



## Paul Jonathan Braun

November 11, 1967 - March 29, 2024

Paul Jonathan Braun, 56, of Dublin passed away March 29, 2024, in his home surrounded by family. He was born November 11, 1967, in Omaha, Nebraska. He is preceded in death by his grandparents Gilbert Braun, Theresa Braun, and Lyndell Smith. He is survived by his parents Kenneth Braun (Joan) and Marcia Smith (Braun); brother Joel Braun (Jamie Black); wife Lisa Braun; children Madison Braun (Lexi Treeger) and Andrew Braun; mother-in-law Barbara Kelly; father-in-law Michael Kelly (Colleen Dougal); sisters-in-law Sheila Davis and Marla Rian (Travis); nieces Michelle Davis, Christina Davis (Colin Kobes), and Riley Braun (Owen Zeiter).

Paul grew up in Medina, Ohio where he was an active member of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. He was involved with the Boy Scouts where he enjoyed earning badges and going camping with his troop. Paul attended Medina High School where he played trombone in the marching band, concert band, and pit orchestra. He met his high school sweetheart, Lisa Kelly, in 1984. They started dating shortly after and were married in October 1992.

Paul graduated from THE Ohio State University where he studied chemical engineering. He achieved the status of Professional Engineer in 1994. He worked for several years out in the field before moving to his career at the Ohio EPA. Paul was a lifelong Cleveland Sports fan and Ohio State Sports fan! He never missed watching an OSU football game. Recently, he

developed a love of women's basketball and enjoyed being a season ticket holder at Ohio State.

Paul became a dad in 1996 with the birth of his daughter, Madison, and again in 2000 when his son Andrew was born. He was a loving and devoted father. He was always there to lend a helping hand with all the activities. He attended every sporting event and band competition. Paul was the favorite band dad. He led the pit crew, chaperoned band camp, and volunteered at competitions. Please consider making a donation to the Dublin Music Boosters in Paul's honor.

Paul loved to tell stories. He always wanted to tell people about things he had done, seen, and read about. He was very knowledgeable about so many different topics. He was most interested in historic airplanes and trains. He knew so many facts and loved to tell anyone who would listen. Paul also loved to tell jokes. He was always trying to come up with new jokes. His jokes made his family and friends groan and laugh out loud. He had his favorites that he would tell repeatedly. Paul was the go – to trivia master and all-around general keeper of knowledge.

Paul was a loving and caring man who will be greatly missed by his family and friends. His memory will live on in all who knew him. Even in his final days at the hospital, he continually asked all the medical professionals who came to see him... "Hi! How are you?". His family is eternally grateful for the loving and attentive care of the nurses of Dublin Methodist Hospital and Ohio Health Hospice.

Paul's battle with cancer was much shorter than everyone had hoped. After spending some time in the hospital, he was able to return home for his final days. His family is forever grateful that he was able to pass peacefully in his home.

Visitation and funeral service will be held at RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME AT POWELL, 450 West Olentangy Street, Powell, OH 43065. Visitation will be on Tuesday April 2 from 1-3pm and 5-8pm, and Wednesday April 3 from 10-11am. Funeral service will be Wednesday April 3 at 11am.

# Previous Events

## First Visitation

APR 2. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell  
450 West Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-1471  
info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

## Second Visitation

APR 2. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Third Visitation

APR 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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APR 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

RH

“ I worked with Paul at Ohio EPA and got to know him while he assisted us with our program's rule review process. My prayers go to his family as they suffer this loss.

Richard Huddle - April 05, 2024 at 09:17 AM

TM

“ Paul was such a nice soul and a very pleasant guy to work with over the years. Very sad condolences from his pals at EPA in Chicago

-Tony Maietta

Tony Maietta - April 03, 2024 at 02:18 PM



“ My maiden name is “Braun,” and whenever someone new at Ohio EPA learned that about me, the first thing they would always ask is if I was related to Paul! We started referring to each other as “the other Braun.” Rest easy friend.

Michelle Mountjoy - April 03, 2024 at 12:08 PM

PG

“ So many wonderful childhood memories of Paul! I was heartbroken to hear of his passing. I pray that the peace and hope of the resurrection surrounds the entire Braun family.

Poison Girl - April 02, 2024 at 10:08 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.*



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April 02, 2024 at 04:32 PM



“ *What a great sense of humor Paul had! Met him a year ago when he started attending my exercise classes. He was trying to work on his health and wellness. He always had the class laughing and smiling! Thinking of Lisa and her family during this very difficult time.*  
*Laura Santagata*

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**Laura Santagata** - April 02, 2024 at 02:41 PM



“ *Your HEA family purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.*



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**Your HEA family** - April 02, 2024 at 02:13 PM

KN

“ I worked with Paul at EPA and he brightened up my day every time he came in the door. He shared knowledge, bad jokes, and sketchy opinions on my music choices with his warm good humor. He loved to share the latest news on his kids (his pets, too) with great pride. Band camp was a pinnacle of fun for him each year. I know I will miss him and I can't imagine the whole he will leave in your lives. So sorry for your loss.

*Kelly Nichol*

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**Kelly Nichol** - April 02, 2024 at 09:49 AM

JH

“ Justin and Ali Horvat purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.



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**Justin and Ali Horvat** - April 02, 2024 at 08:27 AM

MM

“ Muhammad Mereb planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Jonathan Braun.

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**Muhammad Mereb** - April 02, 2024 at 07:48 AM

BS

“ Ben and Laurie Sutandar purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.



Ben and Laurie Sutandar - April 01, 2024 at 07:53 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.



April 01, 2024 at 07:47 PM

LF

“ Linda and Patrick Ford planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Jonathan Braun.

Linda and Patrick Ford - April 01, 2024 at 07:47 PM

LL

“ Love Jim, Sandy and Nicole Lyson purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.



Love Jim, Sandy and Nicole Lyson - April 01, 2024 at 05:07 PM

JB

“ Paul and his brother were great were great adventure buddies with my two sons in their pre-teen years. It was a joy to all of us when they became step-brothers in 1996.



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**Joan Braun** - April 01, 2024 at 05:02 PM

DP

“ My deepest sympathies for your loss. I worked at Ohio EPA and always enjoyed Paul's sense of humor. I don't think I ever saw him without a smile on his face. He will be missed.  
-Dina

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**Dina R Pierce** - April 01, 2024 at 01:59 PM

AT

“ Anjelica M, Jacob H, Krista T purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.



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**Anjelica M, Jacob H, Krista T** - April 01, 2024 at 01:52 PM

AN

“ Arunee N. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Jonathan Braun.

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**Arunee N.** - April 01, 2024 at 12:41 PM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.



April 01, 2024 at 12:41 PM



“ Dave Haas and Steve Rebhan purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.



Dave Haas and Steve Rebhan - April 01, 2024 at 11:02 AM



“ Dave Haas and Steve Rebhan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Jonathan Braun.

Dave Haas and Steve Rebhan - April 01, 2024 at 11:02 AM



“ Lisa and families, I worked with Paul at Ohio EPA in D.A.P.C. and he held a very; important role in our department. He was very dedicated in his work. He was a very sweet and gentle soul. I loved our conversations and I know how much he loved his family. I will miss his jokes. Sending prayers and may God comfort you during this difficult time.



Sandy Capozziello - April 01, 2024 at 10:29 AM

D8

“ Dublin Girl Scouts 893 purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.



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Dublin Girl Scouts 893 - March 31, 2024 at 07:59 PM

D8

“ Dublin Girl Scouts 893 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Paul Jonathan Braun.

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Dublin Girl Scouts 893 - March 31, 2024 at 07:59 PM

BJ

“ Bart, Suzie, Joey and Jake purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.



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Bart, Suzie, Joey and Jake - March 31, 2024 at 05:09 PM

KE

“ I'll never forget how amazing Paul was. I had the honor of being friends with his daughter from elementary thru high school. I'll always remember how eager he was to help out in anyway at band camp and with the marching Band in general. If you ever needed a laugh or someone to help forget your troubles, Paul was always right there. He will be truly missed.

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katie edwards - March 30, 2024 at 08:27 PM

KH

“ I had the pleasure of knowing mr. Braun when I was in Dublin Jerome High School’s marching band. He was always such a light and a jokester when ever I saw him. Even after I quit marching band and joined the photography team with my dad, we remained close friends. I will always remember his smile and his jokes which would always make everyone laugh. He was such a kind spirit and became a father to everyone in the band. Sending all my love and prayers to the Braun family and all who knew him.

Kyra Hanes - March 30, 2024 at 07:53 PM

GB

“ I had the pleasure to know Paul when I was a part of the Dublin Jerome marching band with Madison and Andrew. He was as dedicated as any parent to making sure we had everything we needed to be comfortable during band camp and all of our shows. His family has my thoughts and condolences.



Garrett Brown - March 30, 2024 at 07:48 PM

TK

“ Tim, Sue, Paul, Mark and Kathie purchased the S imply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.



Tim, Sue, Paul, Mark and Kathie - March 30, 2024 at 03:25 PM

DM

“ *Darin, Dorene, Carey, & Katie Moore purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.*



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**Darin, Dorene, Carey, & Katie Moore** - March 30, 2024 at 02:49 PM

TB

“ *I worked with Paul for many years in DAPC. He was an all around great guy and pleasure to be around. I am very sorry to hear of his passing.*

*My condolences and 🙏🙏🙏 for Paul and his family.*

*Tom Buchan*

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**Tom Buchan** - March 30, 2024 at 02:21 PM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



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**Christen Reddig** - March 30, 2024 at 11:05 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Paul Jonathan Braun.*



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March 30, 2024 at 06:44 AM



“ *This is so hard to believe! It's been quite some time since I heard Grandma Braun say, "Meet you at Gate 7!" I think it was 7... Anyway, it's comforting and uplifting knowing Paul is now with your grandparents in Heaven! 💙💙*

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**Stacy Knox** - March 29, 2024 at 09:49 PM



“ *Too many to list. I don't remember a time when I didn't know you. Stomping through the creek, in the woods. Setting off bottle rockets on the back porch. Catching lightning bugs. Card games. Loud dinners at "the kids table". Spitballs in confirmation class. A really long bus trip to Texas, with broken air-conditioning. Calls to you when electric things broke, and you telling me to throw it away, so I wouldn't burn down the house after I "repaired" it. So many more. There will be a giant, goofy, loving, blonde hole in my life where you should be.*

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**Dawn Zurell** - March 29, 2024 at 08:15 PM