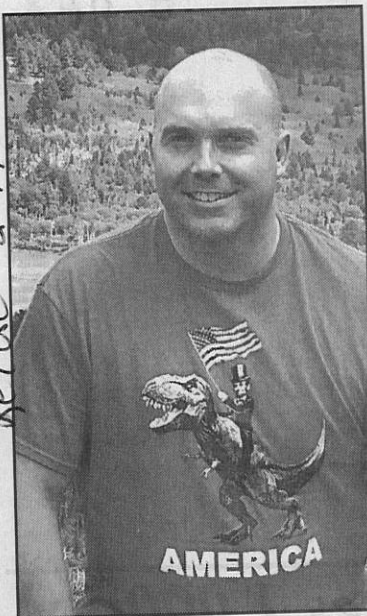


Obituaries

BRANDON RUOPP

Oct. 27, 1982 - Feb. 3, 2022



Brandon Ruopp, 39, of Marshalltown, passed February 3. Services were held February 12, at Central Christian Church, Marshalltown with burial to at Riverside Cemetery.

Brandon was born October 27, 1982, the only son of Wade and Patricia (Rash) Ruopp in Marshalltown. He was raised in rural Marshall County with his older sister, Brandy. He was graduated from East Marshall High School in 2001 as class Salutatorian. He had a passion for his studies and enjoyed playing football and wrestling as a Mustang.

He continued his education at Simpson College in Indianola where he played football for one season, studied abroad in Germany, and triple majored in Criminal Justice, Political Science, and German.

Upon graduating Magna Cum Laude in 2005, Brandon enlisted as an Airborne Infantryman in the Army. He subsequently broke his ankle in an Airborne training landing, cementing a change in his first duty station to Fort Polk, Louisiana - a stationing he long lamented due to the outrageous heat and humidity.

He continued his Army career at USAG Yongsan, South Korea in Seoul - where he served on the United Nations Command Honor Guard and performed other duties that he had many fond memories of. During his assignment in Korea, he decided to pursue a long-held ambition to study law and found a location to take the LSAT in Korea. He completed his tour in South Korea and briefly transitioned to the Individual Ready Reserve prior to accepting a position with an Army Reserve unit in Davenport, as a drill sergeant, a position that allowed him to continue his military service while

he attended law school. He earned the Distinguished Honor Graduate at Drill Sergeant school and was sent to one of his first assignments supporting a deploying unit in Omaha, Nebraska. During this assignment, he met his wife who was serving as the Mobilization and Training NCO for the supported unit. The two started dating on June 14, 2009, and wed the following year on June 14, 2010 while his wife was home on leave in the middle of a two year tour in Iraq. The date was also the anniversary of his entry to active duty in 2005 and is also observed as Flag Day - a date that made it easy for Brandon to never forget their anniversary.

Brandon continued his military service until 2011 and shifted his life focus to the study of law and family. He clerked at Moore, McKibben, Goodman & Lorenz in the summer of 2011 and joined the firm as an associate in 2012 after obtaining his Juris Doctorate with Distinction at the University of Iowa and successful completion of the Bar Exam.

Brandon and Jeana moved to Marshalltown and learned shortly thereafter that they were expecting their first child. Dane arrived in 2013, followed by Madison in 2014, some pregnancy losses, and Morgan in 2017 - the same year that he was named a partner in his firm. One of his greatest joys in life was his children - he took great pride in their intellect, spirit, and individual personalities. He loved to read to them, take long walks, long drives, adventures to the playground, Sunday afternoon library dates, and take them to church where he would sometimes lead Sunday School. He had great ambitions for each of his children and their paths in life. In the last year of his life, Brandon loved watching and helping Dane grow as a football player and wrestler and was starting to embrace life as a dance dad to Madison and Morgan.

Brandon was also a proud cat dad, having slowly embraced the five cats that his wife had brought into their marriage. He especially adored "his" beloved Calico cat, Nubi. Nubi was his feline companion into his final moments at home, refusing to leave his side. He loved to share stories about his cats - especially Nubi, share "cat parenting" tips and litter recommendations to his friends and gave his wife cards for every anniversary and birthday with his hand drawn illustrations of Nubi. He also had the joy of regular companionship with the family English Shepherd over the last year and a half of his life and loved taking long walks to decompress after long days of work.

Brandon is survived by his wife Jeana, three young children; Dane, Madison, and Morgan, parents; Wade and Patricia (Patty) Ruopp of Marshalltown, sister and brother-in-law; Brandy (Sean) Buell of La Mirada, CA, three nieces; Eden, Sage, and Ailin Buell; grandmother; Pauline Hess of Richmond, MO; mother-in-law; Janet Goswick, brothers in law; Brandon and Donald Goswick; extended family and friends. He was preceded in death by his grandparents; James (Jim) and Shirley (Ewoldt) Ruopp, grandfather; Ernest Rash, and cousin; Ryan Ruopp.

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Brandon Ruopp, 39 of Marshalltown, passed away February 3, 2022. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m., February 12, at Central Christian Church in Marshalltown. Visitation will be 5 to 7 p.m. with a 7 p.m. Masonic service February 11, at Anderson Funeral Homes in Marshalltown. Online condolences may be sent to www.anderson-fhs.com Further arrangements are pending.