



## Bradley Guy Roberts

January 26, 1958 - November 13, 2016

As he had for nearly every Sunday for the past 15+ years, Bradley Guy Roberts began November 13, 2016 just like any other. Approximately 14 hours later and after a full day of service to His Lord and Savior, something he committed his life to, His heavenly Father called Bradley to his eternal home among the saints of all the ages. There to welcome him were his parents, William and Marie Roberts, his spiritual mentor, Herbert Meharg, and countless brothers and sisters in Christ whom he impacted over the course of his 58 years on Earth.

On this side of eternity, Bradley left behind his beloved wife, Debbie, of 37 years, two sons, Wesley and Ashlee Roberts, Brent Roberts, two grandsons, Brendan and Nicholas Roberts, a granddaughter, Maddy Roberts, his older brothers Owen (Rhonda) Roberts and Troy (Debbie) Roberts all of Bald Knob, and numerous nephews, nieces, and friends.

Born on January 26, 1958, Bradley spent his life serving others, and had three great loves: his family, his school/community, and his church. Over the course of his 58 years, he used his many God-given talents to influence the lives of thousands in all three areas.

For 34 years in education, the last three of which he served in his dream role of superintendent of Bald Knob Schools, Bradley devoted his life to serving students. As a math teacher, curriculum coordinator, and now administrator, he touched the lives of countless individuals. From the opening football game to state championship softball games, Bradley rarely missed a Bulldog activity,

and one of his greatest joys was seeing both past and present Bulldogs succeed both on and off the field. He truly bled blue and white, and the Bald Knob School system and community mourn his passing.

Despite holding a full-time job, Bradley was equally devoted to his faith and service to the Lord. Whether it was his 20-year calling at Budd Creek Baptist Church Camp, where he spent the vast majority of that time as superintendent, or with his long-time congregation of Independence Missionary Baptist Church, Bradley truly loved his calling. In March of 1980, Bradley and Debbie stepped out by faith and first began their ministry in Pleasant Plains. Little did they know that 38 years later, his final day on this side of eternity would be worshiping with the people who meant the most to him. Whether it was serving the youth, spreading God's word through his weekly sermons and lessons, or leading the church through what others may have seen as impossible building projects, Bradley loved every single minute at Independence. In a few weeks, his final project--the new sanctuary--will officially be finished but his impact on that Church will last a lifetime.

Without a doubt, Bradley's most beloved possession was his family. In this hour of grief, his adored wife, sons, and grandchildren hurt, but because of his leadership and guidance, they also have a hope beyond comprehension. The family vacations, the long road trips to ballgames, and the lively dinner conversations--these memories will last a lifetime. And, one day, they look forward to a glorious reunion.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that if you are considering a memorial, please send donations to the Independence Missionary Baptist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 296, Pleasant Plains, Arkansas 72568.

Visitation will be Tuesday from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Powell Funeral Home in Bald Knob. Services will be Wednesday, November 16, 2016, 2:00 p.m., at the Independence Missionary Baptist Church. Interment will follow in the Goad Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Powell Funeral Home Bald Knob-Judsonia. [www.powellfuneralhome.net](http://www.powellfuneralhome.net)



# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **15**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Bald Knob)

1272 Highway 367 North

Bald Knob, AR 72010

(501) 724-3201

[baldknob@powellfuneralhome.net](mailto:baldknob@powellfuneralhome.net)

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## Service

NOV **16**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Independence Missionary Baptist Church

7908 Batesville Blvd

Pleasant Plains, AR 72568

## Interment

NOV **16** (CT)

Goad Cemetery

Siler Road

Bradford, AR 72020

# Tribute Wall

PH

“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Bradley Guy Roberts



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**Powell Funeral Home** - November 14, 2016 at 12:44 PM

AG

“ I remember Bro. Bradley so well from my many years at Budd Creek. He truly put his heart into that camp and took great pride in it. I can always remember him telling us time and time again to pick up and clean up. Keep the grounds clean and have respect for the camp. He was a great Christian man who truly loved the Lord. In am deeply sorry for your loss. Prayers continuing for.his family and friends.



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**Amy Ingle Greer** - November 16, 2016 at 11:20 PM

SD

“ Sincerely, Tony Davis purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Bradley Guy Roberts.



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**Sincerely, Tony Davis** - November 16, 2016 at 04:07 PM

GD

“ To the Roberts/Martin family. It is with a saddened heart that I send this message. I want to let you know that each of you are in my prayers. Brad was a huge staple in family, church, school, and community. You are all an important asset to the community. Brad left such an impact on every single individual that crossed his path. God sends us all that special person to brighten our day. Brad made sure each person he came in contact with were blessed with so much even if it was just a spoken word of encouragement.  
Gwen (Farnsworth) Dodson



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**Gwen (Farnsworth) Dodson** - November 16, 2016 at 09:00 AM

BH

“ Becca Hudson lit a candle in memory of Bradley Guy Roberts



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**Becca Hudson** - November 16, 2016 at 08:55 AM

BH

“ *Mr. Roberts will be missed by so many. I have wonderful memories of High School with him as a teacher of mine! But my best memory was last year at Homecoming and 20th Class Reunion when he gave me a tour since I had not been back since I graduated and he took me around the whole school and You can just tell the Passion he had for Bald Knob and the love he shared. The community will truly miss him but he will always be in our hearts and watching over all of his family, friends and Bald Knob! To the family and coworkers, church members and community. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Becca Alfrey Hudson  
Class of 95'*

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**Becca Hudson** - November 16, 2016 at 08:54 AM

RA

“ *Rastarks57 lit a candle in memory of Bradley Guy Roberts*



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**rastarks57** - November 16, 2016 at 05:09 AM



“ *Praying for you and the family during this difficult time. Brad was one of a kind. He had a heart of gold and it showed. He worked hard for the school district, but I am sure he worked just as hard with every thing he did. We will all miss him, but our precious memories of him will live on forever. May God wrap His arms around you and comfort you during this loss.*

*Don & Sharon Basinger*

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**Sharon Basinger** - November 15, 2016 at 11:13 PM

PS

“ We at Westview MBC here in Searcy pass our condolences to all the personal family and church family of Pastor Brad Roberts .  
Lord Bless you all !!  
Signed: Pastor Dean Smith

Pastor Dean Smith @ Westview MBC, Searcy - November 15, 2016 at 09:14 PM



“ I am sorry for your loss. We are praying for your familythe crew at Mcdonalds and Sillar Swearngin.



Sillar Swearngin - November 15, 2016 at 05:42 PM

MB

“ Mark Bruce lit a candle in memory of Bradley Guy Roberts



Mark Bruce - November 15, 2016 at 05:07 PM

KJ

“ Kim (Moody) Jackson lit a candle in memory of Bradley Guy Roberts



Kim (Moody) Jackson - November 15, 2016 at 03:06 PM

DH

“ I very much enjoyed working with Brad when I lived in Arkansas and worked at Midland Schools. He did an excellent job of balancing his love for students, family, Church, math, community, and sports. - David Hunter

David Hunter - November 15, 2016 at 03:01 PM



“ From the time I was growing up and seeing Brad working at Bone's supermarket to watching him devote so much time to our youth program in town, to being privileged to have him teach both of my children in school, to knowing our school district was in the best hands ever, to our last visit in the drug store on 11/8/16, in which I gave him a cornflake treat I had made that morning. The word GREAT has a new meaning now, because that was always his response when I would ask how are you today Brad? An amazing legacy has been left behind and I know in my heart it WILL LIVE ON thru his loving family and by all of us who loved him soooo much❤️ Sherrie Barrentine



Sherrie N Malcolm Barrentine - November 15, 2016 at 02:47 PM

BP

“ Brad will be missed in the church, schools, community, and family. My prayers and thoughts are with the family and the community. May God wrap all of you with his comfort and grace. Bette Paslay

Bette Paslay - November 15, 2016 at 02:36 PM

KE

“ Our hearts are saddened by the lost of your loved one. He was loved by so many. I'm sorry Keith and I won't be able to attend the viewing or service, but wanted to say, all of you are in our thoughts and prayers. Gods Bless 🙏

Keith and Delia Edens - November 15, 2016 at 12:38 PM

GB

“ Sending prayers to Debbie and the rest of Brad's family. He had such a passion for everything he did and just knowing him made me a better person. I started a prayer chain yesterday across LIMU Nation and the response has been overwhelming. You, your family, the school, and the entire town of Bald Knob are in the thoughts and prayers of people across this nation. As you already know, GOD has you in the palm of his hand.

Gina Bunker - November 15, 2016 at 11:50 AM

GB

“ Gina Bunker lit a candle in memory of Bradley Guy Roberts



Gina Bunker - November 15, 2016 at 10:40 AM

BL

“ BILL,CONNIE And ONYCHA LONG lit a candle in memory of Bradley Guy Roberts



BILL,CONNIE and ONYCHA LONG - November 15, 2016 at 09:03 AM

GR

“ I worked with Bradley when he was at Midland. He was a good man and a great example of what a Christian is suppose to be. He will be greatly missed. God bless.

*Gina Robertson*

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**Gina Robertson** - November 15, 2016 at 08:16 AM

CM

“ Our condolences go to all of the family and friends of Brother Brad Roberts who I have known for over 20 years as an educator. We have worked together on many math committees and attended many workshops. I have had the privilege of him prefacing a revival at my church in Benton several years ago. He was well received and enjoyed by everyone. He will be missed by all who knew him. He was a great ambassador for our Lord who is rejoicing with now. It is peaceful to know that we will be able to rejoice with him in the future. May God give you peace in knowing what a great influence he was on so many people.

*Danny and Charlotte Marvel  
Benton, AR*

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**Charlotte Marvel** - November 15, 2016 at 04:25 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Bradley Guy Roberts.



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November 15, 2016 at 03:31 AM

LS

“ *Brother Brad will be greatly missed by many. Our hearts are saddened by his passing but we have comfort knowing that we will see him again. He certainly had a talent for leadership and truly cared about people and their salvation. Our sincere sympathies to Debbie, Wesley, Brent and family.*



*Rick and Leann Siler*

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**Leann Siler** - November 14, 2016 at 09:25 PM

CA

“ *Camilla A. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Bradley Guy Roberts.*



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**Camilla A.** - November 14, 2016 at 07:41 PM

NR

“ *I am so very sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Brad Roberts. He was such a kind, compassionate man who never hesitated to interact with the current students, but also the students (including myself, who graduated in 1991), from years past. He will definitely be missed. May my thoughts and prayers be with his family, friends, and the Bald Knob School District. Romans 14:8--For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's. I pray a comfort for his family that only the Lord can provide. ---Natasha Thacker Richmond*

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**Natasha Thacker Richmond** - November 14, 2016 at 07:29 PM

JL

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Debbie and the rest of the family, Jean Prince sent out a message on Facebook about Brad's passing. I knew Brad and Debbie when they went to UCA and attended the MBSF there. Brad was a wonderful person then and I know he had a major influence on a great number of people over the years and that he will be missed.

*May God be with you, Debbie and your family.*

*Jim Lewis - Hot Springs*

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**Jim Lewis** - November 14, 2016 at 07:29 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Bradley Guy Roberts.*



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November 14, 2016 at 06:55 PM

WN

“ Gail and I are saddened due to the death of Brad and we are praying for all of the family that blessings will abound

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*I always enjoyed talking and visiting with Brad on different occasions at the bank. He truly was a wonderful person and it was always a joy to do business with him.*

*All those who knew Brad, the Bald Knob School system , the Bald Knob community, his church family, and his lovely immediate family, all will have some wonderful memories to hold on to in the days, months and years ahead.*

*I can only say, "Thank you Lord for allowing me the privilege of knowing Brad Roberts, and for the service he gave over the years to his school, his church, his community, and to his wonderful family".*

*May the Lord Bless you all.*

*Wendell Nier  
The Villages, Florida*

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**Wendell Nier** - November 14, 2016 at 06:54 PM

KA

“ Knew these 2 (Debbie and Brad) when I went to UCA in Conway, AR and was in MBSF. Also attended their wedding years ago. Brad has now gone on to his reward in Heaven and is now with his Lord and Savior. We will all meet again someday when we go on to our reward as well. He'll be missed but in a loving way. Heaven gained a new angel today. Love to you all and prayers for peace and comfort as only God can give you at this time.

*Kim Hancock Aldrich, Hot Springs, AR*

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**Kim Hancock Aldrich** - November 14, 2016 at 06:35 PM

DT

“ Back in 1993 Mr Roberts did something wonderful for me. In the past 23 years I have spoke to him at least once a year to thank him and seek his guidance. He will be missed by so many and that includes me. I do love this man! RIP

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**Dixie (Skaggs) Terrell** - November 14, 2016 at 05:19 PM



“ Garden of Serenity Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bradley Guy Roberts.



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November 14, 2016 at 05:19 PM

RB

“ Debbie we have good memories back to when you and Brad were in Augusta teaching. It has always been nice meeting up with you at ballgames through the years and catching up on you and your family. It is only human for us to wonder why God called him home so young, but thank The Lord that Brad is Home! May you and your family find the comfort, strength, and understanding that you will need in the days ahead.

Love,  
Raymond and Barbara

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**Raymond & Barbara Bowen** - November 14, 2016 at 04:29 PM

TM

“ Debbie and family. I'm so sorry to hear of Bro. Bradley's passing. I so enjoyed being in in his classes and hearing him preach. He was one of the biggest influences in my life. Praying for you all. May

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**Tina McCaulley** - November 14, 2016 at 04:24 PM

KE

“ Brad made every math workshop he conducted for Southeast Co-op an adventure in learning for the participants. Years later many of those teachers are still telling "Bradley Roberts" stories about how much they learned and how much fun they had learning. The TICAL Cadre has lost a charter member that can never be replaced. Bradley Guy Roberts was one of a kind and I will surely miss him.  
Karen Eoff

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**Karen Eoff** - November 14, 2016 at 04:22 PM

DG

“ I loved his ice cream cake and his hot cider. I will never forget him taking his shoes off during his sermon on David and Goliath as he walked around the organ in his slippery socks as he portrayed being the giant. We laughed so hard at a show in Branson when the preacher had the Bible story mixed up and would shout, can I get a big Honnalulu. Lots of laughs but he had a serious side too. He wanted you to be saved and always shared his testimony. Little did we know Sunday night was the last time we would hear it. I am thankful for his and Debbie's friendship and for their love and prayers they have always shown to me.



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**Deb Gray** - November 14, 2016 at 04:02 PM

SW

“ I have known Brad for many years. We first met when we were both teaching high school math. It didn't take long to learn of Brad's character and strong work ethic. He didn't have to tell me that he was a saved believer. He lived it. We had many Bible discussions when we were at meetings. I am so happy that I had the opportunity to call him a friend and more importantly my brother in Christ. Prayers to both his earthly family and to his church family. Jesus told his disciples "Peace I leave with you; and my peace I give you." John 14:27 Lean upon your friends and family, as well as our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We know that Brad is in a better place and some day soon, we will all join him.  
Susie Ward

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**Susie Ward** - November 14, 2016 at 03:41 PM

LM

“ There's too many memories to share but I'm so glad I was at Church Sunday to see my beloved pastor for the final time on this side of eternity. Prayers for strength for Debbie, Wesley & Brent & all the family to get through the tough days to come. Love you All  
Linda & Don Milligan

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**linda Milligan** - November 14, 2016 at 03:20 PM

AL

“ Mr. Roberts, your the greatest man I have ever known. Thank you for loving our kids like your own. You will be deeply missed.



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**Autumn Lindsey** - November 14, 2016 at 02:37 PM

RB

*We do bread as a man of Great Character and convictions. Liked and respected by all who knew him. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family as They Mourn his passing.*

Richard & Sharon Burris - November 14, 2016 at 02:54 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bradley Guy Roberts.*



November 14, 2016 at 02:25 PM

RW

“ *It is with a sense of personal loss and sadness that I was made aware of Brad's passing this morning. I first met Brad about a year ago when I assisted him in preparation for the re-dedication of the school's auditorium in the name of my grandfather, C.C. Hunnicutt. I found Brad to be a very worthy successor to my grandfather, who was the first superintendent of the consolidated Bald Knob School District; and also as successor to my grandfather's extraordinary successor Herman Lubker. As a 1960 graduate of Bald Knob High School, I feel that the school has been most fortunate to have these most dedicated leaders over the years. It is most sad that Brad could not provide many more years of outstanding leadership.*  
*Robert D. Wunnenberg*

Robert D. Wunnenberg - November 14, 2016 at 02:01 PM

PW

“ Wes - I am so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. Bob and I will be lifting you and your family up to the Father in the days and weeks ahead. I pray that you will be surrounded by those who love you and that their presence will be a comfort. It sounds like you have many wonderful memories of your Dad and I pray that those memories will also be a comfort to you.

*Patti and Bob Williford*

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**Patti Williford** - November 14, 2016 at 01:27 PM

MS

“ I had the good fortune to know and work with Bradley for more than 12 years on the TICAL cadre. We will miss his wisdom, warmth, sense of humor and humility very much!

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**Michael Simkins** - November 14, 2016 at 01:11 PM

CS

“ Having only met Mr. Roberts once recently at a TiCal cadre meeting, I don't know him personally. However, in the brief time that I was acquainted with him, I could truly see that he was a great man of character. I will certainly miss getting to know him better. Many prayers are offered to his family and friends. He seemed to be a most genuine, sincere, and loving man.

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**Clifton Sherrer** - November 14, 2016 at 12:50 PM

PT

“ *Debbie, Wesley, Brent and family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and  
prayers are with you for comfort and strength  
in the coming days and weeks.*

*Brad was such a great man. He loved his  
family, his church family, his school family, and his community  
family. He had such an impact on the lives of students, teachers,  
administrators, parents and community members. He will be greatly  
missed by so many people. I always enjoyed seeing him at  
conferences and at school.*

*Phyllis Tucker*



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**Phyllis Tucker** - November 14, 2016 at 12:42 PM

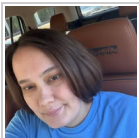
RW

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Brad was a  
good friend as well as family. He will be  
missed dearly. We are praying for your family.  
Rev Rocky & Linda Wright*



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**Rocky and Linda wright** - November 14, 2016 at 11:54 AM



“ *I remember going into his office back in 2011 to join Bladknob  
school. I was drop out then came to mr.roberts and he accepted me  
to join bald-knob and I got to graduate because of him. I will never  
forget this man. God bless his family and so sorry for this tragic  
loss.*

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**Jennifer Worley** - November 14, 2016 at 10:23 AM