

Bradley Todd "Brad" Wyant
September 4, 1966 – April 6, 2016

Bradley Todd "Brad" Wyant, 49, died April 6, 2016, from a heart attack.

Brad was born September 4, 1966, in Sioux City, Iowa, to Ronald and Patricia Wyant. His family moved to Sioux Falls in 1970 so he could attend the South Dakota School for the Deaf.

He graduated from Brandon Valley High School in 1985, where he was the first Deaf student to participate in football and wrestling. He continued his education at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C., earning a degree in art in 1991.



Among Brad's greatest labors of love was authoring two sign language books for Deaf and hard-of-hearing children. His creativity was matched by his generosity and concern for others. His home and heart were open to anyone who needed shelter or a friend, and his loving nature left a lasting impression on those who knew him.

Survivors included his mother and stepfather, Patricia and Arlin "Pete" Simmons; seven brothers, Jeffrey (Kathy) Wyant, Victor (Barb) Simmons, Doug (Janet) Simmons, Christopher (Jennifer) Simmons, Mikal (Sarah) Simmons, Ryan (Amy) Simmons, and Shea Simmons; and his sister, Jennifer Jervik.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ronald Wyant; and his grandparents, Leo and Rosemary Lavinger, Dorothy and Harold Krull, and Jean and Edna Simmons.

A celebration of Brad's life was held April 12, 2016, at Summit Events Hall.