



## Mr. Brenden James Piasta

February 27, 1997 - January 7, 2015

Mr. Brenden Piasta of High River, Alberta passed away on January 7, 2015 at the age of 17 years. Brenden is survived by his mother Shauna; father Rob and brother Greg; grandparents Robert & Ruth Perkins, Robert & Olga Piasta; aunts & uncles Nick, Jennifer, Raymond, Cathy, Kari (Marty); cousin Brant as well as his great-grandmother Doris Piasta. Brenden was predeceased by his great-grandfather William Piasta.

Brenden was born in High River and raised on the family farm outside of Brant. From there he went to school at Vulcan. He began his passion of dance at 6 years old and continued all the way through his life enjoying it to the fullest. He also fell in love with music and took up the bass guitar and was in the rock band as well jazz band. In 2014 he attended Highwood High School and in the short span of his time at Highwood he managed to spark so many friendships and even got selected to be on the Mustangs football team which he was so proud to become a Mustang. Along with music and dance Brenden loved dirt biking and quadding with his brother and parents. Brenden was an aspiring student and wanted to continue his education in the field of chemical engineering.

In lieu of flowers, a trust fund has been set up for Shauna and Greg at the Royal Bank of Canada. Cash donations can be made at any branch (Acct# 06389-003-507-205-3). A dance scholarship fund in Brenden's memory has

also been set up to be given to a Dance Tech student each year. Cash donations are accepted and directly deposited at any Royal Bank of Canada (Acct# 02949-5462759).

A Celebration of Brenden's Life was held on Wednesday, January 14th at 3:00 p.m. at the Highwood Memorial Centre in High River. To send condolences and view Brenden's Tribute Page please visit [www.lylereeves.com](http://www.lylereeves.com) . Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (403.652.4242).

# Tribute Wall

MI

“ *Mia lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**mia** - January 17, 2023 at 12:05 PM

ML

“ *Mia Latta lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Mia Latta** - June 13, 2022 at 12:56 PM

CT

“ *Carolyn Thomas lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**carolyn thomas** - January 07, 2016 at 08:52 PM

ML

“ *Mia Latta lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Mia Latta** - September 21, 2015 at 11:46 PM

RM

“ *RileyRose McGillawee lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**RileyRose McGillawee** - June 02, 2015 at 11:52 AM



“ *Angela Whitney lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Angela Whitney** - May 07, 2015 at 09:56 PM

SJ

“ *I had the pleasure of seeing Brenden dance at Mount Royal a couple of years ago at a competition. I found him outside afterwards and asked if he remembered me from Blackie Kindergarten. He gave me an excited smile shouting out my name! Cool guy ;)*



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**Shelley Boyd Jamison** - April 14, 2015 at 09:15 PM

RP

“ *Happy Birthday Brenden  
Today would have been your 18 birthday.  
Words can still hardly describe how much I  
miss you and how happy this day would have  
been to celebrate your day.*

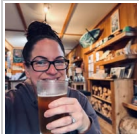
*I know that you will be celebrating your day in heaven with cake and  
all and I add to your cake 18 special candles so that they light  
forever*

*Love Gido*



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**Rob Piasta** - February 27, 2015 at 08:55 AM

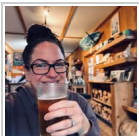


“ *Angela Whitney lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
Brenden James Piasta*



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**Angela Whitney** - February 17, 2015 at 10:57 PM

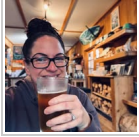


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Brenden James Piasta*



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**Angela Whitney** - January 31, 2015 at 07:36 PM



“ *Angela Whitney lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Angela Whitney** - January 20, 2015 at 11:37 PM

PR

“ *Shauna, my heart breaks for you> Please know you are in our thots and prayers. May the Lord shine on you during these very dark days.*

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**Phyllis Roth** - January 20, 2015 at 03:07 PM

SF

“ *Shelley Davis Forman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Shelley Davis Forman** - January 14, 2015 at 05:07 PM

HA

“ *Hannah lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Hannah** - January 14, 2015 at 04:21 PM

ML

“ *Mackenzie Lackten lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Mackenzie Lackten** - January 14, 2015 at 02:03 PM

TB

“ *Terri Bass lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Terri Bass** - January 14, 2015 at 02:02 PM

DF

“ *Dana Willoughby & Her Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Dana Willoughby & her family** - January 14, 2015 at 12:56 PM

SC

“ *We are so sorry for your loss and are thinking of you all during this difficult time. We will be making a donation to the dance scholarship fund in Brenden's memory.*

*Sarah Chambers, on behalf of all your friends from Endurance Riders of Alberta and TRAC.*

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**Sarah Chambers** - January 14, 2015 at 12:46 PM

MM

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We are praying God will comfort your heart and carry you through this time of great sadness. I did not know Brenden but I know the love, support and care he has been raised in and how loved and admired he was. I pray Brenden's memory will shine upon you daily and give you strength and peace. Hugs



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**Melodie-Joy Miller** - January 14, 2015 at 11:45 AM

JE

“ I would like to extend our deepest sympathy from all the guys here at JJEI Calgary, I have been a colleague of Brenden's father for many years and i have witnessed firsthand the pride and love a father can have for his son, Brenden was a common topic of dicussion around the office and i have seen many photos and videos of Brenden throught the years, we were very saddened to hear of Brendon's passing and our thoughts and prayers go out to Rob, Shauna, Gregg



*Staff at JJEI (Calgary)*

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**jenn** - January 14, 2015 at 11:43 AM

CW

“ I've had many amazing memories of Brenden, he was my first friend when I moved to Vulcan in grade 1. I was really shy and he made me feel right at home. My first memory that comes to mind is when I went to his farm in Brant and we went swimming and played with water guns. Later I watched Jurassic Park for my first time with him but only got half way through before we passed out. I look forward to the other memories shared by others today in his celebration of life, and to see a room filled with people who's lives Brenden has touched.

*My deepest condolences to his family and friends <3*

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**Carly W** - January 14, 2015 at 11:29 AM

CJ

“ Carlee Jensen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



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**carlee jensen** - January 14, 2015 at 10:27 AM

TP

“ Taylor Pujos-Michel lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



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**Taylor Pujos-Michel** - January 14, 2015 at 12:38 AM

TP

“ Trish, Taylor & Rhegan Pujos-Michel lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



Trish, Taylor & Rhegan Pujos-Michel - January 14, 2015 at 12:38 AM

CP

“ Carol Perkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



Carol Perkins - January 14, 2015 at 12:37 AM

AC

“ I spent 2 years helping Brenden decide on his future career goals. Dancing was always at the top of his list, but he wanted a “back-up” plan in case his dream didn’t come true. So he decided Engineering. I thought what an interesting man! We talked about him going to Calgary where he could study engineering by day and then dance at night with a local dance studio. Oh, how I wish, he was going to follow through.

Angela Hill, Career Counsellor - January 14, 2015 at 12:04 AM

OS

“ Orin & Nancy Sand lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



Orin & Nancy Sand - January 13, 2015 at 11:06 PM

EL

“ we only knew Brenden from watching him dance at competitions. He was an amazing dancer and we are so glad to have had the chance to watch him. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and his dance family at this time.  
*Emily and Jane Lizotte (Centre Stage Dance)*

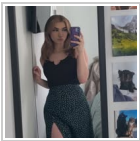


**Emily and Jane Lizotte** - January 13, 2015 at 08:52 PM

NT

“ Deepest sympathy on the heartbreaking loss of Brenden. I did not have the pleasure of meeting him, but my children were in class with him and I know he was a charismatic, hard working, talented young man. Wishing you strength in these dark days - please know that Brenden is held in the hearts of many, many people.

**Nichola Thompson** - January 13, 2015 at 11:10 AM



“ Cecilia Cherry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



**Cecilia Cherry** - January 13, 2015 at 12:39 AM



“ Tamara Thibault lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



**Tamara Thibault** - January 12, 2015 at 04:55 PM

TP

“ *What a wonderful young man! The last 4 years I saw him grow into an amazing human being and a hard working talented dancer. He won scholarships almost every year because his hard work and dedication that showed not only to myself but every other faculty as well. Heaven is truly lucky to have him! He will surely be missed. Sending all my love! x*

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**Tara-Jean Popowich** - January 12, 2015 at 03:16 PM

JF

“ *James Fuller lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**James Fuller** - January 12, 2015 at 01:34 PM

DG

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



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**Darlene Goodwin** - January 12, 2015 at 11:34 AM

DG

“ We knew Brenden through Dance Tech. Brenden had such amazing energy. When dancing, he could make you want to move your feet to the beat or he could bring you to tears. He was a gift we will treasure in our memories.

*Our hearts ache for your loss of this wonderful young man.*

*Jim and Darlene Goodwin*

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**Darlene Goodwin** - January 12, 2015 at 11:18 AM

LK

“ On behalf of the staff and students at Highwood High School, we wish to extend our deepest sympathies to you in the loss of Brenden. He will always be remembered at Highwood for his involvement in football, band and his academic classes. He was a fine young man, so polite and kind, and his presence will be missed.

*Leah Kingston - Principal*

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**Leah Kingston** - January 12, 2015 at 10:26 AM

AP

“ i didn't really know brenden that much but all I knew was that he was a cool. Guy he could be scary he could be fun to be around and he was really smart he had more to live for then me brenden you were kind funny. You had everything I didn't you were brave smart u could make friends really easily without trying you were there for people had talent brenden you are a symbol of greatness

*R.I.P Brenden*

*-Aden page*



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**aden page** - January 11, 2015 at 10:30 PM

SD

“ We miss you so much! The boys miss playing video games with you and listening to you play your bass. Our house is so quiet without you!

*Shannon, Austin and Hunter*



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**shannon dorman** - January 11, 2015 at 08:44 PM

CY

“ Brenden; you are the salt of the earth! As your coach for a short time you reflected the values and the strength of your upbringing. May the good lord bless and keep you in his Kingdom. May you be a guardian angel for your teammates and friends.

*"Forever A Mustang"  
Coach Young*

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**Coach Young** - January 11, 2015 at 05:32 PM

CY

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**Coach Bill Young** - January 11, 2015 at 05:22 PM

SV

“ Stacy&Jane Vollet lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



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**Stacy&Jane Vollet** - January 11, 2015 at 01:16 PM

 Abby Jowett

“ i didnt know Brenden particularly well but i was in band with him. he was very talented and was always smiling whenever i saw him. rest in peace Brenden you will be missed

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**Abby Jowett** - January 11, 2015 at 12:22 PM

JU

“ Dear Brendan's Family,  
I knew Brendan from dance but I never knew him otherwise. My cousins were friends with him, and I know he will be greatly missed. My grandpa just passed away from cancer, so I know what it feels like to lose someone you love. All I can say is that if you lose someone, you can be sure that they will be safe with God in His flock of sheep. I am sorry for your loss and my condolences are towards you as well as my prayers.  
~Julie Baxter



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**Julie** - January 11, 2015 at 10:25 AM

JP

“ Jennifer And Brant Perkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



Jennifer and Brant Perkins - January 11, 2015 at 01:55 AM

KN

“ I did not know Brenden very well or at all but I know people who he was very dear too and I'm Sorry for your loss, We Shall Pray, Rest in Peace Mr. Piasta

Katie Nickerson - January 10, 2015 at 11:41 PM

MW

“ Margaret And Terry Wagman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



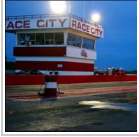
Margaret and Terry Wagman - January 10, 2015 at 10:04 PM

CF

“ Our condolences to the family! The times we saw him at all the dance competitions and when he was in our school, Brenden was such a nice kid. RIP Brenden. Hugs to all



charko family - January 10, 2015 at 09:03 PM



“ So sorry for the loss.... :(



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**Dave McIntyre** - January 10, 2015 at 08:17 PM



“ *The Clement Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**The Clement Family** - January 10, 2015 at 07:06 PM



*The Clement Family*

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**The Clement Family** - January 10, 2015 at 07:08 PM



“ *I remember always fighting with Brendan in kindergarten at Blackie School and then our paths crossed later in Vulcan on the bus rides to and from school. Our condolences to the Piasta family during this difficult time.*

*Al, Monica, Aaron, and Jamie Shaw*

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**Jamie Shaw** - January 10, 2015 at 04:38 PM

RP

“ Rose And Mike Perkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



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**Rose and Mike Perkins** - January 10, 2015 at 03:36 PM

TK

“ Shauna and Rob -I will always remember little 18 month old Brenden toddling around in diapers when Heather and I moved in upstairs. He grew into an extraordinary young man and my heart aches for your loss. Hugs for the two of you, Greg, and your Piasta and Perkins families.  
Christianne  
Sean, Sarah, and Sydney Krassman



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**The Krassmans** - January 10, 2015 at 03:02 PM

CT

“ I was so excited last year when Brenden came on a long trail ride in the mountains with his parents and us, as I knew how special that was for Shauna to have him join us in something so close to her heart. For someone who hadn't rode to much he was like an old pro out there a natural no doubt. I enjoyed your company very much that day Brenden, when your mom and Jim rode off like wild cowboys down and up the hills and your dad way behind you stayed with big and pregnant me the whole time and had we a blast! what a cool dude you are no doubt! No words can express the pain forever felt to family and friends with this loss but the memories are nothing short of amazing and will last forever. All our love and prayers are with you Brenden and your family. Carolyn and Jim Thomas

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**Carolyn Thomas** - January 10, 2015 at 02:28 PM

CT

“ Carolyn Thomas sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



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**Carolyn Thomas** - January 10, 2015 at 02:15 PM

CH

“ So sorry to hear of Brendens passing - may you always have the loving memories of the fun times, laughter, music and dance in your hearts that you shared together.

*Eric, Cheryl, Jesse & Sarah Heinz*

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**cheryl heinz** - January 10, 2015 at 11:39 AM

SP

“ Sandra,David,Ada, Michelle Perkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



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**Sandra,David,Ada, Michelle Perkins** - January 10, 2015 at 11:22 AM

SP

*We were so sorry to hear about Brenden's passing. We hope that the love of family and friends will comfort and strengthen you in the days ahead.*

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**Sandra,David,Ada, Michelle Perkins** - January 10, 2015 at 11:33 AM

KR

“ Rob and Shauna and Greg, our hearts break with you as you struggle through this time. Know so many have you in our thoughts from afar and wish we had so much more to offer than words when we cannot possibly feel or take away your pain.



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**Kelly and Russell** - January 10, 2015 at 03:23 AM

MB

“ Our sincere sympathy and thoughts for the family and friends of Brenden. May you always have the fond memories of all his accomplishments and love.  
Michelle, Brandon and Maelynn Ball

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**Michelle Ball** - January 10, 2015 at 12:58 AM

AB

“ He was always smiling at the studio. He always made me feel safe, comfortable and happy.. I miss that.

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**Amanda Bliss** - January 10, 2015 at 12:16 AM

MK

“ When I was in grade 7 we were the only kids with "awesome" basses, so we decided that one day we were going to have this fancy mock ceremony for them and everyone would be invited

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**Mickey Kiemele** - January 09, 2015 at 10:53 PM

TF

“ We are deeply saddened to hear that Brenden's time with us was cut so short. He was impressive in many ways; we will remember him in particular for his musicality and amazing dance performances. Those who feel strongly and express themselves as so live intense and meaningful lives, no matter how long. His journey continues .... love shared is never lost. Our hands reach out to his friends and family in support at this extremely difficult time.



*The Innes family: Aaric and parents Stuart and Marti*

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**The Innes family** - January 09, 2015 at 10:30 PM

CM

“ Crystal Martinez lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta



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**Crystal Martinez** - January 09, 2015 at 09:54 PM

CC

“ When we spent an entire week at your house playing borderland 2 and going to calgary

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**Cory Comstock** - January 09, 2015 at 09:44 PM

BY

“ *Bernie York lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Bernie York** - January 09, 2015 at 08:45 PM

TD

“ *It was a joy to have Brenden spend time with Gregory and their friends at my home. Brenden always made sure Greg cleaned up and they even ate in the kitchen rather than hid in the basement. I enjoyed watching them outside filming their crazy moves for videos, listening to them laugh while gaming and hearing how they all supported each other while learning and teaching each other new songs on their guitars. Brenden has been a wonderful influence on our family and we are grateful for the time we had with him. We miss him very much.*

*Gregory Greekas and Tammy Dann*

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**Tammy Dann** - January 09, 2015 at 08:41 PM

LG

“ *Brendan & Garret spent many hours jamming on guitars, making goofy videos , even wrecked a bike or two.....so many wonderful memories and such a great friend to my son❤️*

*We will miss you*

*~ Leah Garret & Tristan Gillespie*

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**Leah Gillespie** - January 09, 2015 at 08:15 PM

DY

“ *Debbie York sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Debbie York** - January 09, 2015 at 07:39 PM

DY

*Shauna, Rob, Gregory,*

*I know not what to say to all of you. You all know how I feel about Brenden and his love of dance. We were so very proud of him, he accomplished so much in such a short time. We so enjoyed our day last April and I am so glad we came down for it. Love you all, with you in spirit and soon in person. Know your not far from my mind.*

*Debbie, Bernie, Chris, and Charles*

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**Debbie York** - January 09, 2015 at 07:45 PM

SS

“ *Signature Smiles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Signature Smiles** - January 09, 2015 at 07:00 PM

 Brandi  
Spencer-  
Rawson

“ *My Daughter Emily and I want to express our deepest sympathy and sadness with the passing of Brenden. We always enjoyed watching him and his dance mates perform. He was a very kind young man with so much talent. He inspired so many dancers. He will be greatly missed. Competition will never be the same but we will always remember that gorgeous smile he had. RIP Brenden and hugs to all who knew him, his family and his Dance family.*

*Brandi and Emily Rawson*

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**Brandi Spencer-Rawson** - January 09, 2015 at 06:18 PM

GM

“ *Gordon And Ann Marshman sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Brenden James Piasta*



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**Gordon and Ann Marshman** - January 09, 2015 at 05:15 PM

ML

“ *Always knew how to light up someone's day with that charming smile of his. Love you B*

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**mackenzie lackten** - January 09, 2015 at 04:49 PM

 Alison  
Laycraft

“ *I love how he loved to dance. You could see and feel his passion when he moved.*

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**Alison Laycraft** - January 09, 2015 at 03:57 PM