



Joseph Douglas Baldrige

May 25, 1959 - September 10, 2018

Joseph "Doug" Baldrige was received into heaven September 10th, 2018. He was born

May 25, 1959 to Joseph and Karen (Riddle) Baldrige Kappelman.

Doug graduated from Carlisle High School in Carlisle, IA. and from the University of Arizona. Afterwards, he joined the staff of Athletes in Action, part of the Campus Crusade ministry. He received a Master's degree in Education from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa. He relocated to the Kansas City area and taught school. He later earned a Master's degree in Counseling from UMKC and then worked as a school counselor until his retirement.

Doug fully enjoyed life, was a man of faith and had a dry sense of humor making everyone he came in contact with laugh. He was a lover of all sports including baseball. He especially loved watching his son play baseball.

He is survived by his loving wife of 27 years, Julie and son, Brock. Mother Karen Kappelman and husband Herman. Brother Joel, wife Mary, and their daughters Tabitha, Kelsey (Eric) and Payton. Step sisters, Lori (Randy) Ledger, Terry (Chris) Dunbar and step brother Chris (Kathy) Kappelman. Brother-in-law Brad Young and wife Becky, daughter Juliana and sons Eddie (Sarah) and Joe. He was preceded in death by his father Joe and brother Steve.

Visitation and Memorial Service will be held in the Pleasant Valley Baptist Church Chapel located in Liberty, MO. Visitation will be from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, September 14; the memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 15th.

Fond memories and words of comfort may be shared at: www.CashattFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Glenridge Cemetery - Liberty

120 West Mill Street
Liberty, MO 64068

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **14.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Pleasant Valley Baptist Church
1600 N. 291 HWY
Liberty, MO 64086

Service

SEP **15.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Douglas Baldrige*

October 04, 2023 at 10:39 PM



“ *Dear Julie and Brock, I met Doug as a junior at a UofA geography class. He asked if i can take notes for him and we became instant friends. It didn't take long to realize I was in the company of greatness. We were 20-somethng year olds hanging out, going on road trips around Tucson, Phoenix and Palm Springs. How I enjoyed his warm greetings. His wonderful smiles and his "he he he" laughs. He was one of the first to share his love of Jesus with me. And he was so genuine about being a good friend. And oh those crazy times we'd get mixed up in. He was wise beyond his years. I sure wish we stayed connected since leaving college. My loss for sure, although I so look forward to seeing him one day where we can reminisce of UofA baseball, Lute Olson and hanging out on the Mall on campus. May our Father in heaven bless you both till you re-unite with this amazing person.*

Rich Spinelli (class of '83)

Rich Spinelli - October 31, 2020 at 07:38 PM



“ *Karen and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I have many good memories of you and the boys. Prayers to you all*
Melissa Jackson

Melissa Jackson - September 14, 2018 at 09:37 PM

Angela
Kerr

“ *My heart goes out to your family today, Julie.
You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Angela Kerr



Angela Kerr - September 14, 2018 at 10:16 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for
the family of Joseph Douglas Baldrige.*



September 13, 2018 at 06:38 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Joseph Douglas Baldrige.*



September 13, 2018 at 04:34 PM



“ *Tabby, Kelsey, Payton, and Juliana purchased
the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of
Joseph Douglas Baldrige.*



Tabby, Kelsey, Payton, and Juliana - September 13, 2018 at
01:42 PM

SO

“ *Praying for the family!*

Susan Oliver - September 13, 2018 at 01:19 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Joseph Douglas Baldrige.*



September 13, 2018 at 01:18 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joseph Douglas Baldrige.*



September 13, 2018 at 09:52 AM

KR

“ *My nephew Doug was the bravest, strongest man I have ever known. He showed the rest of us what it means to be a man. He has more than earned his rest.*

Kevin and Keiko Riddle, Tokyo, Japan

Kevin Riddle - September 13, 2018 at 03:48 AM

RS

This is so true

Rich Spinelli - October 31, 2020 at 07:40 PM

CH

“ Julie & Brock, It was our very great privilege to be your neighbors for 12 years and to know Doug for that time. He was always a pleasure, and his smile and upbeat attitude were infectious. We're sad he is gone, sad for your loss. I know we'll see him again, and I look forward to seeing his great smile when we do!

Love,
John & Christine Parker

Christine - September 12, 2018 at 11:30 PM

HS

“ Doug was such a great mentor to me as a teenager. He will be missed. I have a picture of us from my HS graduation that I will always cherish. RIP Doug.



Heidi Tedrow Smith - September 12, 2018 at 10:16 PM

MM

“ Julie, Brock and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Some of my favorite baseball memories were the conversations and laughter we shared with Doug. His humor and attitude was an example of something we should all live by. He was an amazing man and so very proud of Brock and all he was and is accomplishing. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.

The Mehaffy Family

Melinda Mehaffy - September 12, 2018 at 08:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joseph Douglas Baldrige.*



September 12, 2018 at 08:11 PM



“ *Julie Miller sent a virtual gift in memory of Joseph Douglas Baldrige*



Julie Miller - September 12, 2018 at 07:53 PM



“ *Julie and family, I can't begin to express my sorrow upon learning of Doug's passing. I don't have a specific memory of Doug, just that he was certainly an easy person to get to know and love. He was one of the absolute funniest people I have ever known. Of course, the absolute best part of Doug is that he made you, Julie, smile! Please hold on to those smiles, forever. You have both been each other's worlds. I love you, both.*
Julie Miller

Julie Miller - September 12, 2018 at 07:53 PM

FT

“ *from James and Chris Thompson purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joseph Douglas Baldrige.*



from James and Chris Thompson - September 12, 2018 at 05:02 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Joseph Douglas Baldrige.*



September 12, 2018 at 04:34 PM

JC

“ *I write this with a sense of sadness for losing a friend but then with joy as we celebrate Doug's life; even more joy as he is with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in Heaven! What a blessing he was to my life! When I needed a friend he was there. His dry humor was legendary as was his faith. Memories of him will be etched forever in my mind and on my heart. My thoughts and prayers are with Doug's family and friends. James Cox*

James Cox - September 12, 2018 at 04:04 PM

AC

“ I am so sorry for your loss Julie and Brock! May the God of peace comfort you in the days ahead!

Love,
Anne Cardwell

Anne Cardwell - September 12, 2018 at 03:46 PM

SM

“ I became Doug's friend when I answered an ad for him and his family. I grew to love the entire family. I will miss his warm smile. I am so sad. Hugs to you Julie and Brock!!

stephanie moran - September 12, 2018 at 03:38 PM