



## Matthew William Bailes

May 10, 1988 - February 2, 2025

Matthew William Bailes, 36, of Kansas City, Kansas, passed away unexpectedly on February 2, 2025, at his home. Born May 10, 1988, at Shawnee Mission Medical Center, he was the son of Denis and Tracey Bailes. Having his birthday on Mother's Day meant he was always competing for attention with his mom. Matthew's love for wrestling defined much of his life. He was a key member of the state championship team at Turner High School, graduating in 2006, and went on to earn All-American honors at the University of Central Missouri in 2010. He graduated with a degree in business and later pursued his passion for service by attending EMS/Fire School at Kansas City Kansas Community College. Outside of his athletic and professional endeavors, Matthew enjoyed outdoor activities, especially hunting and riding his Harley Davidson motorcycle. He was also a devoted gamer. Matthew worked concessions alongside his mom at numerous Sporting KC, Royals, and Chiefs games. A natural protector, Matthew was known for stepping up for those in need and for his deep love of family. His strength, kindness, and loyalty left a lasting impact on all who knew him. Matthew is preceded in death by his brother, Brian Johnson; maternal grandparents Sharon Franklin and James Hodges; and paternal grandparents, George and Francis Bailes. He is survived by his parents, Denis and Tracey Bailes; sister Ashley Bailes (Chris Peters); half-siblings, Jason and Anna Bailes; nieces and nephews, Dylan, Kameron, Ella, Grace, Sophie, Faith, Chase, and Ava; and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.. A visitation will be held from 9:00-10:00 AM,

followed by a Celebration of Life at 10:00 AM on Friday, February 7, 2025, at Maple Hill Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 7. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home  
3300 Shawnee Dr  
Kansas City, KS 66106  
(913) 831-3345  
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com  
<https://maplehillfuneralhome.com>

## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery created a Tribute Video in memory of Matthew William Bailes*



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**Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery** - February 06, 2025 at 05:25 PM

KH

*This was beautiful ! I have to say in the 12 years I've known Dennis Tracey , Matt and Ashley from the very first moment I was accepted and treated like family and I love you all for that! Matt was a very respectful and kind nephew to me, I loved his smile, darn it I'm going to miss him when I stop by the house. Just know i loved you buddy, you will be missed!*  
*Aunt Kim Hodges*

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**Kim Hodges** - February 08, 2025 at 07:41 AM

AH

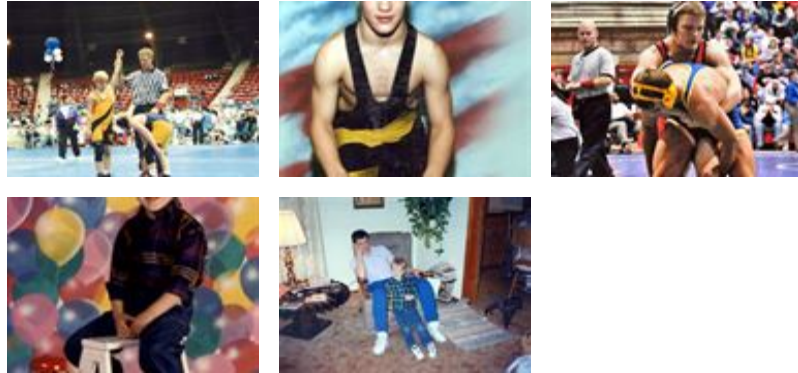
“ *Bailes Family, I didn't know him real well as I only had 1 short week with him to do his Onboard Training here at XPO. But he was very impressionable...smart and willing to get in there to get things done. One of the Get-to-Know-You questions I ask of everyone is "Where is HOME? It might be your current residence or the place you think of fondly growing up?" His answer: "Wherever my family is". We're heart broken for your loss but feel fortunate to have him a part of us, even for just a short time. God bless and comfort you all. Aaron H. - XPO*

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**Aaron Hawkins** - February 06, 2025 at 05:58 PM



“ 368 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Maple Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery - February 06, 2025 at 05:13 PM

MA

“ Mom & Dad & Ashley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew William Bailes.

Mom & Dad & Ashley - February 06, 2025 at 04:15 PM

MA

“ Mom & Dad & Ashley purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Matthew William Bailes.



Mom & Dad & Ashley - February 06, 2025 at 04:15 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Matthew William Bailes.*



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February 06, 2025 at 12:56 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Matthew William Bailes.

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February 06, 2025 at 10:09 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Matthew William Bailes.*



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February 06, 2025 at 10:09 AM



“ *Christine M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew William Bailes.*

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**Christine M.** - February 06, 2025 at 08:16 AM



“ *Mark Van Buskirk and Janice Addams planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew William Bailes.*

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**Mark Van Buskirk and Janice Addams** - February 05, 2025 at 10:28 PM

MA

“ *Mark Van Buskirk and Janice Addams purchased the A Full Life for the family of Matthew William Bailes.*



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**Mark Van Buskirk and Janice Addams** - February 05, 2025 at 10:28 PM

TP

“ *The Purinton's purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Matthew William Bailes.*



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**The Purinton's** - February 05, 2025 at 08:47 PM

AM

“ *My heart goes out to you and your family Tracey. I can't imagine the unbearable pain you are experiencing from your loss. If there is anything I can do to help, please let me know. Keeping you in my thoughts.*  
*Amanda*

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**Amanda** - February 05, 2025 at 08:15 PM

TB

*Thank you Amanda.*

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**Tracey Bailes** - February 06, 2025 at 04:16 PM

AF

“ Aunt Nancy & Snider Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew William Bailes.

Aunt Nancy & Snider Family - February 05, 2025 at 05:27 PM

AF

“ Aunt Nancy & Snider Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Matthew William Bailes.



Aunt Nancy & Snider Family - February 05, 2025 at 05:27 PM

SA

“ Susanne A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew William Bailes.

Susanne A. - February 05, 2025 at 04:34 PM

PC

“ Pamela J Clancy purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Matthew William Bailes.



Pamela J Clancy - February 05, 2025 at 04:24 PM

XF

“ XPO Family! planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew William Bailes.

XPO Family! - February 05, 2025 at 02:23 PM

XF

“ XPO Family! purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Matthew William Bailes.



XPO Family! - February 05, 2025 at 02:23 PM

ER

“ Erik & Rachelle Roither planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew William Bailes.

Erik & Rachelle Roither - February 04, 2025 at 06:55 PM

ER

“ Erik & Rachelle Roither purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Matthew William Bailes.



Erik & Rachelle Roither - February 04, 2025 at 06:55 PM

BF

“ *Barnhill family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew William Bailes.*

**Barnhill family** - February 04, 2025 at 06:44 PM

BF

“ *Barnhill family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Matthew William Bailes.*



**Barnhill family** - February 04, 2025 at 06:44 PM

FC

“ *From your friends at Ceva planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Matthew William Bailes.*

**From your friends at Ceva** - February 04, 2025 at 04:52 PM

FC

“ *From your friends at Ceva purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Matthew William Bailes.*



**From your friends at Ceva** - February 04, 2025 at 04:52 PM

AA

“ Tracey - I was heartbroken to hear about the sudden loss of your son. Please know that my thoughts are with you during this profoundly difficult time.

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**Adam Allmon** - February 04, 2025 at 11:20 AM