



Justin Brent Payton

August 3, 1976 - March 9, 2025

Justin Brent Payton, 48, of Thornton, formerly of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, passed away Sunday, March 9, 2025, at MercyOne North Iowa Medical Center in Mason City. Visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., Friday, March 14, 2025, at Thornton United Methodist Church. Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, March 15, 2025, at Thornton United Methodist Church with Pastor Deb Devine officiating. Justin will be laid to rest at Pleasant View Cemetery in Thornton. Woodley Funeral Home of Thornton is caring for Justin and his family.

Justin graduated from Rockwell-Swaledale High School in 1995. He attended NIACC and served in the United States Army from 1998-2004. While in the military, Justin served in Iraq (he was part of the first group deployed), Afghanistan, Korea, and Belgium. Justin enjoyed spending time with his family, making others laugh with his harmless pranks, deer watching and was a master griller/smoker. He loved his wife, children and family unconditionally.

Justin is survived by his wife, Janeesa (Perkins) Payton; children, Dylan Rios and Andrew Payton; father, Gary Lynn Payton; mother, Belva (Main) Payton; brother, Daniel (Elisha) Payton; nieces, Grace and Lexi Bray (Brody Kuhlemeir); nephew, Cale; and a host of other in-laws, relatives, friends and co-workers.

He was preceded in death by his infant brother, Charles Lynn Payton; paternal grandparents, Donald and Alveeda Payton; maternal grandparents, Earl Main, Delores Main Slagle and step-grandfather Arthur Slagle; and many other family members.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant View Cemetery

130th St
Thornton, IA 50479

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 14. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Thornton United Methodist Church
404 Maple Street
Thornton, IA 50479

Service

MAR 15. 10:30 AM (CT)

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404 Maple Street
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Tribute Wall



“ Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Justin Brent Payton



Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory - March 16, 2025 at 09:37 PM



“ Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Justin Brent Payton



Woodley Funeral Home and Crematory - March 14, 2025 at 01:19 PM



“ The dahleys purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



The dahleys - March 14, 2025 at 10:14 AM

FR

“ from George and Angelisa Rios purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



from George and Angelisa Rios - March 14, 2025 at 08:48 AM

FR

“ from George and Angelisa Rios planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Justin Brent Payton.

from George and Angelisa Rios - March 14, 2025 at 08:48 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



March 14, 2025 at 07:17 AM

MD

“ Maggie & David purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



Maggie & David - March 13, 2025 at 07:45 PM

MD

“ Maggie & David planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Justin Brent Payton.

Maggie & David - March 13, 2025 at 07:45 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



March 13, 2025 at 04:37 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



March 13, 2025 at 03:45 PM

T1

“ The Rockwell-Swaledale Class of 1995 planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Justin Brent Payton.

The Rockwell-Swaledale Class of 1995 - March 13, 2025 at 03:37 PM

FF

“ From your Kasai Family purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



From your Kasai Family - March 13, 2025 at 11:16 AM

FF

“ From your Kasai Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Justin Payton.

From your Kasai Family - March 13, 2025 at 11:16 AM

JL

“ Jim and Suzi Lang purchased the Country Basket
Blooms for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



Jim and Suzi Lang - March 13, 2025 at 03:59 AM

AO

“ Justin was one of my best friends when I first moved to TN. I met
him at Kasai my first job here. He was always honest, kind and very
respectful towards me making this a friendship outside of work as
well. You encouraged me to buy a smoker and never ever said no
when I needed your help. Last time I saw you was on Saturday and
I remember how happy you were about this new chapter and said
goodbye with a hug and a promise we will always be in touch. You
will be so missed buddy.

Antonio Ortega - March 13, 2025 at 01:14 AM

LF

“ Love, Antonio Ortega & his family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



Love, Antonio Ortega & his family - March 13, 2025 at 01:08 AM

LF

“ Love, Antonio Ortega & his family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Justin Payton.

Love, Antonio Ortega & his family - March 13, 2025 at 01:08 AM

LH

“ My two sons, Brad and Greg Cronin, from 1985 to 1989 loved going to Belva and Gary's farm to hang out with Justin and Daniel. Brad and Greg were four and five years younger than Justin, but he treated them so well. We were sad to read about Justin's passing. We will keep all of his family in our prayers, asking God to give everyone strength to get through this very difficult time in your lives. The Payton family will always have a special place in our hearts. Laura Heeney.

Laura Heeney - March 12, 2025 at 11:23 PM

LB

“ Love, Kristi and Bentley purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



Love, Kristi and Bentley - March 12, 2025 at 10:58 PM

YF

“ Your TNC PGR Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



Your TNC PGR Family - March 12, 2025 at 05:22 PM

YF

“ Your TNC PGR Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Justin Payton.

Your TNC PGR Family - March 12, 2025 at 05:22 PM

MS

“ Madison Nuehring & Mariah Steenhard purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Justin Brent Payton.



Madison Nuehring & Mariah Steenhard - March 12, 2025 at 04:58 PM