



Kyle Rilus Fowler

July 10, 1984 - April 25, 2017

Kyle Rilus Fowler, 32, of Evansville, passed away Tuesday, April 25, 2017.

Kyle worked as a bus driver for METS and New Image Travel. He loved working on and driving buses and had worked for METS since the age of 16. Kyle was an amazing artist and had a great sense of humor. He will be greatly missed.

Surviving Kyle are his mother, Jane Fowler; father, Douglas Gadbury; sister, Sunshine Gadbury; daughters, Taylor and Savannah Wolf; an aunt and uncle, Jill and Jerry Fowler; a niece, Emilie Crowley; nephew, Fletcher Crowley and very close lifelong friends, Kenny Godbold, Tom, Cindy, Mike, Patty and the entire Summers family.

A memorial service celebrating Kyle's life will be held at 3:00 P.M. on Sunday, May 7, 2017 at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street. Friends may visit with the family from 1:00 P.M. until the time of the service at the funeral home.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive
Evansville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN

Service

MAY 7. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler*



Pierre Funeral Home - May 07, 2017 at 12:45 PM



Rest in peace Kyle miss you so much happy Birthday to u up in heaven Steve and I miss so much look over your friends and family see you again one day

Stephanie Thacker - July 10, 2017 at 05:19 PM

JJ

“ *Dear Kyle when you died i didn't really understand I was 7 years old now that I'm older I've tried to get over it but its just so hard to just think that I can't call you or talk to you anymore I always visit your grave when we come visit and I will always love you no matter what and when I'm older I'm gonna follow your tracks and do the same job you did and use everything you taught me you will be missed a lot from me and everyone r.i.p*

jj - December 10, 2023 at 05:00 PM

JJ

“ it has been 7 years since you passed and it feels like it happened yesterday I will always love the time we spent together wether is was taking me to school or shopping you will be gratefully missed dad r.i.p

jj - December 10, 2023 at 04:58 PM



“ Kyle Rilus Fowler

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ miss you a whole lot been thinking about you a whole lot watch over your family this christmas miss

Stephanie Thacker - December 23, 2017 at 06:02 PM

YA

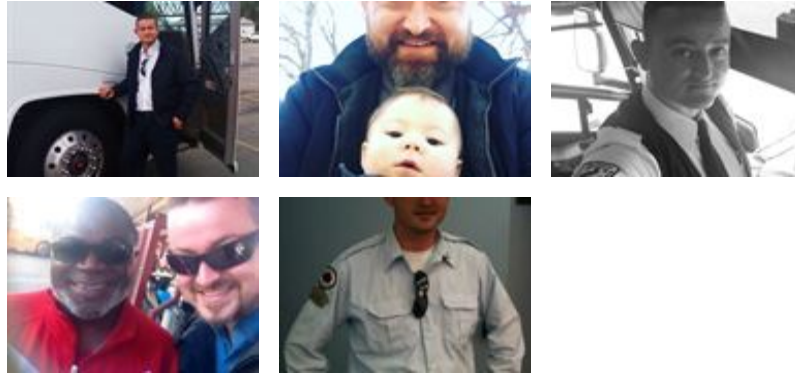
“ You Sharon Abram lit a candle in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



You Sharon abram - May 15, 2017 at 07:23 PM



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Pierre Funeral Home - May 07, 2017 at 12:30 PM



“ you were a sweet person that i meet but i loved your sense of humor and you always picked on me and i wolud say i get you back on april 1 i played a joke on you and thats when i got you back that year was good rest in peace my friend hope you are looking after your family and friends miss you a whole lot since you be gone i miss you everyday since this happened we will see each other again someday

Stephanie Thacker - May 03, 2017 at 08:56 PM



“ Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kyle Rilus Fowler.



May 03, 2017 at 09:23 AM



“ *Matt Kendall purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kyle Rilus Fowler.*



Matt Kendall - May 02, 2017 at 09:38 PM



“ *everyday when i saw you you would always say are you getting red vines for your mom i would say no and you would always asked about how is your mom i would say she is doing fine rest in peace loved you like a brother miss more everyday since you have be gone thanks for letting me meet you stephanie*

Stephanie Thacker - May 02, 2017 at 09:33 PM



“ *Stephanie Thacker sent a virtual gift in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler*



Stephanie Thacker - May 02, 2017 at 09:28 PM



“ Although I've only known Kyle for just about five years, our fast friendship would appear to most that we've been friends much longer. Kyle was the main person that taught me to drive the buses- either at Roberts Stadium or in the parking lot by the CK Newsome center. On one occasion he was teaching me how to back up and park the bus and started screaming and carrying on like I had run over his foot or something - I was all panicked out and nervous and didn't know what to do.. then I hear him out there laughing his hind end off...Really?? Just nerve racking!

I loved how he was always full of pranks and jokes and making others laugh. Although I was the brunt of some of them, I knew he was only kidding around. There wasn't a day that went by that he didn't make me smile. I believe that was Kyle's destiny- to bring joy and laughter to others, and he did it well.

Thank you Kyle for trusting me to be your friend, for loving me like I was your sister, and allowing me to be a confidant. Thank you for trusting me with some of your deepest secrets- I will forever keep them. Thank you for the many memories that I shall never forget.

I pray you have found peace beyond understanding and eternal rest with God our Father, resting in the arms of Jesus. Although weeping may endure for a night, joy- God's joy comes in the morning. I will forever love you little brother...

May His peace be with you 'til we meet again... Rae

Raechele Hawes - May 02, 2017 at 01:45 AM

LS

“ Will miss you Kyle...you are loved more than you knew 😭



Lora scrivner - May 01, 2017 at 07:27 PM

AM

“ I'm still at a total blank space for words..though I didn't personally know you,I'm thankful for all the encounters taking me to my grandsons,you are dearly missed kyle....you made me thankful of what I did have even thru the negative things I'd been thru,you're an amazing person and ima miss you each and everyday. To your family,I'm so terribly sorry for your grief..God apparently needed another Angel 😭



Amy - May 01, 2017 at 07:11 PM



“ you will always in my heart i will never forget u and i miss u kyle my friend it seems very hard that u are not with us anymore love seeing u when u drove the buses each day i rode loved yhour sense of humor u always made me laugh and smile i miss that now miss u very much i have been really sad about this what happened to u when i was told u passed on i was shocked rest in peace i will see u again some day

Stephanie Thacker - May 01, 2017 at 12:19 AM



“ Stephanie Thacker lit a candle in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



Stephanie Thacker - May 01, 2017 at 12:13 AM



“ Kyle you always brightened my day when I rode the bus even when I was at my lowest, your smile always cheered everyone, love you, your always in my heart



Karlette - April 30, 2017 at 01:36 PM



“ i loved having you in my life and now i really miss you a whole lot loved you kyle you will be missed we will see each other some day down the road

Stephanie Thacker - April 29, 2017 at 11:59 PM



“ Stephanie Thacker sent a virtual gift in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



Stephanie Thacker - April 29, 2017 at 09:26 PM



“ i remember when i first met him and his mom when he was a kid and when he drove for unity taxi cab and he came and pick us up for the gorcery store and help us with our bags and i also remember a story about a woman that he told my mom that she put lipstick on like a blow fish and i laugh alot about thatit was really funny and he will be greatly miissed by me and steve we miss u kyle you were a sweet person to be around like seeing your face when u drove the buses

Stephanie Thacker - April 29, 2017 at 09:25 PM



“ James A. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Kyle Rilus Fowler.



James A. - April 29, 2017 at 07:27 PM



“ Stephanie Thacker lit a candle in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



Stephanie Thacker - April 29, 2017 at 06:38 PM

James Elliot

“Gone but not forgotten Kyle. May you now forever rest in eternal peace brother. We will miss you ever so much but we certainly never will forget you as you have touched a great many hearts and minds. You did something that was not easy. you made everyone laugh when they were down happy when they had a bad day and offered advice when they were in peril. We will miss and think of you Kyle.



My God Rest Your Soul.

James Elliot - April 29, 2017 at 06:22 PM



“RIP My friend. I will miss chatting about buses. You will be missed.

Richard Sullivan - April 29, 2017 at 06:17 PM

James Elliot

“James Elliot sent a virtual gift in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



James Elliot - April 29, 2017 at 06:15 PM



“Stephanie Thacker sent a virtual gift in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



Stephanie Thacker - April 29, 2017 at 05:43 PM



“ hey i remember the time when kyle told a story he had to chase someone down when a rock was thrown against the drivers side of the bus he chased down a nineteen year old boy and got off the bus and held him down for the police to get there

Stephanie Thacker - April 29, 2017 at 05:42 PM



“ RIP Brother...Sue Minett, Surrey BC Unifor 111



Sue Minett - April 29, 2017 at 12:53 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Kyle Rilus Fowler.



April 29, 2017 at 12:22 PM



“ Kyle is missed every day by many. He touched many lives through his public position. We all became friends quickly and I still can't believe he won't be greeting us with his smile and a story. Prayers for his family.

Jim goodson - April 29, 2017 at 12:16 PM



“ Stephanie Thacker sent a virtual gift in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



Stephanie Thacker - April 29, 2017 at 09:17 AM



“ Kyle was a very nice man who always had a smile on his face. He will truly be missed. May God sustain the family during this time.

Gayle Rice - April 29, 2017 at 01:02 AM



“ Stephanie Thacker sent a virtual gift in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



Stephanie Thacker - April 29, 2017 at 12:29 AM



“ Kyle was such a nice person. I was always happy to get on the bus and see it was him driving. He always had a smile on his face he will truly be missed

Sonya Cox - April 28, 2017 at 10:57 PM



“ Kyle was a awesome person..he was always there for you even if he was having a bad day. If he was having a bad day you couldn't tell it..will miss him

Lora scrivner - April 28, 2017 at 10:18 PM



“ Stephanie Thacker sent a virtual gift in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



Stephanie Thacker - April 28, 2017 at 09:17 PM

MR

“ Mikeep And Misty Rice lit a candle in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



Mikeep and Misty Rice - April 28, 2017 at 08:52 PM

ST

“ he was a great and kind man and a wonderful person u ever meet im glad i met u and got to know and Steve and really gonna miss u and we will not ever forget u i loved seeing u when u drove the walnut bus

Stephanie Thacker - April 28, 2017 at 07:53 PM

ST

“ Stephanie Thacker lit a candle in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler



Stephanie Thacker - April 28, 2017 at 07:45 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kyle Rilus Fowler.



April 28, 2017 at 07:29 PM



“ Kyle was like my little brother. I will miss him very much.

sharon - April 28, 2017 at 06:20 PM



“ Kyle u will be missed a lot thanks for driving me to see my son alot



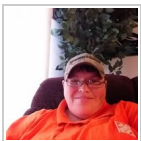
Jennifer Young - April 28, 2017 at 05:41 PM



“ Heaven got a new angel man I just can't believe you are gone I miss seeing you on the bus



Kristine Mitsdarffer - April 28, 2017 at 04:27 PM



“ I remember meeting Kyle when he was young boy. I will truly miss my close friend.

Melissa Zeller - April 28, 2017 at 03:58 PM

ST

“ *i remember when i first meet him*

Stephanie Thacker - April 28, 2017 at 03:13 PM

 Judy-Lynne Feilden

“ *My grandchildren loved Kyle! He always talked and joked with them and made them smile. They are home schooled, so when we'd get on the bus he'd say, "Where's our field trip today"?, or "Looks like I'm driving the school bus today"! He will be missed.*

Judy-Lynne Feilden - April 28, 2017 at 03:04 PM

PP

I AM TRULY GOING TO MISS MY FAVORITE BUS DRIVER IN THE WORLD..HE MADE MY LIFE ..EASY AND HE WAS FUN TO TALK TO HE IS MY ANGEL NOW..REST IN HEAVEN ..MY FRIEND LUV MS. PEACHES..

Patricia Peaches - April 28, 2017 at 03:25 PM

JJ

“ *I miss u daddy! Thank you for teaching me all about buses.
Love u always,
Your son jj*



JJ - April 28, 2017 at 01:07 PM



Whitney
Robbins

“ *Condolences and prayers for peace of mind during this difficult time for the family and friends of Kyle. I rode the bus for several years and Kyle was always fun to talk to and he could keep the bus rides entertaining even in bad circumstances (busses breaking down, wild passengers, etc). I found his knowledge of buses and his enthusiasm for driving buses impressive. Very glad to have known him.*

Whitney Robbins - April 28, 2017 at 12:59 PM



“ *Stacy Alvarado sent a virtual gift in memory of Kyle Rilus Fowler*



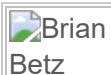
Stacy Alvarado - April 28, 2017 at 12:12 PM



“ Kyle was such an amazing person and friend. It deeply saddens me and breaks my heart that he left us all way too soon. Those that were lucky enough to know Kyle knew he was such a happy go lucky guy with a great sense of humor and personality. I remember a couple of years ago he was teasing a girl on the bus. He told her I was his sister and I was going to "get" her if she didnt leave him alone. He ofcourse was joking with her but she believed his story and from then on he was my "brotha from anotha motha" lol. Gosh, I could go on and on about his tales but again, those who knew him knew all about them. I am so Blessed and lucky to have had him as my friend, my brotha. I will never forget our talks, our jokes, our laughs, or his smile.

My heart completely breaks for his family. I pray that God will give all his family and friends comfort and peace. Until we met again "brotha", I love you, will miss you always, and will never forget our memories. Fly high and rest easy my friend

Stacy Alvarado - April 28, 2017 at 12:01 PM



“ Nephew - You were taken from us far too soon. It saddens my heart that you'll never be able to grow old and wistfully reflect on your many years driving buses, or tell your grandchildren your many wonderful stories. Ever since you were a toddler, you wanted to be a bus driver, and you lived your dream. How many people can say they've done that? Please watch over your mom from heaven and may your soul find peace. Love, Uncle Brian .

Brian Betz - April 28, 2017 at 10:50 AM



“ We met Kyle through his mom Jane. He was a very kind and generous person. God bless his family.

John and Mary Kistler - April 28, 2017 at 10:38 AM

AS

“ Last night I was trying to think of my favorite Kyle memory, and I just couldn't. They are all my favorite. Never have I met someone with such a kind, silly, genuine heart. Everyone who knew him can attest to the fact that he would go out of his way, no matter what, to make sure those around him were happy and laughing. Kyle never met a stranger and always made others feel comfortable and welcomed. Not only was he a friend, he was family. Through all the sadness and unanswered questions, I know you are rejoicing in being reunited once more with Mary. We love you and miss you dearly, buddy.

Ashley - April 28, 2017 at 07:56 AM

JC

“ I came down to Evansville from the Fort Wayne area several times, and always made a point to hang out with Kyle on his bus. We always had a good time and he was so inviting and personable. I considered him a good friend and he will be truly missed. My deepest condolences to family and friends.



Joseph Chemerys - April 27, 2017 at 10:33 PM



“ I'm truly sorry. Anybody who knew Kyle lost a really good guy. I have ridden the bus for years, and he and I became buddies pretty early on. We always joked with each other. I'm sure he's up ther waitin for all of us.

Brent Hunter - April 27, 2017 at 09:32 PM

JJ

“ *Our Deepest Condolences to 'ALL' of Kyle's Family and Friends.*

There are no words to describe the hurt and sadness of the sudden passing of Kyle.

Take comfort in knowing that Kyle is in the Kingdom of Heaven where he will rejoice in the Light of God's face and all his tears and pain will be wiped away.

With the Blessing of God we will one day be reunited with Kyle.

<https://youtu.be/hh9AEiK7lkg>

With Deep Sympathy and Love,

James & Juvelita Johnson

Vancouver, B.C., Canada



James & Juvelita Johnson - April 27, 2017 at 09:07 PM

KY

“ *Sending you condolences from Michigan. The Motorcoach Industry family lost a great member. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Kyle - April 27, 2017 at 08:26 PM



“ Kyle and I met when I was a youth minister. He and I got along great and became my only driver. Since then he and I became friends and he we had great memories. I will miss my friend and wish I connected with him more. Many blessings and prayers for his family.

Joe Hardesty - April 27, 2017 at 08:21 PM



“ My sincerest condolences go out to Kyle's family and friends. He will be greatly missed in the Motorcoach industry. A true gentleman.

Willie Cousin Jr. - April 27, 2017 at 07:41 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Cindy - April 27, 2017 at 07:37 PM

AT

“ I will remember Kyle as a loving family man. While we talked about our shared love of Buses and the Industry in general we also used to kid around about going to the same Seminary School, that he was just a few classes ahead of me in becoming a Reverend.

We also discussed family issues in general and all he could talk about was how much he loved Savannah, Taylor and JJ like they were his own creations. How JJ would sit in the drivers seat of a Ne Image coach and knew the make and model.

God had a special plan for you and we as his humble servants must not question his motives.

Angel and Becky Tollens



Angel Tollens - April 27, 2017 at 07:35 PM

SH

He was very proud of jj knowing all that he knew about buses at such a young age. He taught jj everything about buses.

shannon - April 29, 2017 at 11:12 AM

SM

“ *The world has lost a gentleman and a scholar. Kyle Fowler was a kind and caring soul. I encountered Kyle daily through my Mets bus rides across the city of Evansville. On one of these trips my keys which contained a pouch that I carried my life in (ID, cash, etc) was swiped from me. Thankfully Kyle was driving the bus that day. He got off the bus at the stop I got on at to look for them. He radioed the driver on the adjacent route to have them look as well. Let me ride his route around a couple of times so I could retrace my steps and make sure I was able to get home as I didn't have a \$1 to my name. Thank you Kyle's family for sharing Kyle with us. Rest in peace Kyle. I will miss you.*

stephanie murphy - April 27, 2017 at 07:20 PM

RP

“ *My condolences to you and the family may you rest in peace. I'm still at shocked that you have passed away you all of a sudden always loved the work you did with the model buses as well as how happy you were with your friends and family just wished we would of met one day in person whenever I made the trip down or if you made a trip on up but again RIP Kyle you will always live in the lives of those who you love and the lives that you have impacted*

Randy Puello - April 27, 2017 at 07:15 PM

 Clint
Mckibben

“ *It still doesn't seem real. The best part about you that I got to experience was that we shared the same sense of humor. It's hard to imagine the rest of existence without you being there at all the lunches and holidays and just whenever you came over. Wherever you are now, I hope you can see how many ppl already miss you. Love you brother.*

Clint Mckibben - April 27, 2017 at 07:07 PM

NA

“ My condolences to the family and friends of Kyle Fowler. He was a good, caring and generous guy. A very sad time, but at the same time, know that he is no longer suffering 🙌🙌

Natalie - April 27, 2017 at 06:44 PM

Trevor
Logan Jr.

“ Me and Kyle first met through our love of a certain bus model and our friendship grew from there. Always bright, happy and just an all around good guy. I'm going to truly miss Kyle.

-Trevor
Bronx, NY



Trevor Logan Jr. - April 27, 2017 at 06:32 PM

KM

“ To Kyle family thank you for sharing him he was a wonderful person he was a very kind person he was always kind to me I pray that God wraps is loving arms around his family and I pray that you find comfort in this God Bless



Kristine Mitsdarffer - April 27, 2017 at 05:17 PM

SH

“ I'm sooo sorry to everybody! Especially sorry to u Kyle! U was a great friend, a wonderful husband, and a terrific father to my kids! I'm deeply sorry for any pain I've ever caused u! I will never forget u!

shannon - April 27, 2017 at 04:17 PM

PP

I AM SO SO SORRY FOR YOUR FAMILY..HE WAS A FAMILY MEMBER TO ME AS A WELL..A GOD BROTHER WHO DROVE ME TO AND FROM MY DAILY LIVING HE WILL BE TRULY MISSED..PRAYERS FOR ALL OF US..

Patricia Peaches - April 28, 2017 at 03:30 PM

DN

I am so sorry for Kyle's Family. It was a pleasure to ride on his bus, He always had a smile on his face. I will miss seeing him.

Debbie Nelson - May 01, 2017 at 09:58 AM