## Brad Gupta's Memorial Service Messages and Memories shared in the chat during the Zoom memorial service

From Jo Sahlin (she/they): The Order of Service for Brad is here: <u>https://www.ouuc.org/memorial-service-for-brad-gupta/</u>

**From Sean Mobley to Everyone:** So wonderful to see so many friends and faces of Brad's gathered here.

From Jo Sahlin (she/they): Links to Brad's "space talk" videos: From Jo Sahlin (she/they): <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GD70SjV8dR8</u>

**From Jo Sahlin (she/they):** MS Forces Day 5 - Expert Talk - YouTube: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K8P61XSwUuA</u>

From Jo Sahlin (she/they): Raghupati Raghav Raja Ram Lyrical Video: https://youtu.be/nITjtcyDgzl

From Alice Curtis: A gentle and welcoming person.

From Richard L. Brandt-Kreutz: A kind face that inspired us all to live with integrity

From Sue Berghaus: Kind, loving, warm, welcoming and a great host.

**From Cheryl and Selden Hanks/Hall:** Brad was very special. We have many many good memories of him. We love you Robin. Cheryl and Selden

**From Mo and Kent:** My name is Kent Canny. My wife, Maureen and I met Brad and Robin at church about three years ago. We want to express our sincere condolences to Robin and all of Brad's family, and thank you for sharing Brad with us. He was a wonderful friend and a kind and gentle man. We shared a passion for aircraft and for space exploration. I attended many of Br. ad's classes on those subjects. I'd like to share a moment from one of those classes with you. It was from Brad's most recent classes given on-line by the Olympia Senior Center. In the second session, Brad was covering aircraft in WWII. As he was going thru pictures of the aircraft and describing them, he stopped at one picture. It was a picture of a long line of young American paratroopers boarding a C-46 cargo plane to be dropped behind enemy lines the night before D-day. Brad began to tear up. He apologized to us for getting emotional. He said it was scenes like this that made him so proud of his adopted country, so proud to be an American.

**From Lee Doyle:** The first person spoke with in the commons of OUUC was Brad Gupta. I felt instant love.

**From john brightbill:** didn't know Bard as long or as well as some but he was truly special and well appreciated.

From Duane Muller: He was a great teacher. Will miss him very much. A fellow Docent.

**From Sean Mobley:** To say he was one of the kindest people I've meet seems cliché, but the warmth in his smile, the welcome in his eyes, and the richness of his voice truly made everyone who met him feel good.

From John's iPad: Brad reminded me of the importance of love in my life

From Tommy Gantz: He was a fellow docent and we will miss him tremendously!

**From Mike Nykreim:** We will remember Brad's enthusiasm at our family's potlucks and we were always curious as to what he would be bringing.

**From Karen and Jack Jackson:** We treasure our memories shared with Brad at Tai Chi and the amazing tour he gave our grandsons and us at the Museum of Flight. A special soul.

From Julie: Generous and loving and always ready for a laugh

**From davestuczynski:** My life was blessed to know Brad from the Museum of Flight. Brad was always very helpful, kind, optimistic, and he always had a twinkle in his eye. God Bless you Brad. I know we will see one another again. Love you Dear Friend.

**From Otto Buls:** I enjoyed his presentation for Science Café many months ago at Timberland library in Lacey.

**From Joe Joy:** I enjoyed chatting with Brad in the back of the Commons at OUUC and before our Tai chi sessions at the Y. I will miss his smile and quiet manner.

**From Deana Ross MOF**: I volunteered with Dr. Brad, as we liked to call him, on the Museum of Flight Docent Training Committee. He was always kind, funny and so knowledgeable. It was a pleasure to work with him and he will be missed by so many.

**From Parton:** A kind and gentle soul and an inspiration to so many. Rest in peace Brad . . We will miss you.

**From Rebecca Harmsen:** I feel so honored to have worked with and learned from Brad at The Museum of Flight for a number of years. He will always be remembered as an generous, positive, and committed volunteer and a gifted educator. Working closely with Brad in our Speakers Bureau program, I was always in awe of Brad's depth of aerospace knowledge, his enthusiasm and drive to share his love of space with so many, and his ability to connect to groups of all ages. He will be so greatly missed.

From Ankur Agarwal: we are going to miss his presence but his blessings would always be there with us regards Ankur Brad uncle's nephew from India

**From Greg Anderson:** I remember when Brad played the audio of Apollo 8 Christmas Eve message at our Christmas gathering several years ago.

**From Jim & Margaret Knudson:** Thank you for offering tours at the Museum of Flight through our auction - My spouse, Jim, son and grandson loved it. You were always a gentle, gracious being when greeting you at church.

From Indira: A gentle soul. we will miss you Bharat ji . Om Shanti !

**From samy karuppana:** our dear friend Brad, we miss you - Friends from Phoenix Samy and Rajee Karuppana

**From Maureen Lally:** I was a recipient of Brad's chocolates when he gave an excellent space presentation at Olympia Senior Center. I also was a recipient of his warm, opened hearted greeting at OUUC services.

**From Basma Ibrahim DeVries:** We're longtime friends of Robin in Minnesota and only had the opportunity to meet Brad briefly on a visit here and through Robin's stories. Immediately upon meeting him, we appreciated his kind, gentle, friendliness. We loved seeing how happy they were together. My father was an aerospace engineer and as soon as this commonality was shared, Brad had a lot to share with us!

**From Anurag Kanodia:** I am from India and his grandson..my parents and me wishes his soul in peace. We dearly miss him and will cherish his memories forever he shared with our family.

**From Prabjit Singh:** I am Prabjit Singh. Brad and I were batchmates at IIT Kharagpur. We met in 1966 at IIT. We were in the same Hall of Residence at IIT. We both graduated in 1969. Next time I met him was in 1972 in Rochester where I visited with him for a day. From then on we talked on the phone often and in 2020 we reconnected in a big way thanks to ZOOM. Brad's full name is Bharat Prakash Gupta. Bharat is India and Prakash is light, He was truly the LIGHT OF INDIA. He was brilliant. The top student at IIT, the top university in India. More than brilliant, he was truly a loving friend. I will miss my dear friend, BP.

**From Carol Thomson:** I met Brad in April of 2015 when he applied to be a volunteer at The Museum of Flight. He started volunteering in the Education scheduling office for almost one year before he attended the Docent Class of 2016. I witnessed the respect his fellow docents gave him and the strong bond with this group. He touched many lives, shared his experience and knowledge with his fellow docents and with our visitors.

From Harvey & Ada Hawks: A very moving and appropriate service for our friend Brad.

**From Michaela and Wayne:** I had the pleasure of touring the Boeing Air and Space Museum with Brad, Wayne and Gene. What an experience! Rocky put it very well when he said Brad could communicate the most complex information in such a clear and simple way. He was an amazing teacher. I was so happy to be able to have that experience! His eyes really lit up when we were standing next to the Apollo space ship. We marveled at how men could travel so far in such a small capsule. We were both amazed. I will miss seeing Brad at our holiday celebrations. I loved having conversations with him. Wayne and I will miss him terribly!

**From Jim & Margaret Knudson:** Thank you all who put this wonderful memorial together - thank you Brad for making it so easy to appreciate you.

From Lee Doyle she/her: Prabjjit, he became a light in Olympia as well. Thank you for sharing.

**From Owner:** I got to know Brad when he started attending our family gatherings with Robin. One Christmas Eve when we gathered at my house in Puyallup to celebrate Robin announced that Brad had something to share. I wondered what that might be. He then played for us the Apollo 8 Lunar Christmas Eve Broadcast from 1968. Fifty years ago! It was now 2018. It was very special and powerful and something I will always remember. Thank you Brad.

**From Darlene Arndt:** We are so glad we had an opportunity to meet Brad through Robin. He was a very kind & gentle person. We send our sincere condolences.

**From Basma Ibrahim DeVries:** Bless you all. Our deepest condolences to Brad's family. Take care.