

On July 27, our close friend Brett died of heart failure aboard a Frontier Airlines flight. While a tragedy for any family or friend to endure, the shock of this event was heightened because Brett was only 28 years old, he was a collegiate swimmer who broke NCAA records, he was the epitome of health and fitness and he had no prior symptoms of heart problems. Brett's family, including his wife who was traveling with him, believes that an AED on board the plane would have greatly improved his chances for survival. From now on, I plan to inquire about AED availability prior to booking a flight. I strongly support a mandate to make them available on all flights and hope to see progress on this front in the near future.