Brad Fitzpatrick

Bradley Joseph Fitzpatrick (born February 5, 1980) is an American programmer. He is best known as the creator of LiveJournal and is the author of a variety of free software projects such as memcached, PubSubHubbub, OpenID, and Perkeep.

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Early life and education

Born in Iowa, Fitzpatrick grew up in Beaverton, Oregon, and majored in computer science at the University of Washington in Seattle. He started his first company, FreeVote.com, while in high school.[1]

Career

LiveJournal grew out of a journaling program Fitzpatrick wrote for himself as a college freshman.[2][1] It eventually became a full-time job and then a company; in January 2005 he sold it and its parent company, Danga Interactive, to Six Apart, for an undisclosed sum of cash and stock.[2][1][3] He was named chief architect of Six Apart.[4] He left Six Apart in August 2007, moving to Google,[5] and in 2008, after the sale of LiveJournal to SUP Media, joined the LiveJournal Advisory Board.[6] In June 2010 the board was dissolved,[7] ending his involvement with LiveJournal. At Google he was a Staff Software Engineer and was part of the Go programming language team.[8]

In January 2020, Fitzpatrick announced[9] he was leaving Google. Three days later he joined Tailscale[10] as a late-stage co-founder.[11]

Honors

In June 2014, the University of Washington School of Computer Science and Engineering gave Fitzpatrick an award for Early Career Achievement.[12]

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