



Keir D Kimbrough

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Keir D. Kimbrough was born to William M. Kimbrough and Gwendolyn G. (Evans) Kimbrough on December 8, 1968, in Sewickley, Pennsylvania. As a child, Keir loved riding his bike all around town but always knew to come home before the streetlights came on. One day, Keir was out riding his bike when his mother received a phone call from the local police station. They were informing her that her son had become lost while riding his bike and was unable to find his way home. Even as a young, adventurous kid, he was smart enough to know when and how to ask for help. Keir attended Ambridge High School where he played baseball and football. He graduated in 1987 and immediately joined the U.S. Navy. After boot camp, he was stationed in San Diego and went on to dedicate eight years of faithful service to our country.

In 1988, Keir met the love of his life, Cynthia Maria Fowler and on August 19, 1989, they married. During their 33 wonderful years of marriage, they raised two children, Severin “Creemy” R. Gates and Khari D. Kimbrough, in which Keir took great pride. In May of 2014, Keir and Cynthia welcomed their first grandchild, Jordan Mason Gates. Keir loved being a grandfather and he affectionally gave Jordan the nickname “7-11” because he weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces at birth. In turn, “7-11” affectionally referred to Keir as “Pootoo”. The two shared an amazing relationship and a very special bond.

Keir was a great, honorable man. He was a loving son, husband, father, brother, grandfather, educator, coach, friend and was well-respected and loved by all who met him. He always brought his family together with his huge heart, unconditional love, jokes, and advice. His favorite past times were fishing, cooking, riding his E-bike, walking his dog and loyal companion, Nova Rose; and working out at the gym. Keir was a die-hard Pittsburgh Steelers fan (black and yellow) who had the uncanny ability to convert others into Steelers fans as well (and those of you know who you are)!



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Keir or “Coach Kimbrough” as he was called, coached football for 30 years. He coached the Balboa Raiders Youth Football, San Diego High School, Tecos Football in Tijuana and most recently Point Loma Youth Football.

In Keir’s professional career, he spent over 20 years working with San Diego Unified School District, the Education Center, Gompers Middle School, and San Diego High School. Keir worked for the University of California San Diego as a PACE Continuing Medical Education Coordinator. A job he truly enjoyed and excelled in.

Keir was an inspiration and touched many lives both young and old. He was a thoughtful, caring, and giving man with a sense of humor that was unmatched. He was also known for giving nicknames that well-suited those whom he met. It is evident that he will be forever missed; yet never forgotten, due to the influence he made on his family, friends, and the community.

Keir was predeceased by his father, William Kimbrough and leaves to cherish his memory his beautiful wife, Cynthia; his sons, Creemy and Khari; his grandson, Jordan “7-11” Gates; his mother, Gwen “Ma Dukes”; his sisters and their husbands, Kimberly Thomas (Joseph), Alisha Florence (Willie), and Lois Kimbrough; his brothers and their wives Mark Kimbrough (Sherrie), Curtis Brazil (Nicole), and Jeffery Delai (Toya); and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

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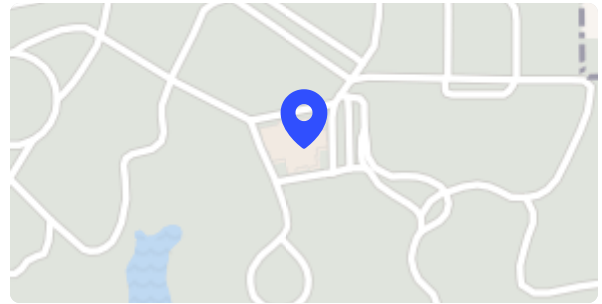


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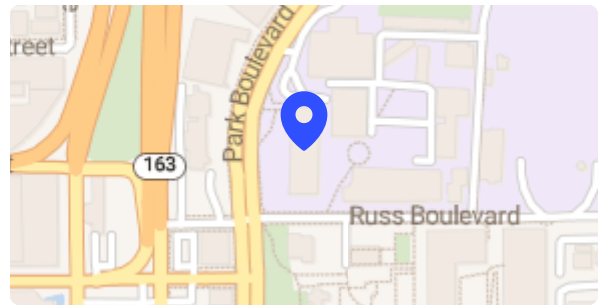
Funeral Service with Navy Honors

- Friday**, November 25, 2022
- 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM PT
- Garden Chapel at Greenwood**
4300 Imperial Ave., San Diego CA 92113



Celebration of Life

- Saturday**, November 26, 2022
- 4:00 PM PT
- San Diego High school**
1405 Park Blvd, San Diego CA 92101
- On the Football field





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EL

Elaine Lebherz posted:

Keir Kimbrough was my grandsons coach just before his passing. I remember my daughter, in San Diego, saying Aiden's coach is from Ambridge, PA big Steelers fan! I grew up in Aliquippa Pa so I get it! I had the pleasure of meeting Keir when he was Aiden's coach. Whatever the players Keir coached achieve I believe they will always respect and cherish him being their Coach even if for a short time. God Bless!

September 20 at 2:58 PM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Kimbrough family.



January 3 at 11:42 AM

QQ

Queenetta (Queen) posted:

I met Keir in Nov 1988. He was a light in this dark world. He always has a smile and something funny to say. He became my brother when we first met and over the years had occasional conversations. I love you little bro. I'm sure gonna miss you. I keep up Cyncyn. Rest Easy Till We Meet Again! ♥♥

November 26 at 4:05 PM

KL

Kristal Leal posted:

Keir....what a special individual. He was naturally kind, accompanied by an irresistible smile. His laugh always sounded as if he were being tickled. You could feel his presence from miles away. I knew Keir and his adoring wife Cynthia by means of one of his dearest friends/former colleague. We spent some of the younger years of our lives around this beautiful couple. They were true representatives of togetherness. Keir was respectable & gentle. May God's healing touch provide strength & comfort to his family during this process. I pray for precious memories to be stored at the forefront of your minds with each passing day. Stay blessed and know that you had an MVP that played on your team.

November 26 at 11:39 AM

MJ

Mo Taylor-Jones sent a virtual gift in honor of Keir.



November 25 at 1:11 PM



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Mo Taylor-Jones lit a candle in honor of Keir.



November 25 at 1:10 PM



Mo Taylor-Jones posted:

"My brother from another Mother", is who he has been to me from day one and has never changed and never will. My partner in crime, has become my guardian angel. I do know that he will watch over me while he rest in heaven as he did while he was here on earth. I love you Bruh and will miss you! God Bless the Kimbrough family and so sorry I can not be there on his homecoming day!!!

November 25 at 1:09 PM



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November 25 at 1:04 PM



Herschel R Johnson posted:

I met Keir back in the early 90s where our boys played football together for the MOBB. We then coached together and had some amazing times. We laughed and shared food. #feedthebeast... we even laughed together that year the Chargers knocked those Steelers out of the playoffs to go on to the Superbowl. We have never lost contact and I was always so proud of his accomplishments as a coach and as a hard working man. We would occasionally chat about the food I ate, being plant based and then would see some Asparagus on the grill with that lobster. He made me laugh. I will definitely miss his play by play on the Sunday games with the steelers... I am still in shock... I love you brother... You take over that team in heaven and teach them that singlewing with an unbalanced line...

November 25 at 9:56 AM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Kimbrough family.



November 23 at 1:25 PM



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Anonymous sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Kimbrough family.



November 22 at 6:04 AM



Selena Calloway posted:

What a Wonderful Tribute! Sending our Deepest condolences and Keeping you in prayer. Love the Calloways'

November 22 at 5:28 AM



Eric T Gibson posted:

Keir was a kind soul with an infectious smile. Who could say anything bad about Keir? It simply can not be done! People like being around Keir. He was the sunshine to counteract a cloudy day. He was the daylight to someone muddled in darkness. It has been many years since I saw him but always treated me with the utmost dignity and respect. Keir knew how to make the moments matter! Simply put when you say the name Keir, I smile immediately comes to your face. God bless Keir and his loving family.

November 21 at 4:32 AM



Kristal Leal November 26 at 11:17 AM

Keir was a special individual. He was naturally kind, accompanied by an irresistible smile. His laughed sounded as if he were being tickled. I knew him and his adoring wife Cynthia by means of one of his dearest friends/former colleague. May God's healing touch provide comfort to his family at this. I pray for precious memories to be stored at the forefront of each day. Stay blessed by knowing Keir was a part of your lives.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Keir by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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