



Keith Best

June 22, 2014

Keith Alan Best, born on December 16, 1964 formerly an Upper Sandusky, Ohio resident went to join his parents Whitney and Barbara (Riedlinger) Best in Heaven. He passed away peacefully and unexpectedly on Sunday, June 22, 2014. He is survived by his beloved wife Victoria Lynn (Althouse) Best, their loving sons Richard Tyler and Ryan James Best, as well as their beautiful daughter Kathryn Elizabeth Best. The family's dog Izzy will miss Keith dearly as well. Richard and Pat Althouse are Keith's in-laws and the parents of Victoria Best. Keith's grandparents have also passed and were Linus and Bernice Riedlinger and Virgil and Idella Best, all of Upper Sandusky. He leaves behind two brothers and a sister and their spouses, Randy and (Jennifer) Best, Brian and Valerie (Best) Tivin, and Cory and (Christel) Best as well as two sister-in-laws and their spouses Herb and Anita (Althouse) Berger, Steve and Amy (Althouse) Singer. Keith will also be missed by his six nephews, Dane Best son of Randy Best, Jacob, Adam and Derek (deceased) Tivin sons of Brian and Valerie Tivin, Mitchell Berger son of Herb and Anita Berger, Andrew and Collin Singer sons of Steve and Amy Singer, and a niece Lindsay Best daughter of Cory and Christel Best. Keith was a devoted and loving husband and father. He was a serious, but fun and adventurous brother, friend, and brother-in-law. Keith and Victoria were married on Saturday, September 30th 1989 in Upper Sandusky at the Trinity United Church of Christ. This year would have been there 25th wedding anniversary. Keith was a dedicated and loyal employee of Allstate Insurance as a Personal

Financial Representative for several years while living in Powell. In his free time Keith enjoyed, golfing and spending endless hours at his children's sporting events and in most cases helping to coach the teams which his children participated. Keith was also a partner in the ownership of two car washes in the Powell and Westerville areas. Keith was a 1983 graduate of the Upper Sandusky High School and a star player on the Upper Sandusky Rams football, basketball, and baseball teams. In 2009, Keith was inducted into the Upper Sandusky Athletic Hall of Fame. Keith also played varsity football for the Bowling Green Falcons. In 1987, Keith graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Bowling Green. He then received his Master's Degree in Business Administration from Capital University in Columbus, Ohio. Keith was a previous member of the Powell Sertoma and a current member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks organization. The family is a member of the Powell United Methodist Church. Family will receive friends 1-3 and 6-9 p.m. THURSDAY at the RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME AT POWELL, 450 W. Olentangy St. (Powell Rd./St. Rt. 750/1/4 mile east of Sawmill Pkwy) Powell, OH 43065 (614) 792-1471. Funeral Service will be held 10 a.m. FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2014 at the POWELL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 825 E. Olentangy St., Powell, OH 43065 with Reverend Larry Brown officiating. A time of fellowship will be held at the church immediately after the funeral service. Burial will follow at Cheshire Cemetery, Delaware, OH. In lieu of flowers, the family requests a gift in memory of Keith Best to the Cancer Strategic Support Fund (Fund#313545) or the OSU Heart Center/Ross Heart Hospital Support Fund (Fund#310473) at The Ohio State University James Cancer Hospital and Ross Heart Hospital. Contributions can be sent to: The James Development Office, 660 Ackerman Road, P.O. Box 183112, Columbus, Ohio 43218-3112 or made online at giveto.osu.edu. Condolences to: www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Keith Best*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Dear Vicki and family,
You and your family have been in my thoughts and prayers during these very sad and difficult times. When something like this happens life is hard to understand and explain. The love and memories Keith shared with each of you will always be tucked away in a special place within your hearts. Keith was a wonderful person and his love and legacy lives on. I pray that you find strength in the love that surrounds you and comfort in those precious heartfelt memories. With each passing day may you be blessed with renewed strength and peace.*

*With sincere sympathy,
Mrs. Janet Bair*

Mrs. Janet Bair - June 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Vicki,
I am so sorry to hear of Keith's untimely death. I know you and your family are devastated. You will be in my thoughts and prayers in the coming days & weeks.*
Paul

Paul Hoerle - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ We are so sorry about and saddened by Keith's passing. Sending you our deepest condolences. Chris and Kathy (Solacoff) Perry and Family

Chris and Kathy Perry - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LN

“ You are in my thoughts and prayers at this very difficult time. Hugs to Ryan, especially.

Lisa Nichols - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I am praying for God to bring His comfort to you during this time.

Bill Lohr

Teacher, Wyandot Run Elementary

Bill Lohr - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ Vicki, my heart goes out for you. I can't begin to express the sadness that I am feeling to know that you and the kids are going through this. Stay strong and hold on to the great memories. I am here for you. You will get through this.

Pat Bailey - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you as you grieve and cope with your loss. May the love, comfort, and support of family and friends provide you with strength you need during this difficult time.

Susanne Sleeper, Teacher at Wyandot Run Elementary

Susanne Sleeper - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WH

“ Our thoughts & prayers are with the Best family in this difficult time. God bless you all and He will help you through these tough times.

Wes, Theresa & Lauren Hampton - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ Vicki-----Our heartfelt thoughts & prayers go out to you and your children. So sorry for your loss.

Grant & Lynn

Grant & Lynn Price - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Vicki,
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time.-Misty

Misty Hanna - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ We are so sorry to hear of Keith's passing. Although our interaction with your family was infrequent, we still cherish the memory of Keith growing up and our renewed sadness thinking of Barb and Whitney's early deaths. Your family has truly had extraordinary burdens to bear. Our thoughts are with you at this time.

Pat and Jack Brown - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Vicki,

Thinking of you and your family. So sorry for your loss.

Bruce Smythe

Bruce Smythe - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Keith's family
God Bless!*

Art & Clara Schertzer - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ *Vicki I am so sorry to hear about your loss. This is such a difficult time but you are surrounded by friends and family that are here to support you. Lean on them during this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
God Bless you
Karen Dawson*

Karen Dawson - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ *We were so so saddened to hear of the sudden death of Keith. Please know that you and your family have been constantly in our thoughts and prayers and will continue to pray for strength to endure the following days, weeks and months to come.
With Deepest Sympathy, Brad and Susy (Shumaker) Frey & family*

Brad and Susy Frey - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KN

“ *We are so shocked and saddened by Keith's sudden passing. Thinking of you all and wishing you strength in the days ahead...
Mary, Kip, Anna & Daniel*

Kip and Mary Newell - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our hearts go out to you and your entire family during this difficult time.

Our sincerest sympathy,

Keri & Greg Wagner

Keri & Greg Wagner - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Vicki and family, We are so very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Scott, Stacey, Nicole and Marshall

Scott, Stacey, Nicole and Marshall Callahan - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Vicki,
Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I am so sorry for your tragic loss. If there is anything you need please let us know. -Cassie

Cassie Gibbons - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Your family is my my thoughts and prayers. Lori Kipfer. Wyandot Run Music Teacher

Lori Kipfer - June 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Your entire family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Mark, Mimi, Marlee, Miller, and Merritt Ridpath

The Ridpath Family - June 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *To The Best Family:*

Dear All,

Hearing about the death of Keith Best was unexpected for me. I had to do a double take of the announcement. It is a tragic and sudden loss which no one should experience. I knew Keith for a short while, while working for Randy. We talked as we crossed paths in and out of the office. He was a standup gentleman which represented the family well like his siblings. With heartfelt sympathy, please accept my condolences and know I am thinking of the Best family.

*Regards,
Andrew A. Balalovski*

Andrew A. Balalovski - June 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ I have not seen you for a long time but have followed your family on Facebook. My heart aches for your loss and we are praying continually for your family that God will encircle you with his arms, and send the Comforter to help you deal with this great loss. Words cannot express how you are feeling and one cannot understand why this happened...but remember Keith will always be in your heart. He is no longer on this earth but his love and your memories of him will last a lifetime that no one can take away from you...Once again our condolences....

Ron & Barbara Hertzner - June 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ So sorry for your loss. Sending prayers for the Best and Althouse families.

Lisa (Rodriguez) Johnson - June 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ We are so sorry to hear about the loss of Keith. it doesn't seem possible that we can have a classmate passed. it seems like only yesterday we were all in high school. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

Dave & Nita Crawford - June 24, 2014 at 12:00 AM