



Kimberly Sue Estes

December 4, 1962 - February 5, 2023

Kimberly Sue Estes, born December 4, 1962, passed away suddenly from an extended illness on February 5, 2023.

Kimberly leaves behind a life story of accomplishment, strength, and love. She was born in Anderson, Indiana to Darhl and Janet Estes.

Kimberly attended Pendleton Heights High School, where she lettered in several Varsity Sports. She graduated in 1981 from PHHS and went on to Grand Canyon University on a volleyball scholarship. She later transferred to Ball State University where she graduated in 1985 with a Bachelor of Fine Arts.

Kimberly's undeniable athletic gift stayed with her for many decades, resulting in many awards and further achievements from volleyball, to softball to basketball to golf and billiards.

She was a member of Charleston, WV BCA Women's Pool League, and her winnings led to invites and pool tournaments in Las Vegas.

She was an incredible artist. A talent that led her to find work as a Billboard Artist for Universal Outdoor Advertising from 1986-2009. Not only the billboards but her own personal are also featured in various art shows in many cities across Indiana, including Mass Ave Art Galleries in Indianapolis. When

she moved to West Virginia in 2014, while restoring the historic home of her wife, Sonya, she continued to paint several portraits and pieces.

In all of Kimberly's travels and stories, and successes, the thing she held closest to her soul was her 39-year relationship and marriage to her wife, Sonya Roberts, and the friendships she gathered along the way. Kim lived and loved with an exuberance few ever experience. Best friends, partners, and forever adventurers, the pair met and started dating in June of 1984, and were married in October 2014.

Kimberly is survived by her wife, Sonya Roberts; her brother, Jim Estes (wife, Niki Estes); nephews, Joseph Estes, Jameson Estes (wife, Kelsi), and Jackson Estes (wife, Becca); great nieces, Ellie, Molly, and Everly Estes; several cousins, aunts, and uncles, including special aunts, Jean Maher of Indianapolis, and Nancy Roof of Piqua, Ohio. Also surviving are many, many friends. Friends who were often considered family, from the softball fields to the beaches, to the concerts, to the travels, to the constant laughter, tears, and too many memories to count, "Our Village."

Kimberly lived above all else, she truly lived. Traveling, fishing, painting, exploring, laughing, and never living a moment not being her true authentic self. The most beautiful things in life are not things. They're people, places, memories, and pictures. They are feelings, memories, smiles, and laughter. Hold her memory close as she did with each of us.

A Celebration of Life will be held in Anderson, IN, and in Charleston, WV at a later date. Details will be posted as soon as possible.

Tribute Wall

AR

“ I am so very sorry to hear of Kim's passing. My prayers are with her family and friends.

Ann Reighard - February 15, 2023 at 02:13 AM

KB

Sonya, I am so sorry for your loss. I often think of you and our days on Bennett Rehab. You were one of the best nurse's in which I got to work. I know you and Kim and many cherished years together and wished you could have had so many more. You're in my prayers. Kimi.

Kimberly Bond - February 16, 2023 at 08:04 PM

LF

Amazing tribute! We will be holding you tight In our many and best memories and all our love to you Sonya.

Lyn Fierce - February 17, 2023 at 12:35 PM

MK

“ The tribute to Kim is awesome. I recall the first time I saw some of her art in a high school art class, and my jaw dropped. Her work, even then, was beyond all of us.

Mark Kline - February 14, 2023 at 10:48 AM

SM

“ I meant Kimberly when taking care of her father. Her and Sonya are very loving. My prayers goes to her brother Jim and his family as well for Sonya through this difficult time.



Susan Mitchell - February 13, 2023 at 08:53 PM

VH

“ Truly beautiful words for an incredible woman! So sorry to lose her in this earthly world! We were all so fortunate to have known her and loved her, and we were honored to call her both friend and family!

Veronika Hall - February 13, 2023 at 05:18 PM

TW

“ I was so saddened to hear of Kim's passing. The words written in the obituary are so touching & a wonderful tribute. I worked with Kim for many years & always enjoyed her special talent. Much love, hugs & prayers for her family and especially to Sonya 🙏. My heart goes out to you during this difficult time.

Teresa Woods - February 13, 2023 at 04:42 PM