



William Kelly Ferguson

June 1, 1992 - May 9, 2014

William Kelly Ferguson went to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ who he deeply loved on May 6, 2014. Kelly was born June 1, 1992 and is survived by his parents William "Bill" and Shannon Ferguson. He was the love of their life and the apple of their eye. What Kelly lacked in height he made up for with a larger than life persona. He enjoyed crazy haircuts, big hats, cowboy boots and culinary tattoos. He possessed a great heart, touching the life of every person who crossed his path. From the mountains of Colorado to the Island of Anguilla, Kelly Ferguson never met a stranger. Kelly lived his life to the fullest and infused happiness and laughter into everyone around him. There was never a dull moment with Kelly. He loved fast cars, big trucks, women, two stepping, and beating his friends at pool. He was a member of a three-peat state championship golf team at his Alma Mater, Alpha Omega Academy. After high school, Kelly took his talents to the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, New York. Known affectionately in those circles as "Kelly the Cowboy", it was there he refined and developed his lifelong love of cooking. Kelly then brought that love back to Texas, where he rose to the position of Sou Chef at Reef Restaurant in Houston, Texas. Kelly was few and far between, truly one in a million. His passing leaves a void in the hearts of his friends and family that will never be forgotten. Kelly is also survived by his sister April Smiley. His grandparents preceded him in death; paternal grandmother Ruth Miller, and Kelly was especially adored by his maternal grandmother, Barbara Youree. Kelly is also survived by many extended family

members. Although the Lord took Kelly young, his legacy lives on through the lives of those who loved him. Visitation will be held Thursday, May 8th, at the Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville, Texas from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Friday, May 9th, at University Heights Baptist Church in Huntsville, Texas with Pastor Richard Rogers presiding. Graveside service will follow at 2:00 pm, Farris Cemetery in Huntsville, Texas. A foundation has been established in Kelly's name at Alpha Omega Academy. Donations made to Kelly's Kitchen, the new kitchen facility. Donations will be used to furnish and supply the new kitchen to honor Kelly's memory and his passion for the culinary arts. Donations may be mailed to: Alpha Omega Academy, Kelly's Kitchen, P O Box 8419, Huntsville, TX 77340 Memorial condolences may be made to the family online at www.shmfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *William Kelly Ferguson*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Mr. & Mrs. Ferguson,
Memories of a vivacious, smiling, vibrant third grader at FLS come rushing back to me when I hear the name Kelly Ferguson. What a JOY he was to have in class. It sounds as though he grew up to be a wonderful young man! My thoughts & prayers go out to you and your family.*

Augusta Hale - May 28, 2014 at 07:59 PM



“ *Bill, As I was sitting next to my son at the graduation of his daughter (Sarah Heaton) at the Alpha Omega graduation last Saturday he told me of the death of your son. I know what you and your wife are going thru. I would love to listen to you tell me about this wonderful guy that graced this plane for such a short time. Sometime we only have to stay a little while because we have learned all we need to know. My thoughts are with you. Wilma Heaton Montgomery 718 612 0175*

Wilma Heaton Montgomery - May 25, 2014 at 06:33 PM

SF

“ I'm sorry for the loss of your son. Kelly was an incredible friend that I was fortunate enough to meet on the first day of moving in at the CIA. From that point on his infectious smile, endless energy and positive outlook helped create unforgettable memories for myself and countless others that he encountered. It's painful to see such a brilliant young man and dear friend leave us, but I will always be proud to call him a friend.

Stephen Forgione - May 16, 2014 at 01:51 PM

KC

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. I remember well holding him as a baby. May our Lord and Savior walk with you as you journey through your grief and may the Holy Spirit breathe God's peace throughout your family and friends, knowing that God's mercy and grace are joyfully extended to us all. Amen
Rev. Kathryn Cox

Kathryn Cox - May 09, 2014 at 08:37 PM

CT

“ I'm so sorry for the loss of your son. He not only brightened my life in my years at CIA, but also the lives of all of those he encountered. He was such a genuine and wonderful guy to everyone he met. He always had a smile on his face and an energy that was contagious to those around him. He will be greatly missed by many, but his memory will be forever kept alive through the stories of all the fantastic memories we shared with him.

Cameron Talotta - May 09, 2014 at 01:13 PM

SP

“ Bill & Shannon I'm so saddened to hear the news of Kelly. My heart is heavy with your grief. My head is spinning in disbelief. All of you have always been a very special part of my life - always in thought, word, and deed. Shannon, my arms cannot hold you as tight as I want. Know that you are both in my heart and prayers. Thank you for always believing in Kelly and guiding him to succeed. Your family is loved!

Spoons - May 09, 2014 at 11:45 AM

JW

“ Bill & Shannon, My heart goes out to you at this time of loss. We only knew Kelly as a young child, but even then he was always fun-loving and friendly with everyone. His memory will live on in all who knew him.. I pray that God will help you find strength and peace!
Love, Jean & Lauren

Jean Westphal - May 08, 2014 at 11:41 PM

BS

“ Family and friends of Kelly. We are Lance Swisher's parents and met Kelly while visiting Lance in Houston during the Christmas holiday. Kelly was so friendly to us and just full of smiles. Lance spoke so highly of him. They so enjoyed performing karaoke together. Lance is devastated over the loss of his close friend. We can not begin to imagine how hard this tragedy is for you. Please let God be your peace and love. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Beth and Harvey Swisher - May 08, 2014 at 11:09 PM

DS

“ Bill and Shannon, Words cannot express how sorry I am over your loss. My prayers are with your family. God Bless~

Dan Stewart - May 08, 2014 at 06:53 PM

DS

“ I really would like to take the time out and say to the family, I am so sorry for your loss. I am a former co-worker from REEF. Me and kelly worked hard together, he would always count on me when he needed an extra hand. He wasn't very big for his size but his heart was. Kelly was one of those great people who knew what he wanted and did it. He cared for people like I have never seen before, he knew what it takes to be a leader. I'm going to miss him, and he will always be one of my friends. Rest Easy kelly!

Damon smith - May 08, 2014 at 05:00 PM

CR

“ Shannon & Bill,
We are praying for you individually and together. May God keep you in the Palm of His Hand!
With Love & Prayers, Carol & Jeff

Carol & Jeff Reid - May 08, 2014 at 01:39 PM

CD

“ When I first met Kelly at college I knew I was meeting a special person. He was one of the few people in this world I would say was a true friend. Your son was such a wonderful person and I was turely blessed to have had him in my life. I am so sorry for your loss. I know that Kelly is in a better place now and he is watching over all of us now.

Chip Dunham - May 08, 2014 at 11:35 AM

JE

“ Bill & Shannon just want you to know we are thinking about you and lifting you up in prayers. May God give you the peace and comfort you need in this time of sorrow.

Johnny and Chrissy Estes - May 08, 2014 at 10:37 AM

WF

“ Bill & Shannon, I can't find the words to express how sorry we are for your loss. God has gained a wonderful angel to forever watch over you!

Wayne & Deborah Fowler - May 08, 2014 at 09:02 AM

LH

“ Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson, My name is Linda Hurtado, and your sweet Kelly went to CIA with my son Daniel. When we were in Hyde Park for Daniel's graduation, Texas size Kelly and his Texas size pick-up truck took us to dinner and a few places, and we ever so grateful. Daniel took care of Kelly in return by helping him with his externship connections; true friendship. I will continue to pray for you and your family; this loss is unimaginable, but Kelly has another friend in heaven..my husband Paul who along with the rest of my family "felt at home" when we met Kelly and his pick-up truck. May God's grace be with you.

Linda Hurtado - May 07, 2014 at 11:46 PM

DJ

“ Our hearts ache for you both. May the Lord fill your emptiness with His Love.

Donnie & Anita Jones

Donnie & Anita Jones - May 07, 2014 at 08:38 PM

KW

“ Bill and Shannon-You are in our thoughts and prayers at this time in your lives. God was ready for another angel to help watch over His flock. May God bless you and help you.

Ken & Theresa Westbay - May 07, 2014 at 08:17 PM

TB

“ *Bill & Shannon there are no words to express our sorrow for this time in your life. Remember the good times and celebrate his life. Our love and thoughts are with you.*

Tony, Kathleen, Tiffany & Brittany - May 07, 2014 at 07:51 PM

GS

“ *Shannon and Bill, We are so sorry for your loss. Kelly was very special to all of us and he will be greatly missed. His awesome smile will forever be in our memory. Heaven has gained an awesome angel. We are praying for strenght for y'all. Sending hugs too. Love you!*

Gerald and Suzette - May 07, 2014 at 06:40 PM

SA

“ *Bill & Shannon
I simply have no words. I just keep seeing Kelly riding his skateboard through your kitchen. My love for all of you is huge, and my heart aches for you.*

*Love,
Susan*

Susan Arons - May 07, 2014 at 06:16 PM

BB

“ *Bill and Shannon....I'm truly at a loss for words. I hadn't seen Kelly in years but I'll never forget the privilege of watching him and Matt and Morgan grow up and have such fun at the farm. I know everyone is in shock and tremendously hurt. My thoughts and prayers are with you both, as well as with Brenda, Cherie, Morgan, Matt, and the rest of the family. Giant hugs and many prayers....Bob Bolster*

Bob Bolster - May 07, 2014 at 03:11 PM

RL

“ *Bill and Shannon, I'm at a loss after hearing the tragic news about Kelly. I am hurting for you both, and will keep you in my thoughts and prayers. Rhonda Andrus Leediker*

Rhonda Leediker - May 07, 2014 at 01:45 PM

BH

“ *Bill & Shannon. We're in CO and just heard the tragic news We're so sorry for your loss and our thoughts and Prayers are with you. God bless you. Hugs*

Bob & Gloria Hein - May 07, 2014 at 01:17 PM

LP

“ *Kelly was truly blessed by those around him that loved him so much, particularly Bill and Shannon. Those of us that knew Kelly from the time he was born, gave him part of our hearts.*

Bill & Shannon, I will be praying that God pours out His peace and comfort on you and the rest of your family and friends.

Linda Phillips - May 07, 2014 at 01:16 PM

DF

“ *Bill and Shannon:*

Our prayers and thoughts are with you at this time. You have made it a joy of being around you always. We are sorry for the loss of your sweet Kelly. If there is anything we can do, please let us know! God be with you.

Dan & Tasha Fry

Dan & Tasha Fry - May 07, 2014 at 01:06 PM

TP

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Your family is in our prayers. Love the Priddy family

Terri and Samantha Priddy - May 07, 2014 at 12:41 PM

CS

“ Bill & Shannon, words cannot express the sorrow we feel for the both of you. Kelly will be missed tremendously. We are praying for your family. Love, Errol, Carolyn, Alec, and Preston

Carolyn Stivender - May 07, 2014 at 10:58 AM

CC

“ Bill and Shannon, my heart is broken for you. I will always remember the sweet smile of Kelly and his polite nature. I pray that you will rest in the arms of love that God provides through Himself and your friends and family.

Cynthia Cross - May 07, 2014 at 10:28 AM

KC

“ Bill and Shannon, I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers

Kimberly Cox - May 07, 2014 at 10:15 AM

DG

“ Bill and Shannon, I cannot begin to tell you how sorry I am for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with your family in this difficult time. Dave Gladney

David Gladney - May 07, 2014 at 09:31 AM

PP

“ *Bill and Shannon, Our lives are richer because of your friendship. As stated by many others, words cannot express the sadness we feel over all of us losing Kelly. Our comfort can be that he is not 'lost', but he is organizing and preparing a great feast in God's very well equipped kitchen. We love you dearly, and there is nothing that will ever change that. We are available to help you and love you.*

Patrick and Cheryl Pry

Patrick Pry - May 07, 2014 at 09:09 AM

JJ

“ *My heart hurts for the loss of your wonderful and very special son, Kelly. My prayers are with you during this most difficult time.*

Jeannine Jacoby - May 07, 2014 at 09:02 AM

GG

“ *Bill and Shannon, Words cannot express how sorry we over your loss. Our prayers are with your family.
Love, Gloria Graves and Emily White*

Gloria Graves - May 07, 2014 at 12:05 AM

MC

“ *Bill and Shannon
You are in our prayers
MG and Valerie Cox*

MG Cox - May 06, 2014 at 10:45 PM

GJ

“ *My prayers are with your family.*

Gary Joyce - May 06, 2014 at 09:02 PM

DM

“ *Bill & Shannon, I'm so sorry for your loss. Kelly was such a special person. Please know we love y'all and your in our thoughts and prayers. Please let me know if we can do anything at all. Love, Leah & David*

David & Leah Mulligan - May 06, 2014 at 07:34 PM