



Kimberly Stilson

September 21, 1964 - January 22, 2017

Heaven won a phenomenal, wonderful, and spectacular soul last Sunday, Kimberly Power Stilson. Kimberly's vibrant soul travelled through the veil on January 22nd, 2017. She was surrounded by family and friends as she completed her mission on Earth.

Kim was born to Geoffrey Power and Joanne Jorgensen in Downey, California on September 21st, 1964. Kim had a love for life and exemplified this every day. Kim loved dogs and often brought them home and she spent her youth making friends and mentoring (sometimes torturing) her younger siblings. She played pranks on people often, played powder puff football, and joined the cheer squad. Kim was in the center of all of the action and people would often call her home and ask what Kim was doing, because she would inevitably be off having fun.

Kim graduated from La Mirada High School, and attended Cerritos Jr. College while she worked hard to make her way to Brigham Young University. When Kim set a goal, she would work until she met it. Kim made things happen. Kim thrived in college, she made many friends and connections and would often bring them with her when she visited home. Kim had the incredible ability to meet someone, and in seconds they would feel like they have known her for their entire lives. She made each person she came into contact with feel special and loved. She was known for leaving kind notes and quoting famous people and poems often. She was truly loved by each person that knew her.

Kim met her eternal companion, Chad, at the Historic Utah County Courthouse where Kim was working for Senator Bennett. One day she was threatened by an angry constituent eluding to carrying a weapon. Kim called security, unbeknownst to the man, and asked for a certain file. Chad, then a security officer for the Courthouse, said you have the wrong number and hung up. Kim called once more and asked for the file again. Chad, now suspecting something was wrong went to check it out, but when he got there the guy had gone. When Chad interviewed Kim for the report, Kim's beauty did not go unnoticed, but what really impressed Chad was Kim comment about the situation, "I would have been okay, I know karate." After that, Chad was known as her hero. They were sealed in the

Salt Lake City Temple on July 29th, 1993.

Kim lead a vivacious life. She didn't shy away from change, opportunity, or adventure. She interned in New York, taught English in Japan, built businesses, and paved her way in the world. She absorbed all she could in life. She enjoyed painting, writing, poetry, reading, picnic-ing, and spontaneous travel. There was never an "ordinary" day with Kim. She made every day and every lesson special.

She would set up the formal dining table on Sundays to teach her children, the 3 M's, table manners, she would make a game of picking up rooms by suggesting they only use their feet to pick up everything, and had her children perform weekly acts of service. She loved her children and wanted them to have the tools to lead an exceptional life.

We all have a profound connection with Kim, that will continue to endure through this life and into the next. She will continue to guide us and work to make things happen for us from the other side. If she could say anything to you now, it would be:

"Love, love, love."

Kimberly is survived by her husband Chad Stilson, and her three children: Madelyne (Bryce) DeNovellis, McKall and Merrick Stilson. Kim is also survived by her mother and five siblings: Joanne Jorgensen Power, Geoffrey (Melanie) Power, Evelyn (Mike) Bilotta, Dennis (Heather) Power, Charles (Amanda) Power, Catherine (Billy) Eppler. Kim's nieces and nephews are: Ashley (Hunter) Garner and kids, Whitney (Chris) Ridl and child, Zachary (Kylie) Power and kids, Elliot Power, Calvin (Rachel) Power, Isabelle Power, Evan Bilotta, Christian Bilotta, Jesse Power, Mikayla Power, Olivia Power, Charlie Power, and Xander Eppler.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, January 28th, at 11:00 am, at the Stonewood 1st Ward, 575 South 400 West, Orem, Utah, where Visitations will be held Friday, January 27th, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, and prior to services on Saturday from 9:30 to 10:30 am. Interment in Orem City Cemetery.

*****Please attend in vibrant colors in honor of Kim's vibrant life.

Love, Love, Love

Funeral Directors: Utah Valley Mortuary.

Cemetery

Orem City Cemetery

1520 North 800 East
Orem, UT, 84097

Events

JAN 27 **Viewing** 06:00PM - 08:00PM
Stonewood 1st Ward
575 South 400 West, Orem, UT, US

JAN 28 **Viewing** 09:30AM - 10:30AM
Stonewood 1st Ward
575 South 400 West, Orem, UT, US

JAN 28 **Celebration of Life** 11:00AM - 12:00PM
Stonewood 1st Ward
575 South 400 West, Orem, UT, US

Comments



“ I found out too late.
Kim's passing is a heartbreak. I feel blessed to have connected with her a year ago. During that one hour, she made an impact on me in our brief meeting of the minds. I believed you would live forever.. R.I.P., my sister.

Toni Quest

Toni Quest - April 14, 2017 at 10:38 PM



“ I'd only known Kim for a few years, but felt as though she was a friend forever. I met her through her radio show and always looked forward to her intelligent curiosity, reflected in the meaningful questions she would ask. We had many off-air conversations too, which always concluded with "You know, anytime you come back to Utah, you have a place to stay." I sincerely regret not taking her up on the offer.

In some of our conversations she'd talked about overcoming illness and adversity but never in a braggy way -- always with this incredible optimism about the future. Kim's sunny and positive (never Pollyanna) personality was a huge inspiration to me and thousands of others who knew her and listened to her show. I can't believe she's gone.

My sincerest condolences to Chad, her children, her parents, and all of us who lost a friend and a great human being. She will be missed, every day. -- Janice Holly Booth, North Carolina

Janice Holly Booth - February 03, 2017 at 01:40 PM



“ So sorry Kim! We know you are in a better place now free from a failed and broken body that imprisoned you in the end, free to walk again with those you love and whisper comfort and encouragement to their souls. I was there when the whole Kermit thing began back in La Mirada so long ago thanks to that first stupid Muppet movie! Lots of memories! Neff High School, La Mirada Second Ward, road shows, and so many more. You were dear friend of mine and admittedly a rival of my wife Tamra LOL! The King and Power families continued to cross paths for many years after HS and I became friends with your brother Geoff. Now you rest in the same cemetery as my father in Orem and we live in your old ward, the Alpine 12th. Say "hello" to your father for me... he was always kind and fair with me. Our condolences to your family, especially your mother Joanne! Our prayers for your husband Chad and your children. Kim may be gone, but you'll still feel her when you remember her in your hearts. See you on the other side Kim! We'll catch up then. Dwayne & Tamra King

Dwayne King - January 30, 2017 at 10:57 PM



“ So sorry for your loss... Kim was a roommate of mine at BYU one year. She was always so fun and bubbly (and popular -- everyone loved Kim!). She invited me to drive to California with her one spring and stay with her family. We had a great time just hanging out, chatting until the wee hours of the morning (and pulling pranks -- she was fun that way!). I still remember how much she adored her little brother "Charlie", who was a toddler at the time. And I'll always remember her for being the one to take me (for my first time ever) to Laguna Beach and In-N-Out Burger -- she wanted to make sure I had a true SoCal experience! We lost touch over the years, so I was shocked and saddened to see this post pop up on my FB feed. Kim was a gem and will be missed by many!

Liza Starr - January 27, 2017 at 11:37 PM



“ We had so much fun with Kim the family for Saint Patrick's day!! And enjoyed so much when the Irish Wolf Hound puppies were little :) We're so glad Kim got to say goodbye to her sweet dog and to come home with her family!!

Krissy Shull - January 26, 2017 at 07:12 PM



“ Our deep condolences Chad. We'll remember your family in our prayers. Jeff Chugg

Jeff Chugg - January 26, 2017 at 03:05 PM



“ My Aunt Kim was always bubbly and smiling. She not only set and reached her goals, she made it look so easy! She touched so many people's lives. We will always love you and miss you Aunt Kim! To my cousins and Uncle Cop, there are no words. Please know we are thinking of you and praying for you daily. Love, love, love! - Your favorite first niece, Ashley

Ashley Garner - January 26, 2017 at 12:57 PM



“ I worked briefly with Kim when she had her radio show. I was struck by her vivacious personality and beauty. She was also so kind to me. It's really true that people remember the way someone treated them and she was always so nice! She interviewed me for one of her shows which was a real treat. I didn't get to know her as well as others but I love her all the same! I know she is free of pain and so happy!

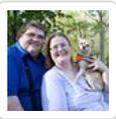
Kim, if somehow you get to see this, I wanted you to know how much you influenced me. You are truly a special spirit! I know you will be with your family as much as possible, watching over them from heaven and I pray that when those days come, they will feel your loving arms around them. May we meet again friend and until then may God be with all of us!!

Brenda Park - January 26, 2017 at 04:57 AM



“ I first met Kim when I worked as her board operator for her show at BYU Radio. From the first day I met her, she always lit up the room. She always had a wonderful spirit, and made everyone around her feel special. She always gave me great career and dating advice. Even though I only knew her for a short period of time, she was a great mentor. She always looked for the good in others, and built them up. Kim changed the lives of those around her. I will never forget Kim and the blessing she was in my life. May God bless her family during this time.

Jacob Molnár - January 25, 2017 at 10:30 PM



“ Kim is a gracious lady who always lived life to the fullest.

Rodney Fife - January 25, 2017 at 10:30 PM



“ Rodney Fife lit a candle in memory of Kimberly Stilson



Rodney Fife - January 25, 2017 at 10:29 PM



“ From the first time I stepped foot in the Stilson household for Maddy and I's first date Kim made me feel like I was a part of the family. She always included me in family outings and vacations. She would always greet me with a hug and not let me leave until I gave her another one. She truly is the best Mother-in-law anyone could ask for. I will miss her antics that she would pull on us and the life lessons she would teach us in every given opportunity. I love you mama Kim! We will never let your memory fade!



“ I will always think of Kim as a truly beautiful and unique individual. Someone we are all better off having known. I still remember meeting her for the first time when I was younger and seeing her bright smile and thinking what a wonderful person she was. She had true passion and a love for life and all it had to offer... even at its toughest moment. I will miss her greatly and will think of her often.

Love,
Mckenzi (and Travis) Hilton

Mckenzi Hilton - January 25, 2017 at 09:52 PM



“ I knew Kim as a guest on her radio program. What a delight and honor it was to be able to discuss life with this amazing individual! My life will never be the same. God bless you, Kim and family! Love, George "Dr. Z"



George Zgourides - January 25, 2017 at 08:08 PM



“ I've known the Stilson family for 10 years and consider them my second family. Kim is the most welcoming and warmest soul I've ever known. She truly made me feel like her own daughter. I remember countless times she would listen to our naive and dramatic trials growing up and loved giving us advice and different perspectives on the situation. I remember running simple errands and laughing with Kim about all the silly things she would notice. I remember feeling completely at home when I was with Kim and her family. I am so so so thankful I got to meet this amazing person. My prayers are with my favorite family. Love love love.

Jessie Armstrong - January 25, 2017 at 06:40 PM



“ I was Kim's student producer for a long time at BYU radio. I was pretty homesick when I started working there, and I loved working with Kim because we had an instant connection and she reminded me of my mom back in California. She was always super supportive of me and came to watch me perform a few times and

always looked for ways to help me out. I always told everyone that she was THE best interviewer I had ever heard and could make absolutely ANY subject or at first seemly boring guest extremely interesting! She was so talented in so many ways, but I will mostly remember her for her thoughtfulness. I have received countless cards and gifts as gestures of gratitude and love from her, and noticed she was always sending flowers to someone or doing something thinking of others. She is one of the strongest most amazing women I've known. Proud to have been a very small part of her life here on earth :)



taylor miranda - January 25, 2017 at 06:29 PM



“ Merrick, presenting my mom with a rose he welded just for her. (Christmas 2015)



Madelyne DeNovellis - January 25, 2017 at 05:40 PM



“ When I started working at BYU Broadcasting, I didn't know anybody but my supervisors. Kim was the first person in the building to greet me by name, ask how I was doing, and tell me she liked our show. It went a long way toward making BYUB feel like home.

Sam Payne - January 25, 2017 at 08:51 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Kim and Chad Lake Powell



Jana Belliston - January 24, 2017 at 11:00 PM



“ In 2012 we went to Powell with only Kim and Chad. It was so peaceful and we practically had the whole lake to ourselves, as it was late in the season. Kim always appreciated nature and beauty and loved every minute of this trip. It was so peaceful and calm. We had planned for them to go again this past August and she and I were both looking forward to it, but then her world was turned upside down again and she couldn't go. I love you Kim. Thank you for encouraging us all to look for the good in the world and show appreciation.

Jana Belliston - January 24, 2017 at 11:04 PM



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BYUB - January 24, 2017 at 05:10 PM



“ I only knew Kim for a relatively short time at BYU Broadcasting (3-ish years)... but she brought immediate light and sincere kindness whenever I interacted with her. Her smile and compliments were always genuine and much appreciated. I enjoyed my time around her. She'll obviously be missed... and certainly not forgotten by all those she had an impact on both on and off the air.

- Spencer Linton

Spencer Linton - January 24, 2017 at 03:53 PM



“ I met Kim 9 years ago. She was my neighbor who lived across the street. What I recall the most are the funny stories we shared with each other living in Woodland Hills and her beautiful children. My heart hurts because she left this earth too early and I know she fought as hard as she could to stay here. Kim and I had many common interests, one being animals, especially dogs and how to stay young for as long as possible. So many stories I could share about Kim and too little time and room. Although the antics were funny to us, they might bore you. So sorry Kim, you were a brave warrior and to think you have taken the wings of an angel to fly away to another medium is hard to wrap my head around. Sleep in peace and I look forward to seeing you again to laugh over our silly stories again. Much love Christine Heathman

Christine Heathman - January 25, 2017 at 06:38 PM



“ We met Kim in La Mirada, CA in the L.D.S. Church in La Mirada She was a captivating and beautiful young girl. You always knew when she entered a room. She had a very vivacious spirit about here. What an amazing woman she became and definitely left a beautiful legacy of a life well lived on this earth. So glad that we were blessed in this life to know sweet Kim. I am sure she is doing marvelous things on the other side of the veil. Until we

meet again Kim. Sending our love and prayers for her family. Bruce and Linda Thompson

Linda Thompson - January 25, 2017 at 11:00 PM