



## Keith Leatherwood-Purkey

February 5, 1951 - February 25, 2018

Philip Keith Purkey (Leatherwood) went to his eternal rest on Feb. 25, 2018 in Terrell, Texas. Keith was born Feb. 5, 1951 in Dallas, Texas and he was preceded in death by his mother, Teddy J. Hunt, his father, Leland Purkey, grandparents, Thelma and JW Humphries, step-father, Jimmy Leatherwood, brother, James Kirk Leatherwood and his oldest grandson, Kasey J. Cooper. Keith was a devoted father, grandfather, great grandfather, uncle, cousin, brother, son and friend. He loved and cherished his family and friends. Keith was a free spirit, to say the least, and he loved sports especially his Dallas, Cowboys, Texas Rangers, Dallas Stars and Dallas Mavericks. He also enjoyed fishing and gardening. In his earlier years, he was a great athlete and loved challenges. Spending time with his friends, playing darts and horseshoes, was also a favorite way that Keith spent the days. Stories and memories shared during these times with the ones he cared for most made these days the most special. He especially loved his kids with all his heart. He was a true role model to many and will be missed by all who knew him. Keith is survived by his daughter, Kristy Purkey Decapua, his son, Justin Klæ Purkey; his grandchildren: Paul Hillis, Jr., Tabatha Hillis and his namesake, Ryder Keith Purkey; great granddaughters: Kaylee Cooper and Abri Hillis; brother, Kyle Leatherwood as well as numerous aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

A Celebration of Keith's life and legacy is being planned by the family and will be held at a later date where his unconditional love for those he held dear will

be a cherished heritage they are proud to carry on.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Keith Leatherwood-Purkey*

October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *I'm going to miss my cousin Keith very much. I love you Kristy & Klae. Mom sends her love*

**Robin Griffin-Vasquez** - March 16, 2018 at 07:45 AM



“ *Kristy, I'm so sorry for your loss and the family. May Keith rest in peace. Suzanne*

**Suzanne** - March 08, 2018 at 06:39 AM



“ *Keith was one of my best friend. He taught me how to play baseball and was always rooting me on as a young boy. I could always make him laugh. I'll always cherish all the great memories we had. Seem like Keith was the best at everything he did when it came to sports, playing football, baseball, softball, playing horse shoes, playing Spades ,shooting darts and fishing. He loved the cowboys but most of all he loved his family. Keith always treated me like I was family and I will truly be missed him. Love you buddy RIP*

**Kevin Stiles** - March 06, 2018 at 01:15 PM



“ *Rest In Peace Uncle Keith. I have fun memories of you from when I was a child! :) I hope you've found peace.*

**J.K. Leatherwood** - March 05, 2018 at 09:52 PM

MA

“ *I am so sorry for your loss.  
Prayers and love to you all*

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**Margie** - March 05, 2018 at 12:06 PM

ML

“ *Kristy, my heart breaks for you and Klæe.  
Keith was so fun and funny when we were all  
young. Kirk loved him so much.*



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**Millie Leatherwood** - March 04, 2018 at 08:06 PM

DM

“ *I will always remember you with love... I remember how kind you  
always were  
Go with God Swert man and may it be peace that you receive now  
Prayers for your family*

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**Debbie Leatherwood Milekovich** - March 04, 2018 at 05:57 PM

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“ *We have wonderful memories of Keith. He was 3 when my brother  
james and teddy Humphrey married. From that time to age 18 he  
was an important member of our family. Lots of fun times with his  
cousins and football, baseball and basketball games. He will be  
forever in our hearts. Our prayers and sympathy to his children and  
grandkids.*

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**Virginia DeLong** - March 04, 2018 at 05:34 PM



“ *Kristy & Klæ, so very sorry to hear of Keith's passing. I've known him for over 30 years and he will be missed.*

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**Sandy Flowers** - February 28, 2018 at 10:56 PM

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*Keith was my high school sweetheart. I am going to miss him more than you know. I am here for you and Klæ, if you need me. I am so sorry.*

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**Beth Wilder Maley** - March 05, 2018 at 06:39 PM