



James Keith Taylor

October 12, 1954 - June 30, 2020

James Keith Taylor, age 65, Texas Tech Red Raider, Teacher, Robotics Fanatic, son, husband, dad, and Proud Papa T, passed away on Tuesday, June 30. Keith was born October 12 in New Mexico to James and Nita Taylor. He proudly received his Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Texas Tech University and was a proud member of the Goin' Band from Raider Land. Keith and his wife, Vivian, recently celebrated 38 years of marriage and raised three sons: Andrew, Scott, and Justin.

God called him to the mission field of teaching for over 40 years. Keith had a passion for education and influenced many students in Pecos Barstow Toyah ISD, Early ISD, and Cross Classical Academy schools. He enjoyed coaching robotics, driving the bus, especially for the Early High School Band, and teaching 4th grade science. Keith loved to instill a wonder and awe about God's creation in his students, and took joy in having star gazing parties and sharing his telescope. He treasured his church family at Early First Baptist Church where he served in many areas of ministry. Keith had an enthusiasm for life and brightened the lives of many. His love of the Lord exemplified his legacy of excellence and Christian faith that has impacted the lives of anyone he was around. "In my weakness, He is strong." 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

Keith was preceded in death by his grandparents and other close relatives. Those left behind to cherish his memories are his wife, Vivian Taylor; children, Andrew and Shelbi Taylor, Scott Taylor, Justin and Janna Taylor; his grandchildren, Oliver, Milo, and Charlie Taylor; his parents, James and Nita Taylor, sisters, Brenda Taylor Boggs and Becca and husband Rick Bryan; mother-in-law, Mary Ball; sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Alan and Lucretia Harden; as well as nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, the family has formed the James Keith Taylor Memorial Scholarship Fund at MC Bank, 411 Early Blvd, Early, TX 76803.

Events

JUL **Memorial Service** 02:00PM - 03:00PM
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Early First Baptist Church
103 Garmon Drive, Early, TX, US, 76802

Comments



“ I'm going to miss mr Taylor he was such a great science teacher always made everyone laugh even on our bad days. I love and miss you Mr Taylor



jasmine Mitchell - July 10, 2020 at 02:01 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Keith Taylor.



July 08, 2020 at 01:44 PM



“ I am so so sorry for your loss Mrs.Taylor. he was a great teacher. He will be forever missed. He love everyone. He love his students he always had a great time with us students. Love Allison Sarlo



Allison sarlo - July 07, 2020 at 12:50 PM



“ Sarah sent a virtual gift in memory of James Keith Taylor



Sarah - July 05, 2020 at 01:17 AM



“ Mr Taylor, thank you for being the person that you was I just wanted to say thank you for everything that you have done for us you used to make are bad days into good and I will miss your laughs and thank you for being the best science teacher ever and you always use to say come into my room and have a smile on your face, and hope that we will get to see you again sometime sincerely Sarah Wilder class of 2023

Sarah - July 05, 2020 at 01:14 AM



“ Taylor family:
My memories of Keith are that of a wonderful, special, caring person & teacher. My deepest condolences for the loss of a great man that never let go of his faith. He will always be an inspiration to all that knew & loved him. My prayers are with all of you. I know Keith is in a happy place with his Savior

Crissy Urias - July 02, 2020 at 03:28 PM



“ Rest in Peace and in Love Keith Taylor.

Robert McLean - July 05, 2020 at 08:03 PM



“ Vivian, I have no idea of the horrible grief & heartbreak you are bearing but I sincerely hold you up with prayer during these difficult days. May God give you & yours the peace & comfort that only He can give.

Leana Land - July 02, 2020 at 10:36 AM



“ Mr. Taylor was a Very kind Christian Man and Teacher. He taught my grandson for two years in Robotics. Mr Taylor gave of his personal time to help his students. He always had a kind word and was always willing to help his students. I count it joy to have gotten to Know Mr. Taylor. He is in Heaven now and very happy, No sickness or sadness. He will be missed. May God be with his wife and family during this very hard time.
Sincerely,
Valetta Hutcheson

Valetta Hutcheson - July 01, 2020 at 07:38 PM



“ Our deepest condolences to you and your family, Vivian. Mr. Taylor touched so many lives in positive ways, including ours. He has created a beautiful legacy and will be greatly missed. Our prayers are with you.

Ollie, Donna, and Trent Hair

Donna Hair - July 01, 2020 at 01:33 PM



“ Priscilla Bartholomew sent a virtual gift in memory of James Keith Taylor



Priscilla Bartholomew - June 30, 2020 at 11:07 PM



“ Im sorry for your lost and my prayers are with you and your family and the memories we had your wife was my teacher and im sorry Mrs Taylor



Priscilla Bartholomew - June 30, 2020 at 11:06 PM



“ Mr. Taylor was a wonderfully giving and talented man. He taught 4 of our kids and was the band bus driver even after his retirement. He had a true gift for teaching and a deep love of his craft. Everyone who came in contact was able to see the joy his students brought him and had the opportunity to be blessed by his enthusiasm. He will truly be missed, and our prayers and thoughts go out to his family. - J.C. and Mary Pruett (parents of Chris Ingram, Geraden Pruett, Elizabeth Palmer, and Katy Palmer)

Mary Pruett - June 30, 2020 at 10:57 PM



“ Oh man! I wasn't going to cry!! PAPA T... I will forever miss sharing Oliver & Milo stories and pics with you!! You are so special to all of us. I don't have any idea how to take the next step in this Nana role I am blessed with. But I know without a doubt, you, sir will have a front row seat and be by all of our sides as we step out in faith. You will be by Jesus' side as He picks up our pieces and puts them back together in this ride called life. I know you are in the presence of God and are healed and whole. You just changed your address. I love and honor you sir!! I thank you for raising the Daddy for my Grandkids, and the Husband of my Baby Girl. Til we meet again... and we will. I LOVE YOU!!!
Bask in the Glory... I CAN ONLY IMAGINE WHAT IT MUST BE LIKE... and I know that's not even a sneak peek.

Theresa Ledsome - June 30, 2020 at 10:04 PM



“ I too shed a tear! He is one of my favorites.

david grooms - June 30, 2020 at 10:35 PM



“ Praying for you Vivian and boys as you physically lose your husband and dad! Keith was a great man and educator. I know the days ahead will be tough but feel free to call me Vivian for anything! Love you friend!

melissa king - June 30, 2020 at 09:17 PM



“ What an amazing man! He would always do something special for me on my birthday as we were "birthday buddies" (October 12th). Seeing his relentless positivity and the impact he made was an inspiration



Todd Polvado - June 30, 2020 at 08:40 PM



“ Keith was an amazing educator, he went above and beyond the call of duty. He will be miss by many and blessed so many ! Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family!

Gary Bowen - June 30, 2020 at 08:17 PM



“ King Knucklehead has joined the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Keith and my boys will always remember each other as knuckleheads. The love and impact Keith had on many individuals lives has left a long legacy. Love and prayers for the family.

The Baucom Family - June 30, 2020 at 08:04 PM



“ Love,
The Baucom Family

The Baucom Family - June 30, 2020 at 08:05 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers for the family. Keith was a good man and a great friend.
Janie and Randy Stone

Janie Stone - June 30, 2020 at 07:28 PM



“ I met Keith in college fellowship at church. He has never changed since the day I met him...kind, full of joy, faithful, and sweet. He will be missed by so many. Love to the family.

Adell Garcia - June 30, 2020 at 07:01 PM



“ Keith was a wonderful friend and brother in Christ! We will miss your positive attitude and smile but we know you are celebrating in Heaven today!

Lauri Sullivan - June 30, 2020 at 06:53 PM



“ You were the first teacher I worked with at Early Elem. Your sense of humor and love for the kids was remarkable! We've been through lots of things together in the past 21 years. I'll cherish every memory! Love you LOUDEST!! Lisa H

Lisa Hunter - June 30, 2020 at 06:51 PM



“ Keith loved his students dearly. I was an inclusion teacher with Keith and I witnessed his love for his students. Keith is in the arms of his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Shirley Glenn - June 30, 2020 at 05:42 PM



“ A good and faithful man, Keith lived and loved as a true Christian example. We met in Pecos as young teachers, and I knew then he had a God given talent for education. His impact and legacy lives on with his students. Prayers for his beautiful wife and family.

Sharon Heath - June 30, 2020 at 06:44 PM



“ I think we are all better people for having had Keith in our lives. He was a wonderful husband, father, and friend to all..Keith and Vivian were dedicated teachers and really respected by all.. Prayers for all of the family.

Margaret Blackburn - June 30, 2020 at 09:08 PM