



Kelvin Hildreth

December 28, 1960 - January 12, 2023

Kelvin Hildreth, 62 of Fayetteville passed away Thursday, January 12, 2023 at Washington Regional Medical Center in Fayetteville. He was born December 28, 1960 in Dallas County, Texas to Thomas Hildreth and Flossie Mae Henry Hilbreth.

Kelvin attended Bret Harte Jr. High School - Fall 1972 Washington, Fremont and Muir High Schools Fall 1976 - Spring 1979 and Graduated in the Spring of 1979. He also attended El Camino College 1980 - 1982, Mississippi State 1982 - 1984 graduating in 1985.

He played in the Italian Basketball League for one season. He then joined the Harlem Globetrotters for nearly a decade bringing joy to many fans. He was a great man who loved his family. He will be missed.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Thomas Curtis Hildreth and Flossie Mae Hildreth, one nephew, Thomas Curtis Williams and one son, Robert James Sprunk.

Survivors include two sons, Keanton L. Hildreth and Nicholas Sprunk; seven siblings, Alma Lowery of Dallas, Texas, Charles Henry and wife Vanita of Corona, California, Toney Hildreth and wife Julie of El Dorado, Arkansas, Fredicia Hildreth of Victorville, California, Darryl Hildreth of El Dorado,

Arkansas, Fanita Morris of Fontana, California and Trevino Jones of Hawthorn, California; two grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews and relatives.

Memorial service will be Saturday, January 21, 2023 at 4pm at Sisco Funeral Chapel of Springdale with Rev. Charles Ray Henry officiating.

Online condolences may be left at www.siscofuneral.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 21. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AW

“ I met Kelvin when he lived in Redondo Beach, California. My son Kaden and his son Keanton both played basketball in RBYB. Kelvin coached. He was very personable, and always had positive vibes. I just thought about him the other day and found out about his passing. My condolences to his family. He always said hi, and whenever I'd see him driving around town, he would always stop to say hi. Wish I would have taken more time to get to know him better. RIP Kelvin.

Aubrey M. Walton - May 19 at 03:00 PM

TB

“ I met Kelvin on a red eye flight to Minnesota many years ago. He was flying with a friend and had a meeting about setting up a basketball camp. He had ended up in a seat where his knees were hitting his chin and asked to be moved to a seat with more leg space. I had a bulkhead seat and he ended up sitting next to me - after he hit his head on an overhead monitor. After eating a pint of ice cream he fell asleep and I ended up with his head on my shoulder for the majority of the flight. He took me to lunch the following week in exchange for the use of my shoulder and his kindness was welcomed. He struck me as a very kind man. I am sure the world will miss him.

Therese Barron - April 11 at 04:05 PM

RB

“ Kevin and I met in Salinas California at the rec. center, in 1983. We became close friends during his stay in Salinas. Once he sign to play with the Globe Trotters we lost contact for a while. I played basketball at North Carolina Central University and it just so happened that a teammate of mine from North Carolina Central name Clyde Sinclair was on the team with Kevin. The tour came to the Oakland CA. This was the late 80s and I. Got a chance to spend time with both of them. I had no ideal I would never see him again. I am very thankful that I was apart of his journey. Rest in heaven special K.

Reggie Barrett - May 03, 2024 at 10:36 PM

SD

“ Special K was just that "SPECIAL". On the court he was a great athlete. Off the court he was a great person. I just found out about his passing this week (6/26/23) and immediately I felt an emptiness in my heart. Going to miss you Special K but I will never forget you! A Teammate for life!!!

Sherwin Shake Durham

Sherwin Durham - June 28, 2023 at 01:43 PM

KT

“ Kara Tolliver lit a candle in memory of Kelvin Hildreth



Kara Tolliver - February 08, 2023 at 12:26 PM

MN

“ *My sincere condolences to the entire Hildreth family. My mom and I went to school together and my basketball coach Mr. Finley at Bret Harte middle school had Kelvin come to our practices all the time.*



Kelvin always gave me a hard time on the court and was super funny. I remember him visiting Palmdale Highschool in 1997 and when he walked out on the court, I shouted hey....I know you....he walked right over to me, remembered me and gave me a big hug and then got in the microphone to bring me up to the podium. I felt like a HUGE celebrity at the school that day thanks to Kelvin.

I'm so sad to hear of his passing. I'll never forget him. 😞

Mechele Nelson - February 08, 2023 at 12:09 PM

PB

“ *Phyllis G Buckley-Cobb lit a candle in memory of Kelvin Hildreth*



Phyllis G Buckley-Cobb - January 22, 2023 at 08:17 AM

DD

“ *Dwayne Daniels lit a candle in memory of Kelvin Hildreth*



Dwayne Daniels - January 21, 2023 at 03:07 PM

DD

Kelvin was a gentle soul with a smile that brightened the world, God rest his soul and Bless his family 🙏

Dwayne Daniels - January 21, 2023 at 03:10 PM



“ *Kelvin Hildreth*

January 21, 2023 at 02:29 PM

JU

“ *Johnny Daniels-step Up lit a candle in memory of Kelvin Hildreth*



Johnny Daniels-step Up - January 21, 2023 at 12:12 PM

JU

Kelvin was like a breath of fresh air when you first saw him and his smile. Gonna miss that smile coming in the room or in my presence love you Hillbilly!

Johnny Daniels-step Up - January 21, 2023 at 12:14 PM

NB

“ *Nichole Broaster lit a candle in memory of Kelvin Hildreth*



Nichole Broaster - January 20, 2023 at 07:29 PM

LH

“ *Rip Unc kelvin luv you always*



LaVelle Henry - January 20, 2023 at 06:15 PM

VH

“ *Venita Henry lit a candle in memory of Kelvin Hildreth*



Venita Henry - January 20, 2023 at 10:56 AM

BB

“ *My sincere Condolences to Kelvin's family. Love you all. Brenda*

Brenda Bellard-Harris - January 19, 2023 at 07:08 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Kelvin Hildreth.*



January 19, 2023 at 07:05 PM