



Keith Burres

November 30, 1939 - July 2, 2019

On Tuesday, July 2, 2019, Keith Eldon Burres, 79, passed away in his home in Boerne, Texas.

Keith was born in Medford, Oregon to Eldon Dayl and Ruth (Boyd) Burres. He had a love of football and played throughout high school and college. In 1957, he was featured in Sports Illustrated for his football leadership. He earned a full football scholarship to Willamette University, from which he graduated in 1962. After college, Keith joined the Air Force in Officer Candidate School, received his officer commission and proudly served his country for twenty-four years.

Keith was a generous and kind soul, just wrapped in a hard outer shell. His favorite movies were the Predator and Die Hard franchises, which he loved just as much as Sweet Home Alabama and Pretty Woman. He loved fishing, and had many adventures with “the love of his life,” Glenda, who was game for all that entailed (hiking 2 hours out of the Missouri wilds, anyone?). His favorite music came from the 50s, but he loved to dance to just about anything.

Keith 's Air Force service took him and his family around the country and globe, giving his children a lasting respect for culture and others that lasts to this day. Keith would also want you all to know that he earned the rank of Colonel after only 18 years of service. Of special note were his Meritorious Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Air Force Commendation Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with one Bronze Star, and an Overseas Long Tour. He also

took great pride in his years as an instructor at the Air Force Squadron Officer School, where he sought to win his young students' hearts and minds.

If you knew Keith, you heard him speak of his pride of his children. In the life they had built with his influence, and on their own.

He would only play board games if he was winning, and his love of potato salad was unmatched!

He was a proud Republican, Conservative, and Rotarian. And in his retirement, he gave his time and talents to the First United Methodist Church of Corsicana and its members.

He was devoted to his wife Glenda, and they enjoyed immensely their retirement at their home ("Cool Breeze") in Corsicana, Texas on the Richland Chambers lake.

He is now reunited with his parents, Dayl and Ruth Burres; and his sister Patricia (Burres) Thompson. He is survived by his wife, Glenda (Bendy) Burres, his son Keith Eldon Burres, Jr., and his wife Lisa, and their three sons, Alexander, Vance, and Ryan; his son Christopher Vance Burres, and his wife Marissa, and their twins Allen and Kaylee; his daughter Meagan (McKenney) Gillette, and her husband Scott, and their three children Connor, Emery, and Quinn; and his daughter Linda Kerr Rosenthal, and her husband Dale, and their daughter Taylor and her husband Clint Steen.

A service will be held on Monday, July 8, 2019 at the First United Methodist Church of Corsicana at 11:00 a.m. A burial service will be held at the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio.

The family would request that you not send flowers, but donate to ALS Texas (<https://www.alstexas.org/donate/>); the Paralyzed Veterans of America (<http://te xaspva.org/donate/>); or the First United Methodist Church of Corsicana (<http://fumccorsicana.org/give/>).

Cemetery Details

Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach Road
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
320 North 15TH Street
Corsicana, TX 75110

Tribute Wall



“ *Keith Burres*

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“ *We have so missed the Burres' smiles and salutations at the Corsicana YMCA. Prayers and thoughts sent to you, Glenda, and to your children and grands.*

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