



Kevin Lee Ball

May 21, 1963 - February 4, 2019

Kevin Lee Ball, "The Legend", 55, of Kalkaska passed away Monday February 4th, 2019. He was born in Flint Michigan on May 21, 1963 to Donald Thomas Ball Sr. and Barbara Jean Ball.

Kevin graduated from Johannesburg-Lewiston High School in 1981, and started in residential construction and joined the brotherhood of the Michigan Carpenters Union Local 202 June 1999. He was employed by Comstock Construction of Traverse City Michigan for the last 20 years. Kevin was a master carpenter, craftsman, judge of many car shows, and avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed sharing his crafts and gifts with many people.

Kevin was a man of many hats! There was not much he could not do and he took much pride in everything he completed. He was a very humble man.

Kevin formed many friendships throughout his career and lifetime. He loved his family very much and adored his grandbabies (his "peewees").

He was survived by his loving wife of 25 years Dawn Kato Ball, daughter Karen Ball (Brad) York and their children Leigha (13), Briona (11), Gabriel (6), and Olivia (3), son Jeremy (Heidi) Kato and their children Julius (10) and Alice (6), mother Barbara Ball, brothers Clarence "Skip" (Pat) Ball and Ron (Dawn) Ball, sister Lori Ball (Don) Padgitt, and many nieces, nephews, cousins and greats.

He was Preceded in death by his father Donald Thomas Ball, sister Donna Ball Pederson, and brother Donald Thomas Ball Jr.

A memorial service for Kevin will be held at Kalkaska Funeral Home at Noon

on Saturday February 9th, 2019. All are welcome, please dress casual and bring your memories to share.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home
152 S Cedar St
P.O. Box 1457
Kalkaska, MI 49646

Tribute Wall

LS

“ I just learned of Kevin's death after I returned from my vacation. What a loss for so many lives that he touched. Kevin was such a quick wit, happy guy with a smile that filled the room. I found out his love for chocolate when he was working on the new Administration suite...He was always happy to take time out to help, even if it wasn't something that he was working on (that's where the chocolate came in). He was always happy to listen to our "suggestions" of things we would like changed and never acted like he was too busy. I always felt lucky when I would run into him in the hospital after he finished in Administration and was on to other projects. To the family and friends of Kevin...I send my thoughts and prayers that you hold the precious memories of this great guy close in your heart...he will be greatly missed. Laurie Stricker - Munson Administration

Laurie Stricker - February 13, 2019 at 03:50 PM

CM

“ Kevin, my friend;

*It's hard to put into words how I feel,
This is still so unreal.
You always had something to say
To make us laugh and lift our day!
Thank you for being such a bright light
From the time you came in
Till you left at night!
I hope that you can see from above,
The hearts you've touched
And how much you are loved.
You've made us laugh
Now you make us cry;
It is so hard to say goodbye.
So sorry for the loss to all your family and friends*

Cindy . M.C.H.C. - February 09, 2019 at 08:33 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Kevin Lee Ball.*



February 08, 2019 at 07:25 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Kevin Lee Ball.*



February 07, 2019 at 03:54 PM

TC

“ *The Friends at Munson Medical Center purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kevin Lee Ball.*



The Friends at Munson Medical Center - February 07, 2019 at 02:55 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kevin Lee Ball.*



February 07, 2019 at 11:29 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Kevin Lee Ball.*



February 07, 2019 at 11:08 AM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Kevin Lee Ball.*



February 07, 2019 at 08:38 AM

JA

“ I also work at MCHC and every morning when I came down to get coffee at the café I would see Kevin and his crew working. I work in the library at MCHC and a new library was part of the construction project. I had lots of questions and suggestions about the new library and Kevin was always patient and always helpful. Kevin treated everyone that way. Please know that we miss him very much.

Janette Ransom

Janette - February 06, 2019 at 04:06 PM

MS

“ Mark & Hannah Stricker purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kevin Lee Ball.



Mark & Hannah Stricker - February 06, 2019 at 11:41 AM

SG

“ So very hard to believe that Kevin is no longer here with us! My heart breaks for his family, "his guys"(crew) and his MCHC family. He was funny, kind, caring, and literally was a joy to be around. I will miss bringing him no bake cookies and pumpkin rolls as he always joked about his girlish figure. Kevin my friend, you will forever be missed and there is no one that will be able to fill your boots!

Stephanie Goodwin - February 06, 2019 at 11:07 AM

AC

“ I was lucky enough to get to know Kevin on the MCHC remodel. Every day he had a smile and a warm good morning for everyone. He is truly missed daily here. My thoughts are with his family during this tough time.

April Clover - February 06, 2019 at 08:53 AM

JS

“ I had the pleasure of working with Kevin over the last year while MCHC was going through its remodel. He was the constant bright spot and glue that held everything together. His kindness touched everyone. I keep expecting to see his smiling face and the two of us coming up with a plan. Please know the number of people he made happy with his caring approach. My thoughts are with your family.

Jill Slagal - February 05, 2019 at 06:19 PM

SL

“ I also work at MCHC and every morning would get a "Morning Sunshine" from Kevin. I'm still shocked and keep expecting to see him outside my door. I didn't know him well, but from the first day I met him, the banter began. He was friendly, outgoing and always had a smile. He will be thought of often and greatly missed.

Steffany L. - February 05, 2019 at 12:50 PM

SL

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Scott LaBonte - February 05, 2019 at 11:15 AM

LI

“ I work at MCHC, and Kevin has been supervising our remodel for the last year or so.
He was always quick to make us all smile/laugh. We are all saddened very much. He will be missed.

lisa - February 05, 2019 at 09:28 AM