

Kelli Williams September 2,1979 - March 11,2018

# Celebrating the Life of Kelli Williams Saturday, March 17, 2018 12:00 p.m. Cathedral in the Pines Church Beaumont, Texas



"I Can Only Imagine"
by MercyMe

Welcome and Prayer

Family Comments

Debbie Derrick – Reading of Eulogy
Suzanne Dullack, Aunt
Kory Williams, Brother

Reading of Clergy Record Share Message Closing Prayer Pastor Stephen Samuel

Closing Song/Video "Come As You Are" by David Crowder



# Kelli Williams / Sept. 2, 1979-March 11, 2018 "Earth has no sorrow that heaven can't heal." – David Crowder

As family and friends gather to say their final good-byes to Kelli, it becomes important to lay the foundation for the memories we carry forward. Memories of Kelli for the person she was, memories of Kelli for the heart she had, and memories of Kelli for the faith that was always—and still is—very much alive.

Not everyone knew that Kelli was first and foremost a girly-girl. Oh, sure, she liked to dress edgy with lots of black, jean jackets and bling. But in the way that many little girls pick pink or purple as a favorite color, Kelli picked pink. Only Kelli really never got over it. She was always pink. And her favorite jewelry was always delicate and fine; things best handled with care—just like Kelli. And Kelli would let you know if you didn't handle her with care! Her reason, though, was one some might not expect. To be hurt by the people she loved was more than she could stand. But a kind word or gesture would win her over for life.

Which brings us to Kelli's heart. Her heartbeat was her family. And her heart was so big, her definition of family had nothing to do with blood relations. Frankly, three of her family members walk on all fours and are covered with fur. And then there are the rest of us. Close kin, distant relatives, cousins, beloved nephews, stragglers and other assorted members were all part of the posse she called family. She was like her mother in that respect. She was always ready to hold her heart open, to love you and laugh with you and cry with you and walk in forgiveness when that was required, too, with all the effort it sometimes meant.

And so we come to her faith. Kelli *DID* know God. By the time she was maybe eight or nine, the family had long been settled in a church with Kelli and her brother Kory fully involved in activities designed to teach them about the Lord. One day Joellyn was driving with Kelli in the back seat of the car when the little girl became

concerned. "Can I ask Jesus into my heart?" she asked. Joellyn said "yes" and they prayed together.

Like all relationships, the one she had with the Lord included not only good times, but also those moments when He felt distant to her. This was especially true following the devastation of Hurricane Harvey which took all of her worldly possessions. But in all of Kelli's hard times, she never questioned whether God WAS. She also had begun to see His hand working in her life. He was drawing Kelli close and she was responding. She was reading her Bible. She and her fiancée, Ricky, were getting down on their knees to pray together. Her last text message to her mother was this: "I choose to move forward."

And so she has, leaving us with broken hearts. In the end, no matter who we are or where we've been or what we've done, our lives will be defined by what we choose to put our faith in. Kelli chose well as a young child. She would probably identify with the writer of Psalm 24:18 who said, "When I thought, 'My foot slips,' Your steadfast love, O Lord, held me up."

As He held Kelli up, we'll now look to the Lord to hold us up, too. We have not been left behind. Kelli has moved ahead of us and found her permanent home at last.



Welli Williams, 38, of Sour Lake, died Sunday, March 11, 2018. She was born on September 2, 1979, in Orange, to Joellyn Williams and Michael Douglas Williams

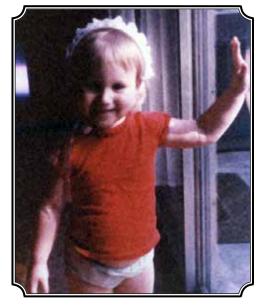
Survivors include her parents, Joellyn Creamer and her husband, Myron, of Sour Lake; father, Michael Williams, of Spring; brother, Kory Williams and his wife, Tonya, of Beaumont; fiancé, Ricky LeBlanc, of Spring; nephews, Beaux Rivera and

Hayden Williams, both of Beaumont; aunt, Susanne Dullack, of Crosby; uncle, Bill Harper, Jr., of Winter Garden, Florida; cousins, Scott Douda, of Scurry, Robin Douda, of Austin, and Denise Rashall, of Silsbee; grandmothers, Barbara Sommerville and her husband, Bill, of Orlando, Florida and Virginia Williams, of North Carolina; step-brothers, Justin Creamer and Matthew Creamer; grandson, Aries Smith, and his parents, Kiesta and Trent Smith; a very special little girl in Kelli's heart and she loved her like a granddaughter, Lynix Custer; and her three dogs, they were her fur babies, Payton, Sadie, and Dixon.

Kelli is preceded death her grandfathers, Bill Harper, Sr. and Walter T. Williams; grandmother, Inez Harper; uncle, Larry Dullack; and cousin, Kevin Harper.







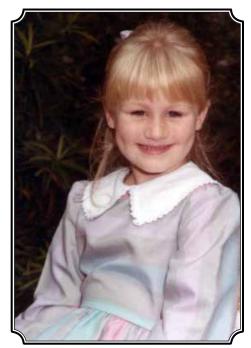
















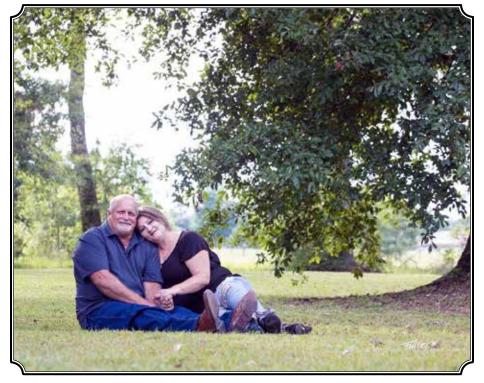










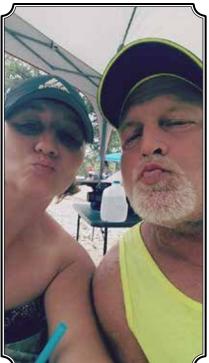










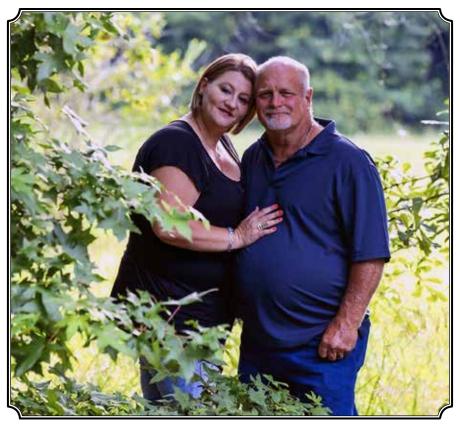














### **Pallbearers**

Justin Creamer Kory Williams Beaux Rivera Trent Smith Brandon Custer Greg Creamer

# **Honorary Pallbearers**

Hayden Williams Matthew Creamer

### **Interment**

Memory Gardens of Jefferson County Nederland, Texas

## **Memorial Contributions**

The Humane Society of Southeast Texas P.O. Box 1629 Beaumont, Texas 77704



Project Joy and Hope P.O. Box 511 Pasadena, Texas 77508

