



Keith Burton Borglum

November 11, 1926 - April 26, 2018

Keith Burton Borglum born on November 11, 1926 to Coronel and Bess (Strike) Borglum in Nashua, Iowa passed at his home in Windhaven at the Western Home Communities on April 26th, 2018.

At his family farm Keith was the youngest of four boys and adored his brothers. In 1940 he moved with his family to New Hartford and graduated in 1944. He went on to attend Iowa State University along with a few other schools to study engineering. He was proud of his life long involvement in the Freemasons and the Shriners. He aspired to grow up and be an inventor and engineer. Keith then started several businesses until he found his true calling and in his passion for engineering started Kay Industries in 1954, in Janesville IA, which is still in operation today.

In 1960 he met Joyce Nettleton, while dancing at the Electric Park Ball Room and Keith said he knew right away that she was the one he would marry. They were wed on September 21, 1960 in Galena, Illinois. They were married for 55 years when Joyce passed in late 2016. Keith (an avid lover of honey) would often joke with his great-grandchildren that Joyce was his favorite honey of all. Keith loved airplanes and got his pilot's license in 1968 and could often be found flying his Cessna airplane. He had a passion for learning and discovering new ways to engineer and improve things. Anyone that knew Keith knew how much he loved to tinker with things and he could always be found inspecting and questioning the way things were built and asking himself if there was a better way. Keith prided himself if inventing things that would

stand up to the test of time. The things he engineered weren't always flashy, but they were solid and reliable and the same could be said for him. As the patriarch of the Borglum family, which consists of three sons, their wives, eleven grandchildren, many spouses and twelve great grandchildren, Keith was a strong, reliable, and loving role model and an endless source of support and encouragement.

He is survived by his son Mike (Jo) Borglum of St Charles, MO, their children Brooks (Tasha), Kyle (Kristi) their children Austin and Adelyn, and Jennifer. Chris (Danice) Borglum of Cedar Falls, their children Lytishya (Liz) and their children Jaclynn, Kayden, Berlyn, Christian, Kherrigan and Landon, Brandee and her sons Marly and Marshall, Tanner (Lindy), Summer, and Kristyn (James), Larry (Lisa) Borglum of Janesville, IA their children Amanda Ann (Ryan) Stark their daughters Aaliyah and Jaelynn, Megan (Jared) Hartwig and their daughter Mya, Nick (Amanda Lynn) and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his three brothers: Paul, Don and Bob Borglum. Funeral Services will be 11am Monday, at First United Methodist Church in Cedar Falls. Visitation will be from 2-5pm Sunday, AT THE CHURCH, located at 8th and Clay, and also one hour prior to the service. Burial will be in Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be directed to the First United Methodist church, Cedar Valley Hospice, or Shriners Hospitals for Children.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **29**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
718 Clay Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
<http://aboutfirst.com>

Funeral Service

APR **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
718 Clay Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
<http://aboutfirst.com>

Burial

APR **30**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(319) 233-6136

Tribute Wall



“ *From your friends and co-workers at White-Rodgers. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.*



From your friends and co-workers at White-Rodgers. - April 30, 2018 at 08:48 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.*



April 29, 2018 at 09:32 AM



“ *Our favorite memory is when Kay and Joyce were in Texas visiting us on their way to Florida for a show. He was pulling his new stadium steps behind the car. We advised them that maybe going to Florida just now as a hurricane was bearing down on the state was not such a good idea. Stay and have another waffle. He loved my waffles. Uncle Kay always the optimist said we will be fine. And off they went. A day later Joyce called. They were headed for Iowa. Yup that hurricane was really coming. !*

Karen and Bruce Ringleb

Karen Ringleb - April 29, 2018 at 08:45 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.*



April 28, 2018 at 04:22 PM



“ *So happy we got to spend time with Keith at Mya's party. Love and prayers to all the family. Al and Jo*

Jo LaMar - April 28, 2018 at 03:01 PM



“ *Your friends at Recreation Management purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.*



Your friends at Recreation Management - April 27, 2018 at 06:03 PM

TH

“ *Mr. B will greatly be missed. I still remember the sock monkey costume I made for Halloween and brought it to work. He just had to try it on. Somewhere there are pictures :) . I also remember when he "out grew" the office he had down stairs and moved upstairs with us. Chris told him "don't be piling papers up here like you did down stairs." So when he would print off anything, he put them behind the printer so Chris couldn't see them. I would watch as he did this, and he would put his finger to his mouth as to motion "shhhhh". Needless to say, the paper pile out grew the space by the printer. we will miss all the good times!!*

Tina Hanna - April 27, 2018 at 06:02 PM

BN

“ *Borglum nieces and nephews purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.*



Borglum nieces and nephews - April 27, 2018 at 05:47 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.*



April 27, 2018 at 05:24 PM

JL

“ John and Aida Gravlee and all at Furniture Leisure purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.



John and Aida Gravlee and all at Furniture Leisure - April 27, 2018 at 05:20 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.



April 27, 2018 at 05:13 PM

FS

“ From your Family at Summit Supply purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.



From your Family at Summit Supply - April 27, 2018 at 04:42 PM

JG

“ Keith, years ago, kept a desk full of stuff....stacked up stuff, a lot of stuff. I could never quite keep up with his full desk but often used a picture of Keith's "trophy" desk to defend my messy desk! The small time I spent with Keith doesn't compare with his lucky family and employees! What a wonderful life he led! Honored to have known him.

John Gravlee - April 27, 2018 at 04:29 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.*



April 27, 2018 at 04:22 PM



“ *All of us at Waterloo Tent & Shade Creations purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Keith Burton Borglum.*



All of us at Waterloo Tent & Shade Creations - April 27, 2018 at 04:20 PM



“ *Keith,*

I remember spending 3 hours talking to you at a Piano bar about everything from cookies to running a business. I'm so sorry to hear you've passed but am so glad to have gotten to spend time over the years with such an incredible guy.

*-Nick Paradise
Jayhawk Plastics Inc.*

Nick Paradise - April 27, 2018 at 03:54 PM