



Kurt Meadows

March 5, 1980 - May 25, 2005

Mr. Kurt Matthew Meadows age 25, of Richlands, Virginia departed this world of pain and suffering and went to his heavenly home on May 25, 2005 at UNC Hospitals, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. Kurt was the son of Don and Lynn Meadows of Richlands, Virginia. He was a lifelong resident of Richlands, Virginia. He graduated with honors from Richlands High School Class of 1998. He was unanimously voted Prom King in his senior year. Kurt attended and graduated with honors and an Associate Degree in Computer Aided Drafting and Design from Southwest Virginia Community College in 2002. He was a member and past officer of Phi Theta Kappa. Kurt was a world record holder with the Guinness Book of World Records with a key chain collection of 24,810. Kurt was a member of Gethsemane Baptist Church in Richlands, Virginia and a member of Green Valley Church of God in St. Albans, West Virginia. Kurt was preceded in death by: One brother: Donal R. Meadows II; Maternal Grandparents: Cecil P. and Virginia A. Murrey; Paternal Grandfather: Donal Meadows; Maternal Aunt: Sandra M. Hague. Survivors in addition to his parents are: One Brother: Kevin M. Meadows and wife, Sylvia Spring of Belfast, Virginia Paternal Grandmother: Theresia V. Meadows of Charleston, West Virginia One Aunt: Pamela J. Dodson and husband, James E. of St. Albans, West Virginia 2 Uncles: Gregory B. Meadows and wife, Lisa of Charleston, West Virginia Edward J. Hague of Charleston, West Virginia One Niece: Olivia H. Meadows 12 Cousins also survive. Funeral Services for Mr. Kurt Matthew Meadows will be conducted Saturday, May 28, 2005 at the

Gethsemane Baptist Church in Richlands, Virginia at 11:00 a.m. with the Rev. Jim Denton, Rev. Hugh Whitfield and Rev. David Bowen officiating. Entombment will follow in Tyler Mountain Memory Gardens in Cross Lanes, West Virginia. Pallbearers will be: Jay Hague, John Hague, Jim Hague, Joseph Dodson, Josh Dodson and Kevin Trimble. Honorary Pallbearers will be: Michael and Madeline Weiner. Friends may call at the Gethsemane Baptist Church in Richlands, Virginia for a Celebration of Kurt's life on Friday evening from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Memorial Contributions may be made to: DebRA of America, Inc., 5 West 36th Street, Suite 104, New York, NY 10018.

Tribute Wall



“ *Kurt Meadows*

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“ *Our deepest sympathies to the entire family.
Kurt will be greatly missed and fondly remembered!
You are all wonderful, good-hearted people...we will miss you all
around the dental clinic.
Much love,
Dr. Hop, Dr. Kwa, and Liam*

Matthew Hopfensperger, Sian Kwa, and Liam - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ *Kurt and Family,*

*Thanks so much for all that you have taught us about family, humor,
wit, endurance, and EB. I know that I speak for the department and
Dr. Briggaman when say that we miss our chats and laughs during
your visits to Chapel Hill. We have been blessed to be involved with
Kurt's care. We will always hold you dearly in our hearts.*

Dean Morrell - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

TH

“*When he shall die, take him and cut him out in little stars and he will make the face of heaven so fine that all the world will be in love with night....*”

I will always remember Kurt. He taught us all a lesson about courage, about patience, about grace.

Terrence Holt - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

CW

“*I was so very honored to be acquainted with him. He had such a loving spirit never complained, never letting anything get him down. We graduated the same year 1998 from RHS. And I was there on Prom night I'll never forget the look on his face when they announced he was Prom King (it was priceless). I also got better acquainted with him at SVCC having lunch with him several times enjoying him laugh and tell jokes. He will be always be loved and Missed.*”

Cleressa C. Ward - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

BF

“*I, like everyone who met Kurt, was so impressed with his wonderful, unflinching positive attitude and sense of humor in the face of such adversity. What a blessing it was for me to be his Spanish teacher for two years! I'll never forget the fun we had making puns out of the word "toro"! What a wonderful, loving and dedicated family Kurt has! I know that your tireless dedication to his care was what enabled him to stay with us for his 25 years - God bless you! He was truly a loving, kind person who will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered.*”

Barbara (Jessee) Awbrey & family - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Dear Lynn & Don,

Kurt was an amazing young man that I had the pleasure of teaching. He showed me that no matter the obstacle, Kurt always gave his best and made it happen. I will always keep his memory in my heart. Please know that your family is in our hearts and prayers.

Leanne Hankins

Leanne Hankins - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ *Kurt was a wonderful and spirited young man. Our time together was precious and I will miss his sense of humor and delightful smile. My deepest sympathy to family.*

Tim Wright - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

HH

“ *Don,lynne, & kevin*

I just wanted to express my sympathy for your loss as everyone else has said Kurt was and is an inspiration to everyone blessed enough to know him. He will be greatly missed. Please know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers and know that kurt is soaring among the angels know and he will forever be a light unto me.

*Thanks for being you Kurt and don & lynne & kevin thanks for your wonderful inspiration!! love you guys
Heather Horne*

Heather Horne - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ Don and Lynn,

I want to express my sincerest heartfelt sympathy for all of you during this extremely difficult time. While I was Kurt's homebound teacher for two years, it was I that learned the most. Kurt taught me that living was to make everyday as wonderful as it can be. Watching him fulfill his dream with his keychains, being dedicated to his education and living his life with love and laughter. He was a remarkable young man, and he has touched my life forever. Having a son myself now, I often think of the time I spent in your home and how Kurt was loved by everyone. I will always remember Kurt's laugh, it was genuine and precious, just as he was. It is my prayer that you and yours find comfort and strength during your loss. I know that Kurt is not in pain any longer, and that he is with our Lord, smiling that beautiful smile and laughing that wonderful laugh, watching over his family now, just as you watched over him while he was here on Earth. My prayers are with you and yours always.

Melissa Nipper Honaker - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Kurt was an incredible man. He broke all the rules from the time he was born right up until he left us.

By sharing his knowledge and experiences with EB, he has made an enormous impact on others enduring the daily fight with this disorder. He taught me so much about living with EB, not just about surviving with it. I have been able to help many other EB families through the knowledge and perspective I gained from Kurt. His contribution has been enormous! I appreciate how he helped me professionally but on a personal level, I am a better person for having known him. He deeply touched me, my husband and my children. Among other things, he taught us that "If you can dream it, you can make it come true!" He will continue to motivate me to keep working with EB and ultimately, hopefully, to help find a cure! Thank you Kurt, from your EB Community.

*Much love,
Madeline Weiner*

Madeline Weiner - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

BU

“ I'll always remember the courage and joy that Kurt held on to as he approached each new day. I'll also remember the gentle and sweet nature Lynn and Don brought into the room. It was an honor to be a part of your journey. With love, Barbara Usher

Barbara Usher - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ Don & Lynn,

Just a note to let you know that we are praying for you. God blessed you with a very special son. Kurt was also blessed to have you to care for him with such love for these 25 years. I know we haven't been able to see each other as much these last few years, but we think of you often. We love Kurt and we will never forget his life! He was an inspiration to so many!

I thankful that we have the promise of God's word; to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord! Remember you can't lose something when you know where it's at! We will see Kurt again!

We are praying for you! We are hoping to attend the service tomorrow.

May God comfort you and encourage you during these days.

Your long time friends...the Pauleys

Roger & Marcia Pauley - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *I first became acquainted with Kurt at the rec park party after our high school graduation. For years, I often saw him at the Richlands movie theater, and when we later became friends through our involvement with Phi Theta Kappa, found we shared the same love of movies. Kurt was extremely bright and had wonderful insights into so many topics. He was caring, often hilarious, and had a great laugh. Unfortunately, the friendship we established waned after I graduated from SVCC, but I was always curious about his keychain acquisitions. I never thought I'd see this day because Kurt was so full of life. He will continue to be that way in my memory.*

Jenny Brown - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *It was truly an honor knowing Kurt. His love and zest for life was like none other. He was a hero to all of us who attended school with him. He taught us to never give up. Like Cleressa, I was there the night he received the Prom King honors. It was truly a spectacular moment and I am blessed to have been able to share in that. He taught the class of 1998 more about life and caring than anybody ever had or ever will. Kurt was an inspiration and a light to everyone who knew him. I will miss him dearly.*

Michael McBride - May 25, 2005 at 12:00 AM