



## Kim Edward Houdashelt

May 20, 1961 - May 10, 2026

Kim Houdashelt, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend, passed away on May 10, 2026 at the age of 64

He is preceded in death by his father and mother Howard Raymond and Violet Bryant Houdashelt, sisters Clara (Gary) Ingle, Jill Simmons and son Joey, Dorothy Zierk.

He is survived by his wife Terri Houdashelt, sister Robin Ward and Etta (Ronnie) Stanley, brother Kerry Houdashelt. Children and grandchildren; Brandy (Jim) Stiffler, Kyra Klotzbach, Erika (Chuck) Blackburn, Deacon and Peytience, Sam (Jennifer) Son, Declan and Nolan, Alex Son, Lincoln, Espin, Drew, Karah (Mike) Kellogg, Cameron (Samantha), Kyson, Josiah, Jeremiah, Lucas, Abby (Jesse) Boss, Wyatt, McCoy, Callahan, Tommy, Joanna, Nathan Son, granddaughter Addi VanGilder In-Laws Laura (Pete) Leroy, John (Terri) Leroy, numerous nieces and nephews and lots of friends he considered family.

He will be remembered above all as a hero. In an act of courage and selflessness, he saved his grandson, an act that reflected the kind of man he was throughout his life. He put others before himself and showed unwavering love and protection for his family and friends.

He loved everybody, and everybody loved him. Known for his kind heart and

generous spirit, he had a way of making people feel welcome and cared for wherever he went.

He dedicated 30 years of his life working at CTS, where he was respected for his hard work, commitment, and integrity.

Outside of work, he had a deep love for motorcycles. He cherished time on the open road, especially during family road trips that created lasting memories. He loved spending time with his grandkids. He was a devoted sports fan cheering on the Kansas City Chiefs, the Kansas Jayhawks, and the Humboldt Cubs, sharing that passion with family and friends.

A memorial service will be held at Faith Assembly of God Church in Humboldt on Saturday, May 16, 2026 at 4pm. A live feed will be available with the church.

He will be deeply missed , but his legacy of courage, kindness, and love will live on in all that knew him.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Humboldt USD 258. Donation can be left with Countryside Funeral Home at 101 N Highland, Chanute KS 66720. All donations will go to Humboldt USD 258 to provide CPR for all students.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY 16. 4:00 PM (CT)

Faith Assembly of God Humboldt  
1019 N. Ninth  
Humboldt, KS 66748

# Tribute Wall

BK

“ *Brildon Klingensmith*

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**Brildon Klingensmith** - May 17 at 07:04 PM

MD

“ *Well, moving forward I will always miss my good friend, Kim. I feel even more privileged to call Kim my friend, after he truly died a hero's death the way he did.*

*There is no greater deed than to lay down one's life for another.  
(Truly Christ-like)*

*I would like to send my sympathy to my friends, Etta and Ronny, and all of Kim's family and his many, many friends.*

*R. I. P. my friend. Sincerely, and with best wishes, ....Mike Dillon*

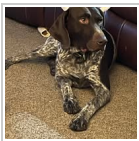
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**Michael Dillon** - May 16 at 04:23 PM

UK

“ *Uncle Juan, Aunt Misty and kids purchased the S imply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Kim Edward Houdashelt.*



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**Uncle Juan, Aunt Misty and kids** - May 14 at 07:20 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. He was a true hero without a doubt, my heart breaks for you.*

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**Corky Lynes** - May 14 at 05:46 PM

PB

“ *Etta, I am so very sorry for your loss. I just can't fathom how heavy your heart is right now. Kim was a very nice, forthcoming gentleman. You as well, being a kind thoughtful person. I will never forget you breaking your arm at the cabin. You just bounced up and said, my arm is broke and I gotta go to the hospital. You left Janice and I speechless. Kim would have been the same way.*

Pat Barnhart - May 13 at 02:10 PM

PB

“ *Pat B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kim Edward Houdashelt.*

Pat B. - May 13 at 12:15 PM



“ *Kim and I go back 52 years when we first met and became friends immediately. We spent many times together through thick and thin getting into mischief and causing trouble. We created memories that we would often reminisce about and spend hours just laughing. I will miss him as he was my brother in so many ways. May God take you and keep you in his grace and I will see you on the other side my brother.*

Ronald Barton - May 13 at 09:58 AM

CL

*I too remember kim he was a very sweet guy then up to the day our lord took him home its been a great knowing u rip kim god please protect kims family and his freinds az well rip*

Connie barton lynes - May 14 at 10:03 PM

RB

“ Growing up with Kim was a lifetime of fun and we were hellions. We shared the good, bad, and indifferent times but always had fun doing it. I loved him as my brother, and he will be missed more than words can express.

*Rest in peace my brother and see you on the other side.*

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**Ronald Ray Barton** - May 13 at 09:41 AM

RH

“ I got to know Kim roughly 41years ago we kept in touch about once a month by phone, sometimes I'd stop by and visit when I would see him at his truck. My good friend will surely be missed by all that knew him. RIP my friend.

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**Robert Hill.** - May 12 at 08:24 PM

MG

“ He is and always will be a Big Hero !! 🙏🏻😊  
*From Kevin and Marcia Gough*



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**Marcia Gough** - May 12 at 02:45 PM

WB

“ Thank you kim



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**Wendy Barker** - May 12 at 02:11 PM

EA

“ *Earnest lit a candle in memory of Kim Houdashelt*



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**Earnest** - May 12 at 09:23 AM