



## D. Keith "Pappy" Houston

November 7, 1941 - June 16, 2019

Drexel Keith "Pappy" Houston, 77 of Bloomington, Indiana, passed away on Sunday, June 16th at home surrounded by his family.

Pappy was born November 7, 1941 in Bloomington. He graduated from Bloomington High School in 1960. He served in the US Army for 8 years where he was a cook. He started in construction helping build the IU Musical Arts Building. Pappy was a REALTOR® and held his broker license for over 50 years. He was an entrepreneur and an Uber driver. Pappy was a longtime coach, teacher and mentor to so many. He coached football, gymnastics, strength & conditioning, track, baseball and basketball over the years. He was also one of the original founders of the youth football association in the 1980s. Pappy's greatest loves were his grandchildren. He never missed a day spending time with them. He coached several of their sports and attended everything they were in. He drove them to and from practices, picked them up from school, and watched them during school breaks.

Pappy is survived by his wife Diana (Humphrey), children Shawntel Alexander (Mike), Nicki Bland (Dirk), Drex Houston (Wendy), grandchildren Michaela & Mackenzi Alexander, Kourtlyn & Kyra Houston, and Alex Bland.

He was preceded in death by grandson Baby Kyler Alexander.

Celebration of Life will be Tuesday, June 25th from 6-9 pm at the American Legion Post 18. We will have a pitch-in dinner. We will provide the main course. If you would like to bring a side dish or dessert that would be great. At 7:30 pm we will have a prayer and share. If you would like to share anything

about Pappy, we would love to hear from you.

In lieu of flowers, we are setting up "Pappy's Memorial Account" at Peoples State Bank.

You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence for Pappy's family at [allencares.com](http://allencares.com)

# Tribute Wall

AB

“ Diana, we were so sorry to learn this week of Keith's passing. Your brother and sister-in-law have been sharing updates on his health and when I asked about him, I was told the sad news. He was so well-liked by everyone who met him and must have been a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather. We had not seen him for many years but will always remember his great smile and sense of humor! Our deepest condolences to you and your family, Steve and Aloma Billings

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**Aloma Billings** - July 25, 2019 at 01:59 PM

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“ The staff of the American Cancer Fund at [www.AmericanCancerFund.org](http://www.AmericanCancerFund.org) is sorry to hear of Keith's passing. We have received a memorial donation in his name and our sincere condolences go out to his family.

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**American Cancer-Fund** - June 25, 2019 at 11:42 AM

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“ Dear Nicki and family,  
My sincere condolences on your loss of Pappy. I just read his obituary and he was such a wonderful man.  
Thinking of you,  
Char Dapena

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**Char Dapena** - June 24, 2019 at 10:37 AM

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“ To the family of Keith "Pappy" Houston, his class of 1960 at BHS send our deepest condolences. My the Lord place His soothing and healing hands upon the family.

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**Susie Hamilton** - June 24, 2019 at 09:26 AM

DC

“ We were so sorry to hear of death of your husband, father and grandfather. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families to this time of sorrow. I will always remember his smiling face on Dairy show day and he was always willing to help anywhere needed. He was especially a great person to help out in the show ring cleaning up after the cows. He will be missed on every show day. Just keep him close to your hearts and keep the memories alive. We are so sorry we won't be able to make it to the celebration of life, but we will be thinking of you. We love you! Don and Sue Conder

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**Don & Sue Conder** - June 24, 2019 at 08:57 AM