



## Kimberly S. Hinton

April 14, 1971 - February 26, 2019

Kimberly S. Hinton, 47, of Bloomington, passed away on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at IU Health Bloomington Hospital. She was born on April 14, 1971 in Allentown, Pennsylvania; the daughter of Keith and Suzanne (Harr) Hinton.

Kim valued education highly. Having spent her childhood in Stewartstown, PA, she moved to Bloomington, IN, shortly after college to begin her graduate studies at Indiana University. She received her undergraduate degree from Penn State University with a B.A. in Russian and International Politics. Following her undergraduate studies, Kim began her extensive education at Indiana University where she received a Master's Degree in Russian Literature and a PhD in Theatre History, Theory, & Literature. Kim worked as an Academic Advisor at Indiana University in the Theatre, Drama, and Contemporary Dance Department, as well as the Gender Studies and Classical Studies Departments. All who knew her knew how passionate and knowledgeable Kim was about music, dancing, pop culture and literature along with traveling and cuisine. Most of all, Kim was a wonderful friend to all, deeply loved her family and cherished her time with her close-knit group of friends. Kim was a strong supporter of animal welfare and adored her Australian Shepard, Tadhg.

Kim is survived by her parents, Keith and Suzanne Hinton of Stewartstown, PA; brothers, Josh (Erin) Hinton of Portland, OR, and Erik (Rachel Syme)

Hinton of Brooklyn, NY; nephew, Xavi Hinton of Portland, OR; partner for over 20 years, Steve Jarosz of Bloomington, IN; close companion, Bret Popper of Chicago, IL, along with several aunts uncles, cousins, and countless friends.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandparents, Harold and Hellen Hinton of Pen Argyl, PA, and paternal grandparents Milton and Mildred Harr of Coopersburg, PA.

A Celebration of Life Gathering will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 2, 2019 at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Kim's memory to Monroe County Humane Society. You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to Kim's family at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Gathering

MAR 2. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory  
4155 S. Old State Road 37  
Bloomington, IN 47401  
(812) 824-5905  
<http://www.allencares.com>

# Tribute Wall

CO

“ Keith and Suzie, I am so very sorry for your heartbreaking loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Coleen - March 05, 2019 at 12:57 PM

RO

“ To Kim's family-wishing you peace and comfort at this time-Kim was always such a light and joy, so positive and helpful. I am so sorry for your loss-Roberta Wong- Theater, Drama, Contemporary Dance.

Roberta - March 01, 2019 at 11:15 PM

SF

“ Keith, Suzie, Josh & Eric- my thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. I know the pain you are experiencing. I hope your faith can comfort you at this time. It has been what is getting me through my loss of Marian. I will always remember Kim's smile. Another memory is when she and Steve were in Seven Brides for Seven Brothers at KD. If there is anything I can do for you let me know. I know Suzie I appreciated the time we talked at David's a few weeks ago. It was reassuring for me and a recall of good memories. May your grief and sorrow in the near future be replaced with fond memories of an amazing young lady.- Steve

Stephen R Freeman - March 01, 2019 at 05:28 PM

NH

“*Kim was one of my best childhood friends. I have so many memories of time spent with her that still make me laugh. Although we drifted apart a long time ago, her friendship is still dear to me. I am very sad to hear of the passing of such a dynamic and kind person.*

*My heart goes out to the Hinton Family.*

*Sincerely,*

*Nicole (Dougherty) Holcomb*

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**Nicole Holcomb** - March 01, 2019 at 04:35 PM

HM

“*My sincere condolences to all who loved Kim - myself among those people. Kim was a tremendous part of me making it through my PhD at IU because she made every classroom experience better by raising the bar of thought and curiosity, all while being one of the wittiest people I know. Her insights into representations of disability onstage shaped the way I understand theatre. And her accompaniment to a number of theatre productions was one of the best gifts during my time in Bloomington. I still find myself quoting her with some regularity. She had a way of summarizing everything in one really sharp sentence.*

*I send love to all.*

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**Heather May** - March 01, 2019 at 03:08 PM

AN

“ Kim was my mentor when I first began working as an Indiana University Bloomington undergraduate academic advisor. She took me under her wing as the previous academic advisor in these departments and taught me how to be an effective advisor. I owe my success in part to her guidance. Kim touched many people’s lives and left this world too soon. I will miss her and always appreciate her help in my first professional position.

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**Ania** - March 01, 2019 at 02:41 PM

JY

“ I went to graduate school with Kim. She was a wonderful person. A kind, compassionate heart, a vibrant intellect that was never smug, a genuine energy and caring that always caught me off guard because it was so genuine and earnest. May she rest in peace.

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**Jonathan Yukich** - March 01, 2019 at 01:36 PM



“ White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Kimberly S. Hinton.



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March 01, 2019 at 12:56 PM

JA

“ We are so blessed to have known Kim. She was ALWAYS so kind and so sweet. She always had a smile on her face and we were so lucky to have met someone like her. Such a wonderful soul... She will be truly missed! So sorry to the family and friends.

*Jamie and Jon Stuckey  
Brazil, IN*

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**Jamie** - March 01, 2019 at 12:45 PM

LL

“ Leanne Lake lit a candle in memory of Kimberly S. Hinton



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**Leanne Lake** - March 01, 2019 at 11:59 AM

LL

“ Kim: you were such a wonderful, lovely person, so active & vibrant which makes it even harder to comprehend your death. I have so many fond memories of you. I am so thankful to have known you. Rest In Peace my sweet friend!

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**Leanne Lake** - March 01, 2019 at 11:59 AM

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**Leanne Lake** - March 01, 2019 at 11:55 AM

HR

“ *Harold, Vienna, Seth, Zach, Kristina, and Rachael purchased the Simply Lily for the family of Kimberly S. Hinton.*



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**Harold, Vienna, Seth, Zach, Kristina, and Rachael** - March 01, 2019 at 10:31 AM

RG

“ *Kieth and Suzanne, so sorry to learn of your loss. I did not know Kimberly, but from what I read she was a wonderful person and cherished daughter. Kieth, you probably don't remember me, but I lived next door to your parents in Middletown, and we played baseball in the Babe Ruth League. Again, accept my heartfelt sympathies.*

*Rick Gold,  
York  
Rgold4@comcast.net*

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**rick gold** - March 01, 2019 at 10:21 AM

JS

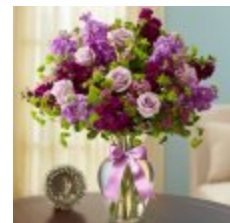
“ *Kim was an incredibly kind soul...*

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**Jon Stuckey** - March 01, 2019 at 06:31 AM

AM

“ *Aunt Mary Jo, Steven and Matthew purchased the Shades of Purple for the family of Kimberly S. Hinton.*



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**Aunt Mary Jo, Steven and Matthew** - March 01, 2019 at 02:29 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Kimberly S. Hinton.*



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February 28, 2019 at 11:38 PM



“ *Kim's laugh. Kim's smile. Kim's soft voice with the rising lilt when she was explaining something. The mischievous sparkle in her eye that would sometimes accompany that smile. The hallway conversations about Alphonse Mucha and art nouveau. So much of the day-to-day that I'd come to expect were gifts that will be so dearly missed. Kim was a generous and kind spirit, and a friend to colleagues. Kim was the welcoming, trusted and guiding voice for our undergraduate theatre and dance students. Sending wishes of peace and comfort to Kim's family and friends during this painful time. May you find joy as you share your memories of such a remarkable and lovely soul.*  
*Linda Pisano, Chair*  
*Department of Theatre, Drama, and Contemporary Dance*

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**Linda Pisano** - February 28, 2019 at 09:30 PM

KH

“ Kim and I were in the same cohort of new College of Arts and Sciences advisors. She was always an admirably calming force among her colleagues. I was inspired by her completion of her PhD, as I continue to plod along towards the same goal. Kim was a lovely example to all of us who worked with her.

*Peace and prayers,*

*Krystie Herndon*

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**Krystie Herndon** - February 28, 2019 at 08:41 PM

AW

“ Kim was my first best friend. I have so many memories filling my mind of rolling down a hill, sinking Air supply and Blondie in her room, ( she had the best room ever!), riding bikes and general silliness. Her family was my second family until I moved to NY when I was 13. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you now. Much love and many hugs being sent your way! - love, Annie Woodrome

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**Annie Woodrome** - February 28, 2019 at 08:17 PM

AN

“ Kim was an amazing colleague and an amazing friend. I won't forget her sense of humor, her quirky taste (we bonded over the movie Xanadu), and her unfailing generosity. I hope she knows how she will be missed.

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**Anna** - February 28, 2019 at 06:35 PM

AN

“ Kim and I shared a dismal, windowless closet/office in the bottom floor of the Student Building when I first was hired as an advisor in the College. Of course we weren't in the cramped space together when one of us was meeting with a student, but we were often in that office space together when we were both working but not meeting with students, our respective desks almost touching. Kim was a delight to share that space with, and her wry sense of humor, insightful commentary, creative and colorful powers of observation, and sage advice always brightened those dreary basement confines for me during those early advising days. She understood when I didn't understand, and when I needed to be heard and understood because of some work problem, she heard and understood me. She really helped me through some rough times. I will always remember her for that. She was wonderful and I will miss her.

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**Andy** - February 28, 2019 at 05:29 PM

LS

“ Dear Family and Friends of Kim,  
Kim was an extraordinary person - beautiful, kind, and loving. She had endless patience for the students she advised; they loved her dearly. She was a trusted colleague and friend. Kim is irreplaceable, and we will miss her every single day on the second floor of the Theatre and Drama Center.  
Please accept my deepest sympathies and condolences.  
Sincerely,  
Liz Shea

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**Liz Shea** - February 28, 2019 at 04:09 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White* was purchased for the family of Kimberly S. Hinton.



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February 28, 2019 at 03:05 PM



“ *I am so grateful that I had the privilege of knowing Kim. She was so sweet, smart, and amazingly funny. I will always remember her humor. My sincere condolences.*

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**Amanda Wood** - February 28, 2019 at 03:03 PM



“ *A shining light in your lives had been darkened in your lives. The day will come when you will see that beautiful familiar light again. Prayers from Plank Road to all of your families as you walk through this valley. You are loved.*

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**David McDowell** - February 28, 2019 at 03:00 PM



“ *Dear Keith, Suzie, and Family, Sincere condolences to you all. Kimberly lived a life centered in a love of learning and giving to others. May she Rest In Peace. God bless her and her family.*  
*Ellen Beifus*

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**Ellen Beifus** - February 28, 2019 at 01:20 PM

AG

“ Kim was one of the first people I met as a new student at Indiana University, and her warmth, smile, generosity, and listening spirit instantly made me feel cared for and loved. That feeling extended to each interaction I had with Kim. My prayers go out to the Hinton family during this difficult time.

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**Anna Guse** - February 28, 2019 at 12:11 PM

MC

“ Kim was a wonderful and warm person, and a great advisor to our department's students. We miss her greatly.

*Matt Christ  
Chair, Department of Classical Studies  
Indiana University, Bloomington*

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**Matt Christ** - February 28, 2019 at 11:59 AM

KE

“ God bless the Hinton family. Kim was a wonderful person and friend

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**Kelly** - February 28, 2019 at 10:10 AM