



Jonathan E. Kemp

November 28, 2024

Jonathan Edward Kemp, 60, passed away peacefully at Pathways Hospice on November 28, 2024.

Jon was born on June 13, 1964 to Jack and Marge Kemp in Columbus, Ohio.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years Suan Kemp; light of his life daughter Sarah Kemp; and his sisters Michele Versteeg (husband Aron, children Ann and Alex) Lauri Walters (son Logan), and Mary Clouda (husband Dan , children Mason and Hazel). Jon loved to attend as many family reunions and weddings he could.

Jon had an enjoyable and fulfilling career working as a brewer at Anheuser Busch (which was his second family) for 37 years. He also was proud to be part of the Master Brewers Association, and he made many wonderful friends there.

Jon enjoyed being part of a competitive 2-man volleyball team, and the local bowling league.

With his friends, he loved playing pool, cribbage, poker and participating in after work get togethers. He was also an avid football fan attending many CSU and Bronco games.

The family would like to express their gratitude to Jon's "AB family" , his neighbors, and the Pathways Hospice for their compassion and support during his final days.

Any donations can be made to Pathways Hospice. (<https://pathways-care.org/give-now/>)

Tribute Wall



“ To Jonathan's family.....

My name is Patrizia Wirth..... or my friends call me Trish.

I knew Jonathan through an online game that we both enjoyed for a number of years.

I felt like I had a lovely friend in Jonathan for so long, until one day communication just stopped. I knew he had problems with his back so I gave him time, hoping he was able to work out with his practitioner how they were going to attack the problem.

When I finally tried to catch up with him there was no availability of communication on messenger or Facebook.

I have only just discovered about his death recently I am in shock....

Please accept my sympathies. I am so so sorry

Over the last year or more I have truly missed his companionship. He was such a nice guy. Always had a kind word or a funny joke to tell. He always brightened up my day.....

*RIP dear Jonathan & God's blessings be with you all <3
Patrizia..... Sydney, Australia.*

Patrizia Wirth - February 06 at 12:46 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Patrizia Wirth - February 06 at 12:34 AM



“ Patrizia Wirth sent a virtual gift in memory of Jonathan Kemp



Patrizia Wirth - February 06 at 12:06 AM



“ My most recent memories are of Jonathan staying with us for my brother’s wedding and later, my dad’s funeral. We had some great conversations! I always loved hearing him talk about Uncle Ronnie (my dad). He was truly a sweet, kind, generous, loving soul. I will miss him dearly ❤️

Tammy Benefield - January 05, 2025 at 12:36 PM



“ Jon and I started at AB on Dec 14, 1987, we worked together all those years. He was a great friend and brewer, his thoughtfulness never surprised me always there to help. I was a Buff and he was of course a Ram we went round and round during football season. I enjoyed many a beer with him. Thanks Jonny you will be missed, looking forward to our next beer. GO BUFFS! 🤔🏈🍺

Ron Walker - December 17, 2024 at 09:22 PM

LU

“ Jonathan. Most of my memories of Jonathan are of him as a boy. Uncle Ronnie and I had the opportunity to live in your parents basement. In Saturday Jon and Laurie would come down early, jump on our bed to wake us up!!! No sleep for us. I always remember Jonathan's smile and the twinkle in his eyes. Love, Aunt Lucinda

lucinda - December 14, 2024 at 06:12 PM

MV

“ Michele Versteeg sent a virtual gift in memory of Jonathan Kemp



Michele Versteeg - December 14, 2024 at 03:56 PM

MV

“ Michele Versteeg lit a candle in memory of Jonathan Kemp



Michele Versteeg - December 14, 2024 at 03:54 PM

TS

“ I'm a part of Jon's Anheuser-Busch family. I worked at the Tour Center and Jon never made me feel like I wasn't part of the "Brewery". He would stop by a chat and make time to say hello if I was over on "that" side of the campus. We were always planning something fun for the next Master Brewers Association meetings, like the unveiling of a new beer or a beer pairing menu. When I left A-B in 2019, he followed my frog adventures in Peru on social media and shared encouraging posts when I was far away from my husband and friends. This continued during the lockdown of the pandemic when I got evacuated back home to Fort Collins. We hadn't seen each other in years. I will miss his sharing funny frog videos and posts on social media. He had a great sense of humor. I wish his family and friends find peace and comfort in their memories of Jon.

Tracy Stetzinger - December 14, 2024 at 11:00 AM

LW

“ Jon was a year older than me. As children, he was always my tormentor. He was especially enamored of giving my upper arm a middle-knuckle noogie. And they hurt! And he always had to top my score on any new video game we got. I was ever so thankful that he moved out to Colorado to be near my Mom and Dad. But once they died, he was so far away from me! I'm so happy that he had such a rewarding career and a beautiful daughter. I'm just so very sad of some of his choices that took him from us far too soon. He was about to embark on some fun adventures after retiring. I'm sorry I never got to see you one more time. When you were last happy and healthy. I'll love you forever my brother. I'm thankful you are at least at peace. I hope you are surrounded by all your Siamese kitties you were so fond of. I will always remember all our long conversations. One day we'll meet again, and you can be my guide in the afterlife. With many hugs, Lauri

Lauri Walters - December 13, 2024 at 01:59 PM

HG

“ 2 files added to the album JON



Harold Golden - December 13, 2024 at 01:51 PM

MD

“ *John has always been an engaging conversationalist with me. He also loved football and teasing me about the “Chefs” with any of their losses. He will be greatly missed!!*

Mandy Davis - December 13, 2024 at 12:03 PM

MC

“ *I'm having a hard time saying goodbye and every where I turn I see your smiling face. I'm really missing you big brother and I wish I could have been there for you more. Underneath it all you were a kind soul who deserved all the love in the world. Love, Mary*



Mary Clouda - December 11, 2024 at 01:43 PM

HG

Jon is my cousin, but more like a little brother. I remember when I had a paper route in Tucker around 1973-74. Jon would follow me on my paper route when he and the family were in town. Jon and his dad Jack always enjoyed card games, carroms and cribbage. We our families would get together we would play something well into the early morning hours. I remember walking up Stone Mountain for Easter sunrise services with Jon urging him to keep up.

Later he went to school in Atlanta at DeVry Tech and lived with my parents. Cindy and I were married at that time, but we still found time for a few card games. Time and distance took us a part, but we still called several times a year. In 2007 or 2008 we took a trip to Ft Collins. As a large family we drove up to the continental divide. Jon dropped his drawers for a mooning in front of the sign. That was Jon's sense of humor. In the last few years, I knew Jon was in pain and I prayed with him whenever we talked. I asked if we could get together. He asked me not to come out there and it never happen. You will be missed! I love you, Jon!

Harold Golden

Harold Golden - December 13, 2024 at 01:53 PM

MV

Jon, as your big sister, I always wanted to take you "under my wing". I wish we had lived closer to each other so we could have seen you more often.

You were always a kind hearted soul. We shared our love of each others children. We shared our love of our kitties. We had so much fun playing cards late into the night when we were younger. The time we went up to the Rocky Mountains and skied together is a treasured memory.

It still doesn't feel real that you are gone. Unfortunately, do to circumstances, Lauri, Mary and I have not had any true closure. But you will always be in our hearts.

Now that you have crossed over the rainbow bridge, you are no longer in pain.

Rest well my baby brother. I love you❤️

Michele Versteeg - December 14, 2024 at 03:48 PM