



## Mr. Kevin Harden Athow

November 21, 1963 - July 17, 2019

Mr. Kevin Harden Athow, age 55, of Arab, passed away on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at his residence.

Mr. Athow was born on November 21, 1963 in Madison County to Adelbert Morse Athow & Helen Lucille Harden. Kevin was an Arab High School graduate and enjoyed storm chasing, NASCAR racing, and Alabama football. He was also an airplane enthusiast and never met an animal he didn't fall in love with. He was a longtime photo journalist for both WAAY 31 and WAFF 48 news in Huntsville.

Kevin is survived by his fiancé, Pam Ashley; daughter & son-in-law, Lindsey Athow & Kevin Sullivan; grandchild, Caitlyn Sullivan; sisters, Sherrie Van Slyke (Fred); Denise Williams (Michael); brother, Keith Athow (Neal); nieces, Ashley Van Slyke, Allie Van Slyke, Kylie Williams; and nephew, Logan Suter. Preceded in death by his parents, Adelbert Morse Athow & Helen Lucille Athow.

A Celebration of Life event for family and close friends will be held this Fall. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that everyone share some of their favorite memories with Kevin on [www.arabheritagememorialchapel.com](http://www.arabheritagememorialchapel.com).

# Tribute Wall

KE

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Keith - July 23, 2019 at 03:44 PM

RA

“ I don't know where to start. I loved you from the minute I first saw you. We had some great times together. Our love for each other was nothing I had or will ever experienced again. You were an hilarious guy. We shared some wonderful memories in our little house in the country. Our time we had with Lindsay was so special! I will always cherish those days foreve. You are such a handsome man. You took my breath away. I know you are with Del and Lucille and all the pain is gone! Love you Kevin.

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Robin A Athow - July 21, 2019 at 12:47 PM

KE

Thank you, Robin, for these sweet and kind words in memory of Kevin. We will eventually recover but with wounded hearts.

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Keith - July 23, 2019 at 03:35 PM

JK

“ Me and Kevin spent many hours together hanging out and enjoying life. I seen him pretty much on a Dailey basis for years as he worked for 48 news in Huntsville, Al. We made some good memories together that I will never forget as long as I live. May he rest in peace and GOD be with his family. I feel your hurt and sorrow Lindsey! I lost my dad few years ago and know you will get stronger but you will always think of them. Remember the good times !!!!

Jay king - July 20, 2019 at 11:14 AM

KE

Thank you for your kind words in memory of Kevin, Jay.

Keith - July 23, 2019 at 03:32 PM

ML

“ Kevin was the sweetest and one of the most gorgeous guys that walked the halls of Arab High School! I had the privilege of getting to “hang out” with Kevin, back in the day! I will hold those memories close to my heart forever. I am privileged to know his daughter, Lyndsi and call her my friend! My heart aches for this family. RIP sweet Kevin 🙏🙏🙏

Missy Lake - July 20, 2019 at 09:05 AM

LA

Love you Missy! Thank you for sharing...

Lindsay Athow - July 20, 2019 at 09:35 AM

KE

Thank you, Missy. Very nice of you to remember Kev like this. <3

Keith - July 23, 2019 at 03:33 PM

SJ

“ I had the biggest crush on Kevin in school. He was the cutest guy ever. His smile was contagious. We were just kids, I think it was 7th grade I'm not sure. Kevin got a motorcycle. He came over on it, he drove me around in my yard because I was not allowed to go on the road. It was in my yard, on that motorcycle that I got my first kiss from a boy. Lol. Yes it was Kevin! He talked me into it by saying..."ok, your first name is Sherri, your middle name is Denise, that's my two sisters names so it's all good! 🙏😊

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**sherri Justice** - July 19, 2019 at 11:11 PM

KE

*Thank you, Sherri.*

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**Keith** - July 23, 2019 at 03:31 PM

RH

“ I still find this hard to believe. I will always remember all the talks and the help you gave me. All the friends that I met through you. All the times you had me come by the news station to just hang out. The countless times we met at the Mexican restaurant in Hazel Green. You were always willing to help anyone. You are truly one of a kind. You will be missed and I love you bro

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**Robby Hayes** - July 19, 2019 at 10:55 PM

KE

*Thank you, Robby. I remember hearing Kevin mention your name over years. I am his only younger brother, Keith.*

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**Keith** - July 23, 2019 at 03:32 PM

KC

“ I don't know anyone that didn't love Kevin. He was one of the sweetest guys in our class. I have so many memories with Kevin growing up. When I was in high school, Kevin decided I needed to go out riding around with him in his big car. Let me just put it this way, Kevin loved speed! He had me in the floor board begging to let me out while he couldn't stop laughing. I remember when he would ride his motorcycle over to my house and take me for a ride. I remember all of our fun at band camp! Who didn't like the drummers?!

Kevin always made me smile! He was best man at mine and Tim's wedding. I remember Kevin making me laugh as we were taking wedding photos. I loved him for being Tim's best friend, I loved him because he always made me smile, I loved him just because he was so awesome! I thank God for the friendship I had with Kevin!

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**kerri clemons** - July 19, 2019 at 10:20 PM

KE

*Thanks for your sweet, special memories and kind words Kerri.*

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**Keith** - July 23, 2019 at 03:29 PM

RB

“ Growing up together we would spend countless summer nights playing until our parents called us in we would camp together and spent many days at Guntersville state park Kevin when I reminisce of days past you will be among the finest memories

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**Rickey Bearden** - July 19, 2019 at 09:18 PM

KE

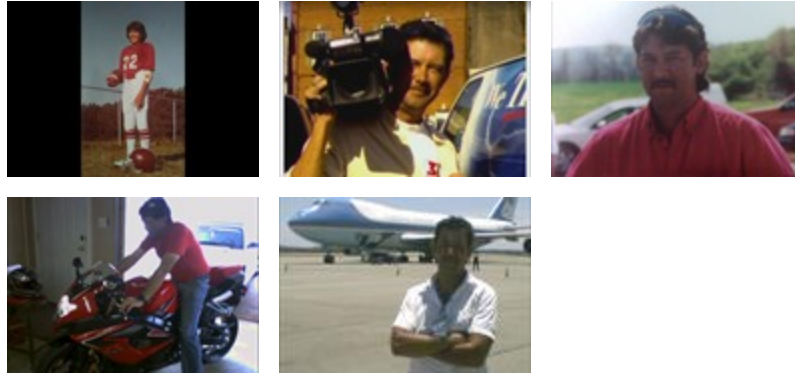
*Thank you for these kind words, Rickey.*

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**Keith** - July 23, 2019 at 03:28 PM

KA

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**Keith Athow** - July 19, 2019 at 08:10 PM

KA

“ Kevin, I still just can't believe this is real. I find myself still in a daze and trying to wake up. You were a wonderful big brother growing up..always ready to come to my defense and help if someone wanted to pick on me. You're the reason I joined the band and wanted to follow in your footsteps and play percussion. I will miss you forever, and I hope you know how very much I loved you in life and will continue loving you forever. Please give Mom and Dad big hugs from us and rest in eternal peace in the presence of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

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**Keith Athow** - July 19, 2019 at 05:34 PM

LA

“ Dad....

*I have so many fond memories. I would love to go to the Huntsville Speedway with you while you shoot some highlights for the news on Saturday nights. You're the reason I enjoy standing outside & watching the weather, stars, & tornadoes. I remember catching little frogs at your house & I would hide them in a drawer in my room & when each one died you would help me put them in a box & you would help me bury them. Remember by the time I remembered I had them they were already dried up... lol. You are the funniest person I know. I even find myself rocking out to a drum solo & i will smile. I thought I was big stuff getting to go to the WAAY 31 station & walk around. & when you worked in the studio on the 10:00 news I would watch & wait for you to wave at me those last few seconds before the commercial. Lol... I just hope you know how much I love you. Play with Bama & always no matter what watch over Caitlynn... we love you.*

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**Lindsay Athow** - July 19, 2019 at 03:04 PM

KA

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**Keith Athow** - July 19, 2019 at 03:50 PM