



Kylee Marie Hillman

December 6, 1990 - August 18, 2020

Kylee Marie Hillman was born December 6, 1990 in Provo, Utah to Keith and Wendi Hillman. She passed peacefully on August 18, 2020 surrounded by her devoted husband and loving family.

Kylee grew up in Utah County, graduating from Mountain View High School in 2009. She earned a BA degree in English Literature with a minor in Philosophy at Utah Valley University in 2013. Her life-long zeal for learning knew no bounds. She loved nothing more than sharing animal facts with anyone and everyone. She remains undefeated in family debates, one of her favorite activities. Even as a baby, there was nothing to do but concede to all that intelligent and passionate babbling.

With an incredible work ethic learned while working side by side with her dad in his outdoor retail shop, she continued on to a career in management with American Eagle Outfitters. Also at her daddy's knee and along with her brothers, she developed a passion for the outdoors and together they enjoyed every activity it provides from camping, backpacking, climbing and canyoneering to scuba diving to snow sports. Kylee and her brothers forged an exceptional bond through countless family adventures and a childhood full of laughing and bantering, in equal parts taunting, torturing and fiercely protecting each other.

Kylee found the love of her life and greatest champion, Kelly Crompton, in 2011 and they were blissfully wed on April 8, 2016. Her family settled into the back seat as the two of them became inseparable, finding absolute peace and comfort in each other. Together they shared a fairy-tale love story and a life filled with a love and passion for animals, the outdoors, traveling, literature and most of all each other. From beginning to end Kelly was at her side and her constant rock and hero.

Those closely associated with Kylee have great appreciation for her undying loyalty and amazing ability to assume kind intent in every interaction. A talented and self-taught artist, she spent her last few years creating beautiful and meaningful art. Due to her engaging, friendly personality and lightning-quick wit she made fast friends and admirers everywhere she went.

Kylee is survived by her husband Michael Kelly Crompton, her parents, Keith and Wendi Hillman, and her brothers, Nathan (Meckell) Hillman and Jesse (Amanda) Hillman. She also leaves behind her cherished nephew, Knox, and her beloved cuddle bunnies, King Richard the Lionheart and Henrietta the Transbunny.

She is preceded in death by Grandad Norman and cousins Lizzie and Lucas. The family sends a heartfelt thank you to her devoted and caring extended family and close friends, and to the exceptional team of medical professionals who fought so valiantly with her through her three-and-a-half-year battle and so compassionately helped ease her through her passing.

Please share memories and condolences at www.serenityfhs.com. A celebration of Kylee's life will be held on Tuesday, August 25 from 7:00-8:00pm. Those wishing to join this Celebration of Kylee's life are invited to connect to the webcast of this event on the ZOOM link:

Join Zoom Meeting

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Tribute Wall



“ Kylee Marie Hillman

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ Lisa Oyler lit a candle in memory of Kylee Marie Hillman



Lisa Oyler - August 25, 2020 at 10:12 PM



I consider myself blessed that my life path crossed Kylee's. She was light and love at it's best. While her soul has said goodbye to her body, her spirit will shine always in my heart and the hearts of those whose lives she touched. I met her through Mia and our book club and besides the stories we read, we created our own. One of the most memorable was the book "Haunted Utah" we read and the adventure of our ghost tour that followed. From Lilly Gray's grave to Ted Bundy's house and the coincidences we experienced that day. I will miss her smile and the joy that filled any room she entered. As Helen Keller once said, "What was once enjoyed and deeply loved, we can never lose. For all that we love deeply becomes part of us". Kylee, you will forever be part of us. Thank you for sharing your light in this world.

Lisa Oyler - August 25, 2020 at 11:01 PM



Of all the people who had a good reason to complain, cry, or be sad it was Kylee; and yet not once did I ever see her that way. She was always so positive and uplifting in everything she said. What a wonderful example & friend! So glad I got to know her. So sad it had to end, for now!

Annette Merzlock - September 01, 2020 at 10:57 AM



“ Stephen Street sent a virtual gift in memory of Kylee Marie Hillman



Stephen Street - August 25, 2020 at 09:37 PM



“ It has truly been an honor to be one of the many to know and love you!



Jodi Workman - August 25, 2020 at 08:33 PM

JL

“ I have many memories with Kylee, she was an amazing friend, we were always laughing, and she had such a loving heart. Miss you friend! ❤️



Jessica N Leavitt - August 25, 2020 at 07:12 PM



“ Kylee told me she loved me more times in my life than anyone besides my mom and maybe my husband... but I'm pretty sure she even beats him. She always made sure I knew she loved me no matter what. I hope she knew how much I love her and always will.

We moved to Orem the same year. She was probably the only reason I made any friends in Junior high. When I was 15 we were sitting on a bench in high school and she turned to me and said that we should be best friends now. And then we were. We used to get kids meals at Wendys (with diet coke, of course) and just sit and talk for hours. We'd write each other notes almost every day with a checklist of what we needed to talk about. We were always drawing each other pictures. She introduced me to diet coke, *The Office*, and having opinions (haha).

The summer after high school we found Payson Lake. We'd drive up the canyon and listen to country music and Jacks Mannequin. This summer as I wasn't able to spend time with her I've spent a lot of time there remembering our times together swimming to the middle of the lake and watching the clouds.

When I was in college she would come visit me in Logan. We went through faith transitions around the same time and she taught me about the transcendental movement, her atheism, and how she viewed the world. We watched the *Beatles Anthology* together and got *Beatles* tattoos together. All of my friends were in love with her, of course, and I always felt so lucky and proud to call her my best friend. Many friends from that time have reached out to me since her passing talking about how awesome and fun she was to be with. She had a way of making people feel very close to her very quickly. She always shortened everyone's names. She was the first person I was okay with calling me Chels.

We stood next to each other at our weddings. Talked each other through tough times in relationships. The way her and Kelly love each other has taught me a lot about loving and choosing someone

every day.

We would go for months without talking and then get together like no time had passed at all. She always reminded me she loved me. When she found out I was pregnant with my first she took me to Bombay House and brought me newborn socks. She said she refused to believe a baby's foot could be that small but I could use them for decoration. haha. She had the best sense of humor. She said things in the funniest ways. Kylee ways.

She was the only person who could say I shouldn't carry bear spray in the backcountry of Yellowstone because that's so mean and actually make me think twice about it. haha. She was the first person to convince me dogs are pretty wonderful.

When she was first diagnosed I went to her place and we sat and talked for a long time. She said she just felt so bad telling everyone. She had just been diagnosed with cancer and felt bad telling people because she didn't want them to be sad. That's who Kylee was.

We buried a time capsule in her parents backyard that we never got to open together. I'm so thankful that she took the time to do things like that. Things that felt really special.

I could go on forever. I love her forever. She shaped so much of who I am and I'm so so thankful for the time I got to spend with her.



“ To my granddaughter Kylee Marie,

When you were born I was so happy I could not wait until Christmas break to see you so grandpa put me on the plane and sent me to Orem Utah where I got to meet you for the first time. Your mom and dad looked so tired and said that you had kept them up all night, so they gave you to me and they went to bed. I just put you to bed with me and cuddled you and fed you, and we got to bond for a whole week. I played with your tiny toes and loved you so much.

As you grew, we came every summer to be with the family. When you were about 3 we were at your aunt Shaunna's and your aunts and uncles were playing games. Your grandpa and grandma decided to take the grandchildren out for a movie and ice cream. Your dad asked why he wasn't invited, and you turned around and said, because grandpa and grandma love their grandchildren more than their very own children, and on that note we left for the movie. For a treat everyone got to pick what they wanted. Everyone else got candy and popcorn but you wanted to get dill pickles. So Kylee and grandma got dill pickles and ate a whole dill pickle at the movie.

One weekend we took you and Kody for a camp out. What fun we had. When we took you home you cried because you wanted to go with us. It just about broke our hearts. Another summer after having such fun spoiling you kids, we got up early and snuck out so we would not have to say goodbye. When we got to Montana your dad called us and ask if we were coming back. We told him no we were on our way home. He said good because I have 3 very, very, spoiled children and I don't seem to be any fun. We said sorry but you know we love our grandchildren more than our very own kids. Just ask Kylee.

We have a CD your mom sent us where you sang with a group at a temple dedication. I have worn it out playing it and I can still hear you singing. I am your grandma and love you so very much.

Now you have a 2nd love, your baby Knox. I am so glad you got to meet him before you had to leave us. I wish I had room to write it all down, your graduating from college, your wedding, and the love we saw with you and Kelly. What a wonderful husband you chose.

Now you are gone, and so is the pain. I know your grandpa Normand met you and loves you so much. I am glad I know families are forever and someday we will all be together forever. We love you so much.

Grandpa and Grandma Hillman.

Maxine Hillman - August 25, 2020 at 05:38 PM



“ *Some of my favorite memories with Kylee involved bonding over literature. She would get so excited that she would lean forward, her eyes would light up, and she just seemed to glow as she passionately discussed her favorite books and authors. When I think of Kylee and what she's been through, I'm reminded of one of my favorite poems, “Still I Rise” by Maya Angelou. With every punch that life would throw, she would rise above it over and over again with courage, dignity, grace, and even humor. That strength of spirit is why she will always be one of my heroes.*

Becky Walker - August 25, 2020 at 05:25 PM

BM

“ *Keith, Wendi, & Family - With deepest sympathy, I am thinking about you. Wishing peace of heart, comfort of loved ones, and courage to face the days ahead. Sending virtual hugs to you all.*

- Brandi (Moore) Mattila



Brandi (Moore) Mattila - August 25, 2020 at 04:20 PM

JT

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Jason Turner - August 25, 2020 at 02:11 PM

KK

“ Kylee, you were such a wonderful persons with a beautiful soul. I always looked up to you. Your fierce independence was something I frequently tried to model in my own life. When you found Kelly I remember thinking it seemed like a fairytale. I strove to find someone with whom I could share a love like that. Someone who treated me the way he treated you, who looked at me the way he looked at you. Kylee Marie, you will be sorely missed, thank you for the imprint you left on this world. We love you.

Karissa Kitchen - August 25, 2020 at 01:41 PM



“ Love you Kylee Marie❤️ I will always remember you as the little girl who loved being read to. Even as a child you would amazed me by intelligent and profound conferences we would have when the stories were done. My family and I would like to send out condolences.



Scott Hillman - August 24, 2020 at 09:38 PM

AN

“ Kylee was one of the most generous, open, thoughtful and loving people that I ever had the pleasure to know. We haven't been able to spend as much time together in the last little while as I would have wanted, but we were able to get together for all of the big life stuff. I am comforted by the thought that she and Kelly were able to fulfill so many life goals and dreams over the last few years. It has been incredible to see the love that they had for each other and how they took care of one another. I will be forever grateful that I got to have the years with Kylee that I had. Love you forever Kylee.



Amanda Nelson - August 24, 2020 at 09:30 PM

DK

“ It meant the world to us that Kylee and Kelly were able to come out to California for our wedding. It was a blast breaking it down on the dance floor with them! Our hearts are heavy. Sending our condolences to the Hillman and Crompton families. ❤️ Daniel and Cassie Kerr



Daniel Kerr - August 24, 2020 at 09:08 PM

JB

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Jony Bassett - August 24, 2020 at 08:27 PM

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Amy Hillman - August 24, 2020 at 07:12 PM

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Amy Hillman - August 24, 2020 at 06:53 PM

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This one just makes me happy!

Amy Hillman - August 24, 2020 at 06:55 PM

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Amy Hillman - August 24, 2020 at 06:47 PM

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I love this picture, you guys look so happy! 😊

Amy Hillman - August 24, 2020 at 06:49 PM

SR

“ Kylee, I remember the first time I held you. It was soon after my mission; I was tired of the dating scene, yet I felt so lonely. When you were born, you filled my heart with light. I loved you the moment I saw you! From a little girl to a classy young lady, you have always added light and inspiration to my life.

The best thing ever was to watch you, a tiny spitfire, go toe to toe with my growl of a brother. You rarely conceded, and you often left my brother speechless, with no retort for your logic.

My favorite thing about you is your tenacity and loyalty. You love hard and completely. I believe these attributes are the reason you are loved so fiercely in return. Your life was full of complete love and adorations from your spouse, family, and friends.

Kylee, we will miss you, but your mark on this world will always be with us. Thank you for being a part of our life.

Shaunna Reynolds - August 24, 2020 at 02:17 PM

SH

“ Kylee was always so much fun to be around. She had a sarcastic darkside that always made me laugh!



Shanelle - August 24, 2020 at 02:05 PM

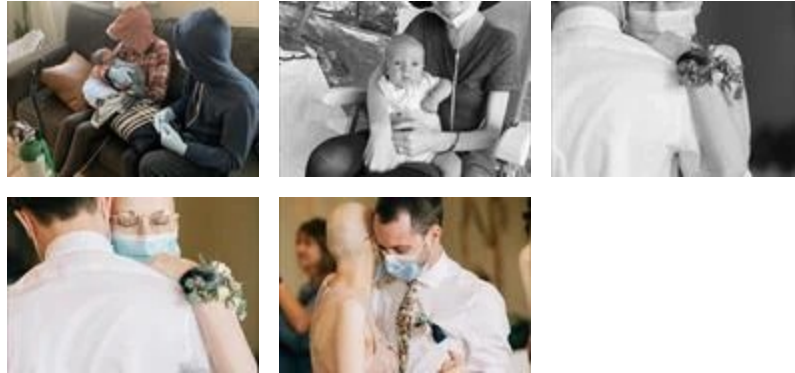
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“ Kylee was the strongest and bravest person that I know. Her love for life and positive perspective was such an inspiration. I have no doubt that everyone who met her, instantly loved her. I will miss you sweet girl. You'll forever be apart of my Lush club 🥹

Jenn - August 24, 2020 at 12:09 PM

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meckell hillman - August 24, 2020 at 03:43 AM

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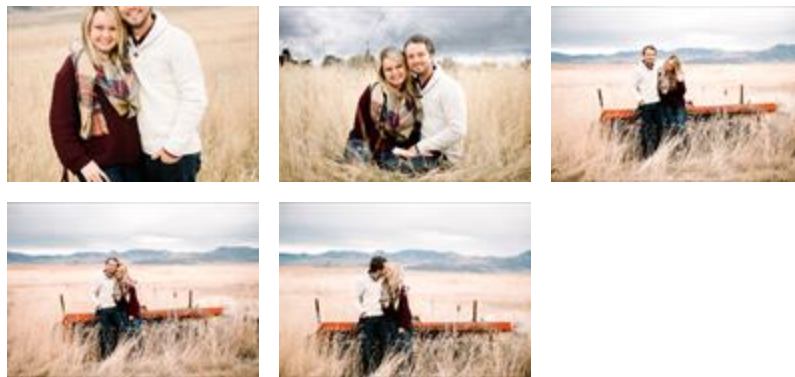
“ Love you Kylee



Lara Slade - August 23, 2020 at 05:19 PM

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Mia Crompton - August 23, 2020 at 03:14 PM

MC

We love you so much K<3 K

Mia Crompton - August 23, 2020 at 03:16 PM

MH

Kylee we love you so much

maxine hillman - August 25, 2020 at 10:02 AM

KC

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Kaylee Case - August 22, 2020 at 09:30 AM

KC

“ *The memories I made with Kylee are always looked back on with fondness. Kylee was an amazing friend.*



Kaylee Case - August 22, 2020 at 09:28 AM

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Serenity Funeral Home - August 21, 2020 at 03:43 PM