



## Kimberly Rene Ford

May 20, 1965 - May 20, 2024

Kimberly Rene Ford, 59, of Landenberg, Pennsylvania, went home to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, surrounded by her entire family on May 20th, 2024, after a short battle with cancer.

Kim was born on May 20th, 1965, in Chicago, Illinois to Eugene Finch and Sylvia Nelson Finch. After she graduated from Christiana High School in Newark, Delaware in 1983, she went on to study Finance and Accounting at the University of Delaware.

Kim unknowingly met her future husband at Pike Creek Valley Baptist Church when, after she arrived a little late into worship, he passed her his open hymnal. After a brief courtship, Kim married Christopher Ford in her dream wedding at Pike Creek Valley Baptist Church with a reception at the Three Little Bakers Dinner Theater. They honeymooned at the Grand Floridian in Orlando, Florida only three years after it had opened. It would be one of many family trips to Kim's favorite place, Walt Disney World. Kim and Chris were married for over 33 wonderful years and went on to raise 5 children together.

Kim graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting and worked for a time as an accountant at various locations throughout northern Delaware. It wasn't long before Kim then pursued her dream job of being a full-time homemaker shifting her focus toward raising and homeschooling her

children.

Kim trusted profoundly in the reality of the Gospel, and her affection for Christ was apparent in her devotion to her church family serving in numerous roles, including leading the Awana program, teaching Sunday school, and leading crafts and creating stunning atmospheres for Vacation Bible School. Other roles that extended beyond the church walls included homeschool co-op leader, Towle School parent, and basketball mom. Kim found joy in various hobbies from cooking to cake decorating, gardening, crafting, and party planning.

Among Kim's many loves were her faith in Christ Jesus, her family, and her community, but she reached the pinnacle of joy when she graduated to the role of 'grandma'. She relished any opportunity to gather the family for celebrations, whether for special events, holidays, or birthdays. Her love language was on full display in her thoughtful and creative gift giving. Her quirky sense of humor sparkled, particularly on Halloween and April Fool's Day, while her love of country shined on patriotic holidays, especially on her favorite holiday of all, the 4th of July.

Her kids and grandkids will always associate her with her most favorite things - Mickey Mouse, palm trees, reubens, watermelon, fireworks, giant pool floats, Veggie Tales quotes, flowers, sparkly things and fine jewelry, Dooney & Bourke bags, Typhoon Lagoon, Christmas ornaments, cookbooks, unique kitchen gadgets, guinea pigs, cows, and black lab puppies. She loved being pampered with regular nail and hair appointments and cherished moments spent lounging by the pool, soaking up the sun while perfecting her tan. She loved watching Food Network and Fox News, and for years, she forbade anyone from bothering her on weekdays from 5-6pm until she realized that she could actually record her favorite show, The Five.

Kim will always be remembered as a thoughtful and loving daughter, wife, mother, and grandma. She had a witty, humorous, creative, playfully mischievous, and feisty personality, and her boisterous and infectious laugh will be terribly missed. Always the fan of a celebration, Kim's family finds solace in the bittersweet fact that they were able to wish her a happy birthday one last time before she embarked on her final journey home, welcomed by the greatest birthday celebration she could have ever imagined.

Kim was predeceased by her father, Eugene Finch. She is survived by her mother Sylvia Finch, her husband Christopher, her daughter Alexis Ward (Thomas), her sons Mason (Stephanie), Hayden (Cameron), Harrison (Autumn), Clayton, and her granddaughters Hazel and Raegan. She will be greatly missed by all.

A visitation will be held Saturday, May 25, 2024, from 9-11 AM at Pike Creek Bible Church at 199 Polly Drummond Hill Road, Newark, DE 19711 followed by a service in celebration of Kim's life at 11 AM with a luncheon to follow. A private burial for immediate family will take place on a later date at Hickory Grove Cemetery in Middletown, Delaware. Flowers and condolences can be sent to the Fords' home address. To send an online condolence, visit [www.stranofeeley.com](http://www.stranofeeley.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Hickory Grove Cemetery

Port Penn Road  
Middletown, DE

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 25.** 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Pike Creek Bible Church  
199 Polly Drummond Hill Road  
Newark, DE

## Service

**MAY 25.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Pike Creek Bible Church  
199 Polly Drummond Hill Road  
Newark, DE

# Tribute Wall

DF

“ Dan DiOrio & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kimberly Rene Ford.

Dan DiOrio & Family - May 24, 2024 at 11:55 AM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



May 24, 2024 at 11:55 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



May 23, 2024 at 11:51 PM

KC

“ Kim, George, and Rose Cramer planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kimberly Rene Ford.

Kim, George, and Rose Cramer - May 23, 2024 at 05:55 PM

KC

“ Kim, George, and Rose Cramer purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



Kim, George, and Rose Cramer - May 23, 2024 at 05:55 PM

LF

“ Lisa Pak and family purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



Lisa Pak and family - May 23, 2024 at 01:25 PM

RF

“ Robert, Nancy and Families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



Robert, Nancy and Families - May 23, 2024 at 01:08 PM

RF

“ Robert, Nancy and Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kimberly Rene Ford.

Robert, Nancy and Families - May 23, 2024 at 01:08 PM

PM

“ Paul, Pauly, and Jeff McConomy purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



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**Paul, Pauly, and Jeff McConomy** - May 23, 2024 at 12:31 PM

MK

“ Mark, Nancy and Karen purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



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**Mark, Nancy and Karen** - May 23, 2024 at 10:08 AM

AR

“ I was first impressed with Kim’s creativity with the way she brought VBS to life. She inspired people to follow her directions and kept us organized. The underwater theme was my favorite. Then I was impressed to learn that she was the mother of five and was homeschooling her children. I remember sitting with her while we watched Clayton playing volleyball. She was so blessed that her children were so smart. This verse comforted me and I pray it blesses you. Isaiah 57:1-2 The righteous die young and no one takes it to heart. The Lord is sparing them from evil days ahead. ...I am so sorry you have to suffer this loss. Good mothers leave a big hole. If it were not for the Lord’s comforting presence, we would be without hope.

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**Anne Rodgers** - May 22, 2024 at 08:38 PM

DK

“ *Darlene Sammons Keil lit a candle in memory of Kimberly Ford*



Darlene Sammons Keil - May 22, 2024 at 07:56 PM

DK

“ *In times of sorrow, when words of comfort are needed most, it seems they are more difficult to say...But may you find comfort in knowing warm thoughts and deepest sympathy are with you 🙏 I am deeply saddened and my heart goes out to your family at this difficult time😞  
God Bless the family of Kimberly Rene Ford 🙏  
Darlene Sammons Keil*

Darlene Sammons Keil - May 22, 2024 at 07:51 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.*



May 22, 2024 at 03:42 PM

TR

“ Chris and family. There are no words to comfort you all in this time of grief, but we are happy to have seen and laughed with Kim and Chris when they were in Illinois in January. We talked for hours about when we were kids, and what all the kids are doing now. I will cherish all the memories I have. My Mom also sends her love. Love, Bob and Tina. Rest in Peace dear cousin. You will be missed by everyone who had the pleasure to know you.

Tina Rebman - May 22, 2024 at 03:38 PM

WJ

“ With love, John and Janet Jobes purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



With love, John and Janet Jobes - May 22, 2024 at 03:38 PM



“ Dear Chris & family, Our deepest sympathy, condolences and prayers. Larry & MC

Larry LeGrande - May 22, 2024 at 02:28 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



May 22, 2024 at 02:11 PM

EG

“ Erin McConomy- Garrick & Jason Garrick planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kimberly Rene Ford.

Erin McConomy- Garrick & Jason Garrick - May 22, 2024 at 02:11 PM

TF

“ Please accept our deepest condolences. We celebrate Kim's life, her love for Jesus, the deep love she shared with Chris, and God's blessing granted in the family they raised together. Until we meet Jesus, we look forward with hope to Jesus' promise of eternity.

The Chick Family - May 22, 2024 at 01:49 PM

YG

“ Your Anthony's Girls purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



Your Anthony's Girls - May 22, 2024 at 01:44 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.



May 22, 2024 at 01:10 PM



“ *Love's Tapestry was purchased for the family of Kimberly Rene Ford.*



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May 22, 2024 at 01:06 PM