



Kyle A. Kohler

March 30, 1990 - January 15, 2023

Kyle A. Kohler, 32, passed away unexpectedly on January 15, 2023, in Baraboo, WI. He was born at Mather Air Force Base in Sacramento, CA to Tom and Amy on March 30, 1990. He grew up in Hamilton, OH with his two siblings, Tayler and Ryan. In 2001, Kyle's mom and stepfather (Corry Mathews) moved the family to Cazenovia, WI.

In 2008, Kyle graduated Weston High School in Cazenovia, WI and continued his studies at the University of Wisconsin-Richland Center and Roane State Community College in Oak Ridge, TN. He developed a love for mixed martial arts training in Kingston, TN. He competed throughout east Tennessee where he gained a spirited following as "Kyle Bi Polar Kohler", winning an amateur state champion belt.

In 2013, he joined the U.S. Marines graduating the Marine Corps boot camp in San Diego, CA in October. Kyle was a proud Marine trained as an aircraft mechanic and achieving the rank of Lance Corporal before his discharge in 2016.

Kyle is preceded in death by his mother, Amy (nee Ferris) Mathews and Grandparents Faye (nee Pennington) and William A. Kohler. He is survived by his parents, Thomas A. and Sharon C. (nee Cornwell) Kohler of Ten Mile, TN; sister Tayler (Nick) Colangelo and nephews Nicky and Gio of Chesapeake, VA

and brother Ryan Kohler (girlfriend Chelsea) of Oak Ridge, TN.

He was loved by his family including Aunt Rachael (Chris) Banfield, cousins Sam, Sarah and Rachel; Aunt Ashley Schleyer, cousins Maddox and Madeline; Grandparents Sarah (nee Hensley) and Donald Ferris, Tom and Peggy Wooten, Susan and Skip Cousins; Aunt Becky (nee Kohler) Winkler, cousin Dallas (Mandy) Winkler; Uncle Bill Kohler; and many, many friends across Ohio, Wisconsin, and Tennessee.

Family and friends are welcome to attend a celebration of Kyle's life at Lola's Industrial Venue at 164 East Race Street, Kingston, TN on Friday, March 31st from 5 – 8 pm. The family will have a private graveside service. Kyker Funeral Home, Kingston has graciously handled the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations go to Lighthouse Recovery, 19 Whitney Ave, Portland, ME 04102 c/o Ben Kapelson.

Kyle was larger than life, with a generous, passionate heart. His sense of humor, authenticity, vulnerability and integrity stood out. "Believe in yourself, and if you can't do that... Believe in me who believes in you." May Kyle rest in peace.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR 31 (ET)

Lola's Event Center
164 Race Street
Kingston, TN 37763

Tribute Wall



“ I’m not sure if anyone will see this but I know it’ll make my heart feel even better. It’s been nearly two years since loosing my best friend. No one would know me because I am from Maine, that has made the grieving process a lot harder. I don’t have anyone to talk to that knows him besides other friends from different states. The man I met in Maine was an amazing human. I’m lucky enough that I got to love him fully during our time together. Kyle was one of the best partners I could have ever had. He made me feel scene, heard, and understood. His hugs were spine crushing. No one ever spoke to me with as much respect and care as Kyle did. I finally came to see him, I’m doing a cross country trip with our dog. Taz misses you like crazy, I know he wishes dad would come home and take him on a walk already. I miss you so much Kyle, and I love you till the end of time. I hope you like your spiderman. Merry Christmas my love, and to all the people that loved my best friend.



Mia White - December 24, 2024 at 09:01 AM

BE

“ Kyle’s been on my mind for the last few months. I never thought I’d find him this way. I was friends with Kyle during college in Richland Center. I found him sitting on a park bench one day and he said he didn’t have a place to sleep that night. So I let him crash at my family’s house. I’m glad I did - he clearly did so much to support other people, I’m glad I could help him. I’m so grieved that he’s gone. He was such a kind soul.

Bethany - July 06, 2024 at 03:30 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kyle A. Kohler.*



March 26, 2023 at 08:13 PM




“ *Kyle has been family to me for 15 years and I am beyond thankful for the time I got to know him. No one encourages or believes in you like Kyle did. We started as gym friends and classmates but He popped in and out of my life in some of the most bizarre and chaotic ways. I'll never forget him walking into my apartment on accident after 3 years of long distance friendship. Or him complimenting my Batman shirt at a party without realizing who I was until I threw my arms around him. Thankful for all the “meet me for coffee”s and “hey check out this new thing I can do”s. Sad he lived far away for the last few years but thankful for the continued friendship. We were all so lucky to know him. Love and sympathy to all who are hurting*

This is the oldest picture I can find of us. He came to Easter Sunday with my family just because I asked if he wanted to.

Miss you friend <3



Lily Davis - March 21, 2023 at 07:35 PM

 Eve
Temple

“ Kyle and I have been close friends since 2019. He was loved deeply. Not, just me, but everyone who was in his life, including animals that happened to cross his path. He appreciated, respected and proudly cared about people. Life is a struggle and he connected with that and found small ways to make everyone know they were loved. His enthusiasm was contagious and I got a mace in the mail to enjoy his new workouts with him . Lol
He didnt watch much tv, but he subscribed to everything, I think it was just to be able to share with all of us. That's Kyle. He shared every step of his journey with me over these years. He was very funny supportive, genuine, honest and his integrity was never compromised in any situation. He was a good male role model for my sons whom he would video chat when they were very young and I was new to being a single mother so i could have a quick shower. 2000 miles away and a closed border and he found ways to be more helpful than anyone close to me. He was one of my best friends. He loved and cherished everyone and that was one of the things I loved most about him. I am not sure how to do things without him. I miss him so much.

Eve Temple - March 20, 2023 at 01:56 PM

ME

“ *I cannot muster the right words to fully describe the heartache of his loss.*

He was my friend, my first kiss, my heart. Our 20s saw us on different paths, but I'm glad to have reconnected with him in the last few years. I enjoyed the man he'd become and relished in being his friend all over again. He was honestly the best at making me laugh. I'll keep his funny photos, snaps, and voice clips with me till the end of time.

My deepest sympathies and biggest hugs go to Kyle's friends and family located all over the world. He is forever in our hearts. <3



Melissa - February 14, 2023 at 08:33 PM

MS

“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



Michael S - February 14, 2023 at 07:23 AM

CN

“ We met the Kohler's when we moved to Liberty Township. Tom walked up to introduce himself, not long after, our kids met and became friends. One of the first times the Kohler gang spent the night at our house I walked into my kitchen to find Kyle looking in cabinets. Don't remember what he was looking for but he made me laugh...he felt at home enough to "help himself" in looking for, well something.

Charlotte Nieman - February 13, 2023 at 12:39 PM

SD

To the family of Kyle. I'm so very sorry for your lost. As a young adult I had the privilege to be a wrestling coach for Kyle. At that time we had many conversations and I watched him grow as a good person. I will miss him and carry him in prayer. May he now rest in peace. Stan Dugenske

Stan Dugenske - February 13, 2023 at 10:51 PM

BM

*Sharon...
My sincere condolences to you and your family...
No child should precede their parents in death...
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you go through this sad time...
My heart aches for you...*

Barbara Miller

Barbara Miller - February 14, 2023 at 10:49 AM