



## Kelly Rae Koonsman

October 14, 1969 - November 21, 2018

Kelly Rae Koonsman was born on October 14, 1969 in Odessa, Texas to Donna and Lee Carleton, passed away November 21, 2018 in Dallas, Texas at age 49. She is lovingly known as KC Rae, Aunt KK by her nephew Gunnar and Sadie by her mother.

She is preceded in death by her Grandmothers Ivon Walton and Orpha Carleton and Great Grandparents Rilla and Mac (Bodie) McCauley.

Kelly is survived by husband Gabe Koonsman of Hico, Texas; parents Donna and Lee Carleton of Odessa, TX; sister, Kristi McDaris and husband Matt, nephew Gunnar McDaris of Trophy Club, TX; In-laws Harlon and Linda Koonsman of Hico, TX.

Education was important to Kelly. She received a Bachelor of Kinesiology and a Bachelor of Nursing from Texas Tech University and was in the last year of a Master of Nursing program in Family Nurse Practitioner from Texas A & M University.

Other career accomplishments were: ER nursing, Cardiac Rehab and Flight Nurse certifications.

Kelly loved outdoor activities. She loved to participate in half marathons –

bicycling and running. She even went on a rafting trip by herself. Exercise was an important part of her life.

After marrying Gabe she embraced the country. She soon became nurse to goats, baby calves, dogs, cats and any other stray animal that showed up at the door. One time there was a baby playpen in the house. There wasn't a human baby in it but three baby goats who needed extra care. She was always the nurse.

Kelly loved her jeep and used it as a pickup. She could get 4 or 5 bales of hay in the back. Another example of her ingenuity was when it was time to thin out the goat herd she loaded 5 goats in the back of the jeep and headed to the sale barn. She was insulted when the guys laughed at her as they unloaded the goats.

She liked driving the John Deere tractor and taking her nephew Gunnar in the gator to the stock tank and to see the animals.

Kelly was an extraordinary person. She loved life, her husband and her family.

Memorial Services, 3pm, Sunday, November 25, 2018 at Hico First Baptist Church, Hico, Texas

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV **25**. 3:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
Hico, TX 76457

# Tribute Wall

PM

“ Thought about you today and remember all the great high school fun we had together. You were my best friend then and I cherish many great memories.



Patrick Mayers - October 14, 2024 at 10:35 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Kelly Rae Koonsman.



November 24, 2018 at 01:20 PM

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“ John & Jeni Tahaney & Kathy Prindible purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Kelly Rae Koonsman.



John & Jeni Tahaney & Kathy Prindible - November 23, 2018 at 01:30 PM



“ *Dawn of Remembrance Basket was purchased for the family of Kelly Rae Koonsman.*



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November 23, 2018 at 11:16 AM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Kelly Rae Koonsman.*



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November 23, 2018 at 10:40 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kelly Rae Koonsman.*



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November 22, 2018 at 06:13 PM