



Keith Alan Silverblatt

June 16, 1952 - July 28, 2023

Keith Alan Silverblatt was born on June 16, 1952, to Julian and Esther Silverblatt, and grew up in Houston with his three sisters. He passed away peacefully on July 28, 2023. Almost 47 years ago, Keith married his college sweetheart, soulmate, and love of his life, Shelley, in 1976. Together, they raised their two daughters, Rebecca and Julie, and delighted in their growing family as they welcomed two sons-in-law and four grandchildren to their loving fold. Above all else, Keith was a family man who loved spending time with his wife, children, and grandchildren. He provided steadfast care and support to his extended family as well, even in his last difficult months of illness, still thinking of others, and always keeping his loved ones laughing - a true mensch.

Keith graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with both a bachelor's degree in linguistics in 1974 and a master's degree in government in 1984. He was also an avid baseball and UT fan. A lifelong learner, he loved languages and history, and had a keen intellect; it was hard to challenge him at word and trivia games. Keith worked at the IRS for 37 dedicated years, where he was recognized for his leadership and teamwork. He was often praised for his ethics, open-mindedness, and conscientiousness both in his personal and professional life. Upon his retirement, he volunteered as an usher at Bass Concert Hall and served as Treasurer of the Discover Program at UT.

He is survived by his wife Shelley Silverblatt, his daughters Rebecca Silverblatt (Alex Sierra) and Julie Silverblatt (Vinnie Hogan), grandchildren Rose, Clara, Noah, and Gabriel, father Julian Silverblatt, sisters Terri (Barry) Brown, Pam (Stan) Clark, and Cindy (Steven) Reiner, brothers- and sisters-in-law Chuck and Sally Pehr, Ben Pehr, Elaine Gelbard, Dan Mattern, Lisa Goldberg, and Michael Cohen, as well as many nieces and nephews, cousins, and friends, all deeply impacted by his beautiful life. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to the Amyloidosis Foundation in his memory.

A funeral service will be held at 10 o' clock in the morning on Tuesday, August 1st, 2023 at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 8134 Mesa Dr, Austin, TX 78759. Following the service, interment will take place at Cook-Walden Capital Parks Cemetery, 14501 N Interstate Hwy 35, Pflugerville, TX 78660.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Matthews Episcopal Church
8134 Mesa Dr.
Austin, TX 78759

Tribute Wall

SM

“ Shelley - David and I were so sorry to hear of Keith's passing. My family and the Silverblatt's friendship goes way, way back. Even though so many years had passed - when I saw Keith at Congregation Beth Israel years ago - it felt warm and familiar to reconnect with him and to meet you. May his memory be a blessing.
most sincerely,
Stephanie and David Moll

Stephanie Moll - August 24, 2023 at 11:40 AM

AS

“ Ms. Shelley, sorry to hear about your husband.

Andrew Sheu

Andrew M Sheu - August 07, 2023 at 11:36 AM

SF

“ Shelley, Rebecca and Julie, Thinking of you and your sweet little ones with a heavy heart. I didn't see you often but when we did I have always looked forward to it. Keith was a special person his kindness and love for his family were apparent. I loved our most recent interaction, when Keith and I spoke about our family tree sharing the bits that we knew. You are all in my heart and so sorry I couldn't be there, we had just arrived in Michigan for a family vacation when I got word of Keith's passing. Love, Shelley F.

Shelley Frank - August 03, 2023 at 08:41 AM

MN

“ Shelley, Rebecca and Julie - I am so so sorry. Keith was such a sweet man & will be dearly missed by family and friends. May wonderful memories comfort you at this difficult time. You are all in my thoughts and prayers

Love

Marilyn Neilson

Marilyn Neilson - August 02, 2023 at 11:56 AM

AK

“ My deepest sympathies to Shelley and family. I've known Keith and Shelley since our undergraduate days at UT. Keith was one of the kindest, friendliest people I've ever met. He and Shelley have been devoted to each other for such a long time. May his memory be a blessing for all of us.

Amy Kinkade - July 31, 2023 at 12:56 PM

FH

“ My condolences to the Silverblatt family. I had the honor of working with Mr. Silverblatt back when he was with IRS as my Department Manager. Every time I saw him I would tell him hi and at times a small little chit chat here and there. Never did he ever have a frown on his face he was always so smiley. May he rest in rest peace and again my condolences go out to his family and friends and to all who knew him. - Faustina Huerta

Faustina Huerta - July 31, 2023 at 10:13 AM

PK

“ *My heart breaks as I think of your family's loss. This man and his family lived their lives with joy in each other. Keith's obituary is a wonderful tribute to the person that Keith was, and I recognized his impact on his sweet wife and daughters from the first time that I knew them. Sending my love to Shelley, Rebecca and Julie. You are such sweet people and cherished friends. There are no words to comfort you, but I hold you in my heart. Sincerely, Pam Kilmain*

Pam Kilmain - July 31, 2023 at 09:00 AM