



Kim Thomas Purcell

June 19, 1944 - May 27, 2023

Kim Thomas Purcell, 78, of Mooresville passed away on Saturday, May 27, 2023.

He was born on June 19, 1944, in Pasadena, CA to the late Francis and Barbara Kern Purcell.

Kim was a loving husband to his wife Gail and a loving father and grandfather. Kim was a devout Christian who spent his retirement years living out his faith and the love of Jesus through his service to the Church. Kim served with Samaritan's Purse, going on over 10 separate mission trips. Kim was also a chartering member of New Hope Lutheran Church where he faithfully attended and actively served. Kim shared the love of Jesus with others by serving in any way that he could. Kim's faith and his family were the top two priorities in his life, and behind that was his love for both fishing and golf.

Kim will be greatly missed by those he is survived by his loving wife, Gail Purcell; children, Shawn Purcell, Brian Purcell (Kelly), Kevin Purcell (Pamela); stepchildren, April Hecht, Eric Hecht (Leslie), Jennifer Arledge (Derrick); sisters, Patricia Harvy (Harold), Diane Kohut (Stephen); grandchildren, Corinne Purcell, Ashley Purcell, Ryan Purcell, Julia Purcell, Sean Purcell, Eva Hecht, Baker Hecht, Marguerite Hecht, Bryson Arledge and Cooper Arledge.

If anyone would like to make a donation in memory of Kim, the family has

suggested either Samaritan's Purse Disaster Relief or New Hope Lutheran Church. Memorials to Samaritan's Purse Disaster Relief can be made at: <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/memorial-page/kim-thomas-purcell-mooresville-nc/> Donations to New Hope Lutheran Church can be mailed to the church at 296 Faith Rd., Mooresville, NC 28115.

A private family service will be held at a later date.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville is proudly serving the Purcell family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Cavin-Cook FH & Crematory

494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Tribute Wall

DE

“ Sending out prayers to the Purcell family....lots of GREAT memories of Kim.....many mission trips together serving with Samaritans Purse.....remember him harassing us "Southern Boys" while we were serving in Tom Rivers, NJ during mid winter snow storms ,,saying "felt good"I have always said there would NEVER have been a New Hope Lutheran Church if it was not for God's love and Kim's persistent and guidance. He TOLD me to stop saying that.....but I never have. Gail, Sandra and I have been and will continue to pray for you and ALL of your family. GOD BLESS

Dan English - June 04, 2023 at 10:10 AM

GA

Thank you Dan and Sandra, Kim enjoyed his time on the mission trips and time with you and "the guys"

Gail - June 04, 2023 at 12:16 PM

TZ

“ When Judy and I first visited New Hope Lutheran church 3 years ago kim was one of the first people to greet us at the door. We both realized that this was the church we wanted to go to and that kim was very active in the church and he took his faith very seriously. We will miss him very much and our condolences to Kim's family.

Timothy Zentgraf - June 03, 2023 at 09:14 PM

JS

“ Kim was always the first person to greet newcomers to the church, including myself when I first moved down. He was a joy to be around, and his laughter was infectious. Holding Gail and the entire family in my prayers as they celebrate his life.

James Schnabel - June 03, 2023 at 06:37 AM

DC

“ I have had the absolute pleasure of knowing Kim probably right from my start moving down to North Carolina from Long Island. What can you say about Long Islanders! Definitely share a common denominator. No matter what our differences were later in life regarding politics we came back together as friends and shared common interest in love of family and those who have survived him. He was always there if I needed any financial advice, and aside from that it was just always wonderful to be around Kim and Gail. I'm so happy we got to get together at Alinos Pizza with Tom before he moved. As always we had a wonderful afternoon filled with antidote and information. I see some of the pictures of the water and my first memory was going up to Hickory and riding on the JetSki's. You have been taken away from us, but you will have so many wonderful memories behind.

Deborah Cosgrove - June 02, 2023 at 04:45 PM

GA

Love you Deb

Gail - June 02, 2023 at 07:55 PM

TR

“ Kim and Gail were instrumental in bringing me back to the church and I'm forever thankful. Kim was my best friend, mentor, confidante, and financial advisor. A true man of Christ. He lived his faith every day. His passing is devastating to us but we should rejoice that he is now pain free and dancing with the Lord. Gail, we love you and are here for you.

Tom Robb - June 02, 2023 at 01:40 PM

GP

Love you too Tom

Gail Purcell - June 02, 2023 at 03:14 PM

DK

“ *Kim and Gail - God bless them. They were wonderful members of our church in Hickory. They blessed the church, their many pets, and the world around them.*

Dave Keck - May 31, 2023 at 01:56 PM

GP

Thank you Pastor Keck. Fond memories of Mt.olive

Gail Purcell - June 02, 2023 at 12:00 PM