



*In Memoriam*  
*Kellen Adams*

*September 20, 1968 - January 23, 2024*

## Order of Service

Prelude Jane Anderson

Welcome Pastor Deb

Scripture Reading John 14:1-4, 18-20, 25-27 Pastor Deb

**Prayer** Pastor Deb

Eternal God, we praise you for the company of all those who have finished their course in faith and now rest from their labor. We praise you for all those dear to us whom now reside with you. Especially we praise you for Kellen whom you have graciously received into your presence. To her and to us, grant your peace. Let perpetual light shine upon Kellen; and help us so to believe in what we have not seen. Help us believe that your presence may lead us through our years and bring us at last with Kellen into the joy of your home not made with hand but eternal in the heavens, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Hymn** *He Leadeth Me* UMH#128

Scripture Psalm 23 Pastor Fred Baum

Solo *"Pie Jesu"* Carolyn Dwyer

From Requiem by Gabriel Faure  
English translation:  
Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them rest.  
Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them eternal rest.

Scripture Ecclesiastes 3:1-4 and Revelation 21:3-4 Pastor Fred Baum

***For Kellen*** by Carolyn Dwyer Read by Nancy Yob

**Remembrances** Pastor Fred Baum  
Family  
Friends

**Hymn** *Amazing Grace* UMH# 378

**Scripture** Romans 8:35, 38-39 Pastor Deb

**Blessing** Pastor Deb

Now let us depart in the strength of the Lord, who has promised never to leave or forsake us, but to be with us always, even into eternity. Amen.

A reception will be held in the Elizabeth Room of the church, where refreshments and light snacks will be offered.



Kellen Adams

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The world mourns the passing of Kellen Adams, a beacon of love and generosity, who departed this life on January 23, 2024, at the age of 55. Born to Jane and John Hemminger in Walterboro, South Carolina, on September 20, 1968, Kellen's journey was one marked by warmth, kindness, and enduring commitment to those she loved.

Kellen's early years were illuminated by the Arizona sun, as she relocated to Phoenix, AZ with her mom. It's here she discovered a passion for ice skating, a pursuit that not only brought her joy but also became a canvas for the artistry of her spirit. Even in those early years, it was evident that Kellen approached life with a sense of grace and enthusiasm that would become hallmarks of her character.

Her teenage years were spent amidst the enchanting landscapes of the U Circle Ranch, surrounded by the love of her uncle, grandfather, and two cousins, Jaque and Julie. These formative years shaped Kellen, instilling in her a deep appreciation for the hard work and difficulties of ranching in Southern Arizona, the beauty of nature, and the importance of shared moments filled with laughter and love.

After graduating from McClintock High School, Kellen ventured to Tucson in pursuit of new horizons. It was there, in 1995, that fate intervened and introduced her to the love of her life, John Adams, during their shared work at Biosphere 2. The connection between Kellen and John was immediate and profound, leading to a joyous union on September 27, 1997. Together, they built a life grounded in love, respect, and shared dreams.

Their family expanded with the birth of their daughter, Taylor, on May 27, 2004. Kellen embraced motherhood with the same grace and warmth that characterized every facet of her life. Her days were dedicated to creating a home where love and laughter flowed abundantly, creating cherished memories that would endure through generations. Kellen's love extended beyond her immediate family to include her four-legged companions, and among them, Bob the miniature dachshund held a special place in her heart. Her presence added an extra layer of joy to Kellen's life, and their bond was a testament to the profound connection she shared with her pets.

However, what truly defined Kellen was the immense compassion that emanated from her heart. Her kindness knew no bounds. Whether a friend facing a challenge or a stranger in distress, Kellen's innate generosity shone through, leaving an indelible mark on the lives she touched.

Beyond her relationships, Kellen found solace and joy in the company of her horses. Riding through open fields or sharing quiet moments with these majestic creatures brought her a sense of peace and connection to the natural world she so deeply cherished.

As we bid farewell to Kellen, we celebrate her life, a life that exemplified the beauty of love, compassion, and selflessness. In her passing, we are reminded to carry forward the light she brought into the world, to extend a helping hand to those in need, and to treasure the moments of laughter and love that make life truly meaningful.

In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to Vista De La Montaña United Methodist Church.