



Kye Wol Watson

April 6, 1947 - August 17, 2014

Portsmouth – Kye Wol Watson, 67, of Portsmouth, died suddenly at her home on Sunday, August 17, 2014.

She was born on Cheju Island, South Korea on April 6, 1947, a daughter of the late Myong Yul and Kyung (Nim) Kim.

Kye was raised in South Korea. She came to the United States in 1970 after marrying the love of her life, the late Leon J. Watson, Jr., who was stationed in South Korea with the Air Force. Kye came to this country with little understanding of the English language, made her home and raised her family. She was a very strong and courageous woman, her dear husband Leon passed away not too long after her arrival in America and she raised her children by herself. Kye was also a very kind and compassionate woman who possessed a fantastic sense of humor. She always had a way to make everyone laugh. Family was her life and she especially enjoyed time spent with her grandchildren and her great grandchild. She was an amazing mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister and friend. Kye will be missed by all those who knew and loved her.

She was a great cook, loved the color purple, liked to fish and enjoyed her workouts at the YMCA in Portsmouth. Kye was a devout Christian and an active parishioner of the Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ in Portsmouth. She

loved her church and her church family.

Family members include her daughters, Oneta Bobbett of Rye and Yvette Krull and husband Ronnie of Virginia Beach, VA; her son Kevin Leon Watson and wife Kaitlin of Rye; her grandchildren, Jaden Bobbett, Oneta and William Gilmore and Kaia Watson; her great granddaughter Alaina Simmons; her sister Yun Wol Chon and husband Huayong of Hampstead and her son-in-law Jonathan Bobbett of Rye. She also is survived by her large extended family in South Korea and her many friends.

Family and friends may visit from 5 to 8 PM on Friday, August 22, 2014 in the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home – Crematory, 811 Lafayette Rd., Hampton. Services will be held on Saturday at 12 noon in the funeral home followed by burial in Rye Central Cemetery. Please wear a touch of purple, Kye's favorite color. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 11454, Alexandria, VA 22312.

Cemetery Details

Central Cemetery

20 Central Road
Rye, NH

Previous Events

Calling Hours

AUG 22. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - Crematory
811 Lafayette Road ·
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Service

AUG 23. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Remick & Gendron Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kye Wol Watson*



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - August 20, 2014 at 03:03 PM



“ *Kye Wol Watson*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *I am still thinking about how beautiful, touching ,sad, and funny Kim's service was. She would have loved the laughter. As a matter of fact- I'm sure she did love the laughter. I know her spirit was there with us. She will always be with us...in our hearts and in our minds.*



Tinka - August 30, 2014 at 12:11 PM

RP

“ She has been one of my mom’s closest friends for over 40 years and we called her "Imo" because she was like an aunt to us. I will always remember the kindness she showed to my family. She treated my sister (Tracey), brothers (Bobby and Tony), and me like we were her own. The courage and strength she showed in raising her family (practically as a single mom for most of her life) is a testament to us all. Due to circumstances out of our control, Kevin and I could not be there, but are planning a visit to pay our respects.

Oneida, Yvette, and Kevin, you are in our thoughts and prayers!

*God bless,
Kevin & Robin Pobiak*

Robin Pobiak - August 23, 2014 at 04:38 PM

RZ

“ Didn't know you very well but I did have the pleasure of meeting you at Oneta's home. You must have been amazing as you raised such an loving giving daughter. May you rest in peace and watch over your beautiful family!

God Bless,

Rosanna Miguel and the boys.....

Rosanna Zingales-Lopez - August 22, 2014 at 01:12 PM

MS

“ Just a week ago, Mommy Watson, we were on the phone making all these plans of things, were going to do together when I get there in September.



God had different plans for us, my Dear. Instead of worshipping Him on Earth, we shall be doing it Heaven. At least, there is no more pain, no more tears, no more worries.

Thank you Mommy Watson for your Friendship, Encouragement and Love.

I shall miss you dearly, but the sweet memories will last for ever and keep me going until we meet again.

Peace, Kye W. Watson

Mariama Salifou - August 22, 2014 at 05:43 AM

WK

“ William K. purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Kye Wol Watson.



William K. - August 21, 2014 at 08:50 PM

BA

“ 1 file added to the album New Album Name



babs - August 21, 2014 at 06:01 PM

TI

“ Words alone cannot express how much I will miss my YMCA pool sidekick. We were dangerous together and got reprimanded more than once. Always laughing- always scheming. You have left a huge void in my heart that will never be filled by anyone else. I will remember you for the rest of my life. I love you, Kim. I hope you are being like the queen you are up in heaven.



Tinka - August 21, 2014 at 02:31 PM

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“ I am there with you, much love ~smitty~ purchased the Heartfelt Memories for the family of Kye Wol Watson.



I am there with you, much love ~smitty~ - August 20, 2014 at 11:22 PM

JW

“ I have had many happy interactions with Kye over the years at the Naval Branch Health Clinic at Portsmouth Naval Shipyard. She was always full of smiles and laughs!!!

Joe Wesley - August 20, 2014 at 03:23 PM

KW

Thank you Joe. You all took very special care of my mother. She loved everyone there. Thank you again for caring for my mother-Kevin Watson

Kevin Watson-son - August 21, 2014 at 01:39 PM

RA

“ To the family of our YMCA "Kim,"

She was one special lady. Her obit in the Portsmouth Herald got it right:

"Kye was a very kind and compassionate woman who possessed a fantastic sense of humor. She had a way to make people laugh."

Thank you for sharing her with us all these years. She will be greatly missed!

Rebecca from Y Aquacize

Rebecca from Y Aquacize - August 20, 2014 at 03:08 PM

JE

“ Please accept my condolences to the family of Kye Wol Watson. Although I did not know her personally, I can tell she was a very special woman and loved by many. God Bless Watson Family.

Jennifer Sharpe, Auburn NH

jennifer - August 20, 2014 at 03:04 PM

MC

“ Merrimack Valley Korean Church purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Kye Wol Watson.



Merrimack Valley Korean Church - August 20, 2014 at 10:36 AM



“ I will miss her at the YMCA pool - she was such a joyful and funny person and will miss her shouting "Tuck and Boogie" in class - I will say it in her honor . . .

Linda Candreva - August 20, 2014 at 09:04 AM



“ Memories of you being one of the strongest, toughest, yet loving and caring Mother I ever met stand out. You were "Mom" to me then and still "Mom" to me today. You will be truly missed ...physically, but we all know that you are still with us spiritually! May your precious Soul rest in eternal peace!

Matthew 5:4 Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Loving you,

Shelli Ross

S - August 20, 2014 at 08:59 AM



Thank you Shelly, you were/and always will be part of "mom's kids." :)

Yvette Watson-Krull - August 26, 2014 at 10:52 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Kye Wol Watson.



August 20, 2014 at 08:01 AM

JB

“ Her courage and strength in coming to the USA and raising a family was a testament to her love of her family. I will fondly remember her sense of humor. She was always kind and loving to me. She will be sorely missed and I wish God had granted her more time to see her grandchildren grow. Thank you for all you did for this family "Mama Watson".

Jon

Jonathan Bobbett - August 20, 2014 at 07:53 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Kye Wol Watson.



August 20, 2014 at 07:05 AM

JG

“ My best memory is sitting by the swimming pool with our feet in the water and laughing and talking. What a joyous lady she was. Happy to call her a friend.

Jane Giertz - August 19, 2014 at 05:58 PM