

Kimberly “Kim” Dean Sullivan



Kimberly Dean Sullivan, born on June 12, 1970 passed away peacefully on Friday, February 7, 2025 at Ochsner Medical Center in New Orleans surrounded by her family.

Kim, or “Lollie” as her grandkids called her, was born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana to Dr. Herschel and Dorothy Dean in 1970. She graduated from Parkview Baptist High School in 1988 and Louisiana State University in 1992. While in college, Kim traveled with the Continental Singers around the world sharing the love of Jesus Christ and her incredible voice. In 2007, after noticing her community lacked a theatre program for children, Kim, known as “Cookie” to her students, launched Central Community Theatre with her family.

After being diagnosed with congestive heart failure in 2013, Kim underwent surgery to place a Left Ventricular Assist Device on her heart in December 2018. After surgical complications, Kim went on to show her doctors, family, and friends what strength and faith through adversity looked like. For six years, through many further complications, she never gave up and spent precious time with her family, friends, and students. Her testimony has impacted thousands around the world showing them the grace, love, and miraculous healing power of Jesus Christ.

On February 7, 2025, Kim finished her race and gained her eternal reward as she ran into the arms of her Lord and Savior. She is survived by her husband, Michael Sullivan; children, Addie Dean Cross and husband, Ryan Cross, Andrew Sullivan, Meghann Sullivan, Savannah Sullivan, and Sophie Jane Sullivan; parents, Dr. Herschel and Dorothy Dean; grandchildren, Harrison Cross, Eleanor Cross, Hollis Cross, Remington Sullivan, and Audrey Sullivan; siblings, Karen Clinkingbeard and husband, Byron, Dr. Kyle Dean and wife, Debbie, and Kesleigh Castle and husband, Chad; first niece, Claire Voelker; sister in law, Cynthia Sullivan; a host

of nieces and nephews; and all of her Central Community Theatre family.

Kim is preceded in death by grandparents, Herschel Dean, Mary Elizabeth Hart, Robert Anderson, and Nelwyn Marie Anderson; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Manuel Richard Sullivan, and Ruth Sullivan; and sister-in-law, Debra Bridgers.

Relatives and friends are invited to join the family at Greenwell Springs Baptist Church, 19421 Greenwell Springs, Greenwell Springs, LA on Friday, February 14, 2025 from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM. The visitation will continue Saturday, February 15, 2025 from 9:00 AM until the funeral service at 11:00 Am. The graveside service will follow immediately at Greenwell Springs Baptist Church Cemetery.