



Kyle M. Ashinhurst

April 7, 1970 - August 22, 2018

Kyle Matthew Ashinhurst, 48, loving father, husband, brother, uncle, and friend passed away on August 22, 2018.

Born on April 7, 1970 in West Chester, PA, Kyle was the son of Orlyn J. and Jacqueline J. (née Stipes) Ashinhurst. He was raised in Downingtown and attended The Haverford School (Class of '88). Kyle attended Trinity College in Hartford, CT, where he studied political science. Upon his return to the area, Kyle worked for several local papers as a journalist before joining The Vanguard Group as a writer and editor, enjoying a near 20-year career.

Passionate about politics and history, Kyle was always ready to share his insight. He was a fan of Star Trek, Mystery Science Theater 3000, and robots - and a self-proclaimed geek. Those who knew him were blessed by his quick wit and goofy sense of humor. Above all he had a deep love for his family.

Kyle is survived by his wife, Emily (née Norton) and their daughter, Margaret, of Havertown, PA; his brother, Timothy Ashinhurst, and sister-in-law, Linda, of Souderton, PA; his brother, Joel Ashinhurst, and sister-in-law, Michele, of Stafford, VA; nephews Christopher (with wife, Allison) and Sean; nieces Kristen (with husband, Brownlow), Jennifer, Rebecca, and Kathryn; great-nephews Jake, Cole, and Chase; and great-niece, Samantha.

His Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, September 1st, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church, 226 Righters Mill Road, Gladwyne, PA, with a reception to follow.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to either St. Christopher's Day School (226 Righters Mill Road, Gladwyne, PA 19035) or Peter's Place (336 King of Prussia Rd, Wayne, PA 19087).

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Christopher's Episcopal Church
226 Righters Mill Road
Gladwyne, PA 19035

Tribute Wall

VZ

“ Kyle was a good friend and an incredibly funny man. I worked with him for a long time at Vanguard. I miss his wit and personality. Adio Kyle.

Vincent Zinno - November 14, 2021 at 04:44 PM

MD

“ I had the honor of working with Kyle on the Rich Media Team at Vanguard. Sometimes he joked that it was the “Poor” Media Team whenever we ran into challenges with process. Kyle’s wit made coming to work fun. He was extremely creative and I enjoyed working with Kyle. So sorry to hear about this sad news. We grieve with you and pray for God’s comfort to rest on your family.

Mike Dunlap - September 19, 2018 at 07:12 PM

GM

“ George Mann purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Kyle M. Ashinhurst.



George Mann - September 09, 2018 at 05:41 PM

DS

“ *Wit. Vitality. Insight. Heart. These are the words that come to mind when I think of Kyle. I got to know Kyle during the time I worked for him. His ability to find the one "nugget" in a draft, to uncover the clearest way to express even the most complex concepts, and to say anything in the most engaging way are gifts he gave every person who worked with him. His genuine interest and care about each person he met is the gift he gave everyone who crossed his path. Much sympathy to his family, especially Emily and his beloved Maggie, as you move through this sad time.*

Diane Streleckis - September 04, 2018 at 08:26 AM

MT

“ *I am based in the Australian office of Vanguard and worked with Kyle for most of my time with the company. My team and I often remarked on the quality of Kyle's work. We so appreciated his reliability and open communication when it came to the vast range of work he was helping coordinate for all the international regions.*

Personally I will miss his wit and clever turn of phrase.

I offer my heartfelt condolences to his family and friends.

Michael Thorneycroft - September 03, 2018 at 09:29 PM

HC

“ A lovely service yesterday. Proud to be among his friends. A memory ...
When Kyle and Emily became engaged, he came to my cubicle from another building to tell me. He was so happy and we shared a quiet moment. When he got up to leave my desk, heads shot up all around us. People wanted to see for themselves who had been speaking to me. He was an amazing, sensitive man. One of a kind. I will never forget him.

Holly Cusumano

Holly Cusumano - September 02, 2018 at 10:00 AM

PL

“ I miss Kyle terribly. The world lost a great one. Love to all his family & friends.

Patrick Lowery

Patrick Lowery - September 02, 2018 at 09:54 AM

GE

“ Kyle's expansive knowledge, incisive analysis, and instantaneous wit revealed themselves in everything he did. We reconnected after falling out of touch for almost twenty years, and all of his best qualities had only been magnified in the interim. He helped me on so many occasions, and now I only wish I had done the same for him as often or as well. Our world is poorer for his absence. Most sincere condolences to Kyle's family and friends.

George - September 01, 2018 at 05:39 PM

AC

“ Before I knew Kyle I read Kyle. When I started as a writer, my manager asked me what types of things I wanted write. All I could think to say was "things like Kyle Ashinhurst writes." He was that good. Later he became my colleague and we talked about being dads and how great it was to have daughters. I'll remember Kyle as ridiculously talented, witty and warm, but most of all, as someone I wish I had more time with. My deepest condolences and sympathy to Kyle's wife, daughter and family.

Andrew Carlson - August 31, 2018 at 02:09 PM

K(

Please know these words give his family comfort. Thank you.

Kristy Townswns (Ashinhurst) - August 31, 2018 at 06:30 PM

KA

“ So sorry to hear about this. My thoughts and prayers go out to the family. I have many fond memories of Kyle, working with him over the years. We shared many laughs, and for that I am thankful. Rest in peace, Kyle.

Kantese Alexander - August 31, 2018 at 01:11 PM

TH

“ I worked with and sat next to Kyle for years. I miss him terribly.

Tim Higgins

Tim Higgins - August 31, 2018 at 10:34 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Kyle M. Ashinhurst.*



August 31, 2018 at 08:01 AM



“ *Kyle and I started a few months apart at Vanguard in 1999. He was part of our close-knit group that did everything together. I'll miss his smile and his wit just like everyone else here. I'm so glad I saved all the April Fool's day stories he "published" at work, and laugh when I think of how many people believed his far-fetched scenarios.*

Love and prayers to Emily and Maggie -- the true lights of his life!

I have only tears now, but I know in the future I'll smile whenever I think of you, my friend. Rest easy, Kyle.

Nadia Zinno

Nadia - August 29, 2018 at 02:45 PM

DR

“ I met Kyle in 2001 at Vanguard, where we worked on the same team. I remember being so delighted by his humor and quick wit, even amongst such witty peers, and I told him so. I don't think I've ever enjoyed as much laughter in the workplace as much as I did while working alongside Kyle or hearing his well-timed quip over the cubicle wall. But I was even more impressed when I got to know him better. He was a good worker and took pride in his craft. I learned from him. I'll never forget the story he told of when he befriended a neighborhood boy who was apparently struggling to find academic motivation. As I remember it, Kyle agreed to shave his own head if the boy could improve his grades to an agreed-upon extent. The boy embraced the challenge and Kyle eventually shaved his head when the challenge had it's intended effect! I'm so glad to have known Kyle.

David Ruth - August 29, 2018 at 02:23 PM

TC

“ Kyle was the first person to introduce himself to me when I joined my new team at Vanguard almost 18 years ago. He never failed to crack us up in our staff meetings or in casual conversation. The last time we talked he was so delighted to be a family man. My prayers go to his cherished family.

Thea Clark - August 28, 2018 at 05:28 PM

CT

“ Canadian team purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Kyle M. Ashinhurst.



Canadian team - August 28, 2018 at 10:18 AM

KL

“ So sorry to hear this. Emily and Maggie, you've my deepest sympathy. I will always remember to look on Kyle's face at the engagement party his team at Vanguard threw for him and Emily. It was obvious he adored her, and that the feeling was mutual. I think his feelings for Emily were only rivaled by his feelings for Maggie-- he made no secret that she was a very well-loved child. I will miss you, my friend.

Kate Lowe - August 28, 2018 at 09:53 AM

AR

“ Kyle was a good friend in high school and we'd just recently started to rekindle that friendship over the past few years. He had the sharpest wit and a great sense of humor. I will miss the banter we fell back in to like no time had passed rather than the millennia ago when we first became friends. He will be sorely missed.

Adam Resnick - August 27, 2018 at 12:22 PM

DG

“ Kyle—
Your creativity, offbeat sense of humor, and friendly spirit brightened the lives of all those around you. I feel blessed to have known you and pray for your family to find comfort in the happy memories that they shared with you.

Deb Gehron - August 27, 2018 at 10:36 AM

JR

“ I worked with Kyle on and off for almost 15 years. For the past few years, Kyle had to walk past my desk to get to his and every time he walked past he would greet me in a different way. Always respectful, always upbeat. He truly was a unique person and I will miss him so very much. Kyle, I'm sure you're editing this post. I hope I've done well!

Jenn Radich - August 27, 2018 at 08:48 AM

MB

“ Every time I saw Kyle I smiled, involuntarily, remembering all the silly things he'd said to me and hoping that he'd say something equally silly now. He always did. He was also kind, thoughtful, and, not to bury the lead, a damned talented writer. Emily and Maggie, please accept my condolences. Kyle, thanks for the laughs.

Mike Betz - August 27, 2018 at 07:31 AM

JL

“ Kyle was the first person to make me feel welcome when I started at the DLN as a reporter in the late '90s. And he was the person who made me -- and everyone else -- laugh the most. We had this thing where we'd write down funny things that reporters and editors would say in the newsroom, and I looked through it one day to see that 99% of the quotes were things Kyle said. I'm so sorry to hear of his passing. My heart goes out to his family.

Jennifer Lawson - August 26, 2018 at 02:13 PM

PM

“ So sorry to hear of Kyle's passing. May he RIP.
Emily I am sending love and prayers to you and Maggie.

Patricia McLennan - August 26, 2018 at 07:52 AM

RE

“Gone way too soon my dear friend and colleague. I will miss your pop-up chats to me to stay awake and do some work. An amazing guy with a heart of gold who always made me laugh. Peace. Bob Eisenbrown

Robert Eisenbrown - August 25, 2018 at 02:52 PM

RB

“We lost someone who could make us smile when we needed it most. I will remember him for his wit, his eloquence, and his knack for spotting the absurdity all around us that we often failed to see. I used to car pool with him years ago and he even made that awful commute fun. The time went by fast, my friend. Too fast. Rest well.

Rich Braunsberg - August 24, 2018 at 11:01 PM

TG

“I am so deeply sorry for your family’s loss. It’s out of place to mention laughter at such a sad time, but Kyle brought so much laughter into the world with his wonderful sense of humor. He will be profoundly missed.

Ted Griffith - August 24, 2018 at 09:10 PM

BY

“Betty Miller Young lit a candle in memory of Kyle M. Ashinhurst



Betty Miller Young - August 24, 2018 at 08:48 PM

SA

“ *I will miss you forever, brother. Your quick and funny wit always made me laugh. We will meet again where we can discuss all of our far ranging topics. My heart hurts.*

Susan Ashinhurst - August 24, 2018 at 06:04 PM

AC

“ *My deepest Sympathy to You & Maggie & Family. May Kyle R.I.P..*

Anna Cummings - August 24, 2018 at 05:01 PM

DS

“ *Diane Stubel lit a candle in memory of Kyle M. Ashinhurst*



Diane Stubel - August 24, 2018 at 03:45 PM

KD

“ *So sorry for your loss Emily.*

kathy Domenick - August 24, 2018 at 02:42 PM

MG

“ I only knew Kyle for two years or so (1997-1999) before marriage and kids and life took us in different directions. Like everyone who knew him, his quick wit and kindness stand out. Two memories stand out: One is man, could he read fast. We chatted about a book once, I think it was about the Civil War – can't remember the name, but I lent it to him, pre-Kindle, this was a book — and he gave it back to me the next day, already read. Second memory is a combined one: He would imitate, with uncanny accuracy, both in tone and tone of voice, people in the news we were writing about at the DLN – a certain DA who became a judge, and one particular county commissioner. All in good fun. RIP Kyle.
-Mark Gordon

Mark Gordon - August 24, 2018 at 02:41 PM

DE

“ When I met Kyle, some 20 years ago now, we were colleagues at the DLN. Later, our paths crossed again as fellow crew members and as my supervisor. Most of all, he was always my friend. I can never remember a conversation when he failed to make me laugh. I'll miss you my friend.

Dave Eldreth - August 24, 2018 at 02:24 PM

JM

“ I am shocked and saddened to hear of Kyle's passing. He was one of the wittiest people I've ever known. He was a super bright light in a super dim world. Sending so much love and comfort to his family.

Jen McGrath - August 24, 2018 at 02:05 PM

RB

“ RIP Kyle. I will always be there for Emily & Maggie. You will be missed.

Randi B Berger - August 24, 2018 at 01:51 PM

CB

“ I am heartbroken to hear of Kyle’s passing. We were co-workers, colleagues and friends. I will miss his quick wit, eloquent style, and interesting conversations and above all his friendship. My deepest condolences to his family and all who knew him. Rest In Peace my lovely friend Kyle. You will be deeply missed.

cynthia barrett - August 24, 2018 at 12:58 PM

KD

EMILY, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your husband. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

kathy Domenick - August 24, 2018 at 02:24 PM



“ I loved Kyle's sense of humor. His fast wit and love of absurdism made him one of my favorite people to follow on Facebook.

Keegan Donovan - August 24, 2018 at 12:50 PM

KR

“ Kyle's cheery disposition lit up the room. He only had positive words even in challenging situations. I will miss his smile, calming presence, and kindness. My prayers for his family.

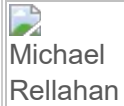
Kristen - August 24, 2018 at 12:41 PM

EP

“ Emily Progin lit a candle in memory of Kyle M. Ashinhurst



Emily Progin - August 24, 2018 at 12:30 PM



Michael Rellahan

“ *One of the wittiest and friendliest people I have ever known and had the pleasure to work with. So sorry to hear of his death.*

Michael Rellahan - August 24, 2018 at 12:26 PM

PH

“ *Kyle was an acquaintance at work the past two years and I'll remember him for his humor, intellect and responsiveness to business needs. It was a pleasure working with him and it will be impossible to fill the void. My condolences and I hope you can find peace in the many positive memories Kyle blessed us all with.*

Phil - August 24, 2018 at 11:34 AM

SV

*Kyle was my manager but he was also a kind & thoughtful friend. Kyle had a big heart that touched so many. Thank you for always caring about others, sharing your heart & laughter with us. You were one of a kind -authentic.
Rip my friend 🥺 Sherri Vaughan*

Sherry Vaughan - August 25, 2018 at 08:56 PM

EP

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Emily Progin - August 24, 2018 at 11:32 AM

RP

“ Kyle's quick wit and sense of humor will truly be missed. But what truly stood out to me was his love for his daughter. Her drawings wallpapered his cubicle. I remember, on several occasions, hearing him on the phone with her at his desk. He was never shy to engage in playful conversation with her for all to hear. That spoke to how proud he was to be her dad and inspires me to do the same with my boys. I'm grateful to have known him.

Ron Pennington - August 24, 2018 at 11:32 AM