



Keith Alan Junot

September 5, 1959 - September 6, 2023

Keith Alan Junot, 64, was born in south Louisiana in the town of Rayne, which among other things is known as the frog capital of the world.

He graduated from El Campo High School in 1978 and went to Wharton County Junior College on a full jazz drum scholarship. He played with his first band, “The Possum Creek Wranglers”.

Keith grew up in Texas. He lived in Alaska for 26 years, winning the AK State fiddling contest for two years in a row. He was named the 2019 Instrumentalist of the Year and was inducted into the Texas Musicians Hall of Fame. Also in 2019, he was inducted into the Western Swing Music Society of the Southwest in Lawton, OK. He was inducted into the Fiddler’s Frolics Hall of Fame this year in 2023. His father was inducted in 1988, posthumously.

He won numerous contests from early on and became a professional musician, having played all over the United States, Canada and Alaska.

He opened for numerous acts such as Brooks and Dunn, Restless Heart, Montgomery Gentry, Aaron Tippin, Jerry Jeff Walker, John Michael Montgomery, Ronnie Milsap, Reba McEntire and many more.

Keith was in the very first Fiddler’s Frolics at Weeds Hall in 1971 at the age of 12. His musical influences include his dad, Ed Junot, “The Fiddlin’ Cajun”,

Frenchie Burke, Doug Kershaw, Johnny Gimble and Dale Morris.

He is survived by his mother, Patsy Junot; daughter, Heather Phillips; two grandchildren; brother, Randy Junot and wife Laure; sister, Michelle King and husband Wayne; nieces and nephews, Russell Junot Jr., Garrett King, Kaylee King, Timmy Leach, Holden Autry, Brandon Autry and Kasey Rodriguez.

Keith was preceded in death by his father, Ed Junot; brother, Russell Junot; paternal grandparents, Volcar and Lena Junot; maternal grandparents, Ike and Annie Sablatura and aunts, Lou Gardner, Leola Leger and Dolores Faler.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m. Monday, September 11 at Triska Funeral Home. Funeral services begin at 10 a.m. Tuesday, September 12 at the funeral home with burial to follow at Garden of Memories Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Lee Barber, Kevin Barber, Randy Boyd, Chris Howard, Larry Callies and Kenneth Boudreaux.

Memorial donations in memory of Keith Junot may be made to help assist the family defray funeral expenses.

Triska Funeral Home, El Campo, 979-543-3681

Cemetery Details

Garden of Memories

US Business 59 and CR 358
El Campo, TX 77437

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home
612 Merchant Street
El Campo, TX 77437-3440
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Funeral Service

SEP 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SA

“ *Susan Alcorn lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot*



Susan Alcorn - September 23, 2023 at 12:31 PM

SA

Rest in Peace, dear friend. See you on the other side.

Susan Alcorn - September 23, 2023 at 12:32 PM

CF

“ *Oh, Keith was a great performer. Expressing my deepest sympathy to his family, band & friends 🥹🙏❤️.*
- Cindy Fontana (born & raised in El Campo)



Cindy (Chovanec) Fontana - September 12, 2023 at 10:24 AM

JZ

“ *JoAnn Zernicek lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot*



JoAnn Zernicek - September 11, 2023 at 04:57 PM

KK

“ *Kathy Koudela lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot*



Kathy Koudela - September 11, 2023 at 03:31 PM

CT

“ *We're all terribly saddened by the loss of a wonderful human and an extraordinary friend. But one thing for sure, Heaven just got to be a better place! Love & condolences! Carol Zieschang Tomlinson*

Carol Tomlinson - September 11, 2023 at 12:46 PM

CT

“ *Carol Tomlinson lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot*



Carol Tomlinson - September 11, 2023 at 12:42 PM

JW

“ *My condolences to Keith's family, friends and fellow musicians. I had the pleasure of running sound on Keith while working with the Nathan Colt Young band. Keith brought a special flavor to the band with his laughter and passion for taking photos on the road. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. James Weber Live Sound Engineer.*

James Weber - September 10, 2023 at 09:27 PM

BW

“ Your work on Earth was complete and God called you to your eternal home. God Bless you and your beautiful family. Until we meet again, may you RIP Dear Sweet Friend. Here on Earth, we are just passing through. A glorious day is when God calls us home.

Burt, Janet & Cody Winkler - September 09, 2023 at 11:00 PM

P(

“ Many fond memories of our long ago high school days together. A very sweet young man and profoundly talented musician, and we were blessed to have him share his gifts with us. I imagine he is fiddling for the angels now.



Patricia Tomanek (Hollingsworth) - September 09, 2023 at 10:15 PM

TM

“ 1 file added to the album Anchorage, AK



Tom Moseley - September 09, 2023 at 09:19 PM

LM

“ Lu Matzke lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot



lu matzke - September 09, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ Keith gladly and graciously played on a tune on my CD, and this was by far my favorite...He was an amazing player of all instruments he could handle as well as a great and fun guy. He will be sorely missed way up north in Alaska as well. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XE2HJGPsR18>
Thank you for your awesomeness, Keith.

LuLu Small - September 09, 2023 at 04:20 PM



“ I have known the family for 40 yrs.-the nicest people you could every meet. We enjoyed his music.
Six Mile Leroy & Maeva Chanek

Leroy & Maeva Chanek - September 09, 2023 at 02:55 PM



“ Martin Strarup lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot



Martin Strarup - September 09, 2023 at 01:25 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Keith Alan Junot.



September 09, 2023 at 10:56 AM

CC

“ I played several events with Keith, over the last few years. A fine fiddler and good musician. I was very fortunate to know and play music along side him.

Clint Herzer (drummer) - September 09, 2023 at 09:40 AM

BM

“ Keith was one of the sweetest people I have ever met. His talent in music was phenomenal. I could listen to him play on & on. Heaven sure is having a sing along with beautiful music with him there. Prayers for comfort for his entire family. He will be missed but spoke of often!

Billie Males - September 08, 2023 at 10:25 PM

AP

“ Patsy and Family I know that it is hard to deal with at this time! Just remember he isn't suffering any more! Prayers for you all! I am thinking of you!

Ann Palmer - September 08, 2023 at 07:26 PM

CC

“ So sorry for your loss. Keith was a good man and great performances at dances and parties

Clara Cerny - September 08, 2023 at 07:07 PM

SP

“ Shirley Popp lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot



Shirley Popp - September 08, 2023 at 04:56 PM

BS

“ Beverly Stockinger lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot



Beverly Stockinger - September 08, 2023 at 04:16 PM

BS

“ Keith was one of the kindest men I had ever met,so down to earth .very sweet, will miss him coming into Walmart . From his favorite cashier .God Bless his family,very sorry for your loss.

Beverly Stockinger - September 08, 2023 at 04:15 PM

LB

“ Lisa B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Keith Alan Junot.

Lisa B. - September 08, 2023 at 04:07 PM

FJ

“ Franks Family Fred, Melodye, Robbie, Janell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Keith Alan Junot.

Franks Family Fred, Melodye, Robbie, Janell - September 08, 2023 at 03:46 PM

FJ

“ *Franks Family Fred, Melodye, Robbie, Janell purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Keith Alan Junot.*



Franks Family Fred, Melodye, Robbie, Janell - September 08, 2023 at 03:46 PM

KL

“ *Kirk & Imelda Loos lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot*



Kirk & Imelda Loos - September 08, 2023 at 03:36 PM

DS

“ *David & Charlene Linhart Smith lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot*



David & Charlene Linhart Smith - September 08, 2023 at 03:23 PM

PD

“ *Patricia DYBALA lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot*



Patricia DYBALA - September 08, 2023 at 03:05 PM

BR

He was a good friend We had a good time this is Brent racca he will be miss my good brother 😞

Brent Racca - September 08, 2023 at 03:15 PM

BR

I love you guys he will be miss ❤️ 🙏

Brent Racca - September 08, 2023 at 03:16 PM

AM

“ Keith somewhat recently put some fine tuners on my fiddle for me. We did some horsetrading with instruments and musical equipment as well. He always liked coming to my house because he thought I had a bunch of "neat stuff." I am most saddened that he is no longer with us other than in spirit. May he be fiddlin' and raisin' the roof in Heaven!



Andrea McCann - September 08, 2023 at 03:03 PM

SH

I.ve know keith since he played fiddle in DIXIE, with my adopted brother, guitar player, kenny w. Bet those 2 are playing WONDERFUL tunes for GOD !

Sandy hamilton - September 08, 2023 at 07:08 PM

DS

So sorry for your loss.

Diane Stewart - September 08, 2023 at 10:41 PM

 Randy
Floyd

“ Keith and I met at the Dallas Steel Guitar Show a few years back. We became instant friends and I got a big kick out of his frank comments about music and musicians. We went to lunch at Denny's and visited about his years in Alaska and my years all over and had a million laughs. Later in the day some of the musicians in the Mullen room were straying from Traditional Country Music. Keith left the room and went walking around so I joined him. We walked around and talked about music. After a while I said hey let's go back in the room and jam some more. He said "I been in there all morning and haven't heard a fiddle song yet. If you hear one call me and I will come join you". We used it as a joke over the years. I would message him and tell him where I was playing and say "we don't have any fiddle songs". He would say "hey you know I play drums and guitar also don't you". When I would send him a picture of a guitar I had purchased or was up for sale his response would always be "Can I Have It". I would always say "yes and what do you want to go with it". Then we would be off and running about music equipment. I will miss him greatly. Prayers for his family during this difficult time. I know that band upstairs just got hot onto those fiddle tunes when he arrived. And yes now Keith You Can Have It... That golden fiddle my friend.

Randy Floyd - September 08, 2023 at 02:53 PM

DN

“ Debbie Nelson lit a candle in memory of Keith
Alan Junot



Debbie Nelson - September 08, 2023 at 02:51 PM

FF

“ *Floyd And Becky Fisher lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot*



Floyd and Becky Fisher - September 08, 2023 at 02:46 PM

LS

“ *Liz Staff lit a candle in memory of Keith Alan Junot*



Liz Staff - September 08, 2023 at 01:37 PM