



Jonathan "Jon" Adam Kribs

March 23, 1985 - October 20, 2024

Jonathan "Jon" Adam Kribs, 39, of Godfrey, went to be with his Savior, at 1:35 a.m. Sunday, October 20, 2024 at OSF St. Anthony's Health Center after a hard fought and courageous battle with cholangiocarcinoma. Born March 23, 1985, in Alton, IL, he was the son of Thomas "Tom" Kribs of Brighton, IL and the late Karen L. (Klohr) Kribs.

Jon was a 2003 graduate of Alton High School where he played soccer and was a kicker on the football team, sang in the choir and was a member of the Encounter Youth Choir. Jon attended Lewis and Clark Community College and Ranken Technical College where he graduated in 2007 with a degree in architecture. He was employed by Holland Construction as a Virtual Design and Construction Engineer. He was a former lifeguard, swim instructor, and lifeguard instructor at Lewis and Clark for many years. Jon was an Eagle Scout and a member of the Godfrey Knights of Columbus 4th Degree. He was also a member of St. Ambrose Catholic Church and was an active member of the youth group when he was in high school and was a youth leader while in college.

On June 21, 2008, he married the former Emily Kruse of Godfrey. She survives. In addition to his father and wife, he is survived by two daughters, Kendall and Lydia Kribs at home, a brother, Timothy Kribs (Brandy) of Delhi, a sister, Kristin Claybaker (Jordan) of Wentzville, MO, father- and mother-in-law Mark and Debbie Kruse of Godfrey, sister-in-law Kara (Ryan) Govreau of Godfrey and eight nieces and nephews: Andrew, Alexander, Adam, Abram,

and Anna Kribs, Evan Claybaker, and Norah and Addison Govreau, and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his mother, maternal grandparents Albert and Susan Klohr, and paternal grandparents Harold and Jeanie Kribs and Dorothy Kribs.

Jon was the ultimate family man, best girl dad (unless glitter was involved), Flag Day aficionado, and a huge fan of the shorts and sandals combination year-round. He looked forward to going on camping and trout fishing trips at Montauk State Park, which was a tradition carried on from his dad and grandpa. Jon had a joy for traveling that began at a young age when he went on many road trips with his family. He also enjoyed float trips (where he was always in charge of cooking breakfast and fire building), hiking, and watching his girls' sporting events. He was always up for a spontaneous adventure with Emily and the girls and was always working on the next "dad joke" or sarcastic comment. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

Per his request, cremation rites were accorded and there will be no visitation.

A memorial Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, October 26, 2024 at St. Ambrose Catholic Church in Godfrey with luncheon to follow in the community center. Interment will occur at a later time. Father Steven Janoski will officiate. Celebration of life to be planned for a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Kendall and Lydia's Education Fund in care of the family. Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements. Online guestbook and information may be found at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **26**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Ambrose Catholic Church
820 West Homer Adams Pkway
Godfrey, IL 62035

Tribute Wall

KG

“ I just read the obituary of this sweet little boy who lived down the hill from us 30 years ago. I lost my husband in a car accident and that little angel would ride his bike up the hill nearly every day and hang out with me. I think he just wanted to make sure I was ok. I've never forgotten him and from what I read he never changed. I am truly sorry for your loss. Kay Gross

Kay Gross - October 27, 2024 at 12:08 PM

KA

“ I went to high school with Jon. He was one of the rare, genuine, "good guys." He was nice to everyone, And I mean everyone. I would say he made everyone feel important he talked to. And he treated everyone with the same respect. I have no doubt his kindness and generosity went even further after high school. I am truly sorry for his family and close ones.

Kathy - October 26, 2024 at 10:12 PM

KS

Kathy Sowders

Kathy Sowders - October 26, 2024 at 10:14 PM

VI

“ I want to give my deepest sympathy to Emily, Kendall and Lydia and their family. Jon was an outstanding person and he will be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with the Kribs family.
Vic Spagnola

VicSpagnola - October 26, 2024 at 10:13 AM

TB

“ *The Kollore Family Mike, Fontava & Bella purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jonathan "Jon" Adam Kribs.*



The Kollore Family Mike, Fontava & Bella - October 25, 2024
at 09:56 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jonathan "Jon" Adam Kribs.

October 24, 2024 at 10:59 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Jonathan "Jon" Adam Kribs.*



October 24, 2024 at 10:59 PM

CA

“ *Carol A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan "Jon" Adam Kribs.*

Carol A. - October 24, 2024 at 05:18 PM

JK

“ Emily and girls, We were so sorry to hear about your husband's passing! We had been keeping track of his health through your dad (we lived down the street from your parents until we recently moved), and were optimistic that maybe he would continue to do well. May God be with you all, and keep you in His comforting arms during this sad time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Jerry and Jan Keplinger

Jerry and Jan Keplinger - October 24, 2024 at 12:17 AM

CA

“ Corporate Chaplains of America planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan "Jon" Adam Kribs.

Corporate Chaplains of America - October 23, 2024 at 04:37 PM



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LW

“ Emily,
I'm so sorry for your loss. Jon was a really great guy. I will be praying for you and your girls. Fondly, Mrs Wong

Leslie Wong - October 22, 2024 at 07:24 PM

KW

“ I was fortunate to work alongside Jon, who was not only exceptional at what he did and a great teacher, but also an extraordinary person. His humor always brightened the day, and he had a unique gift for solving even the most complex coordination issues. Working with Jon was never just work, it was always fun.

Kyle Wesolowski - October 22, 2024 at 07:52 AM

RS

“ Rachel Staten planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jonathan "Jon" Adam Kribs.

Rachel Staten - October 21, 2024 at 09:21 PM

RS

“ Rachel Staten purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Jonathan "Jon" Adam Kribs.



Rachel Staten - October 21, 2024 at 09:21 PM