



Nicholas Kent Sumpter

February 13, 1983 - January 25, 2023

Nicholas Kent Sumpter, 39, of Stillwater, passed away on January 25th, 2023. He was born at Holloman Air Force Base in New Mexico on February 13, 1983, to Kenneth Sumpter and Diane (Langham) Sumpter.

Growing up in an Air Force family, Nicholas lived in a variety of places and enjoyed family adventures that gave him many unique experiences, however, home has always been at the family farm in Oklahoma, where he felt most at peace. Nicholas was active in church growing up and was active in his church youth group. He also loved to be in the water spending summers at the pool and participating in swim team in high school, and more recently sharing his skills by giving swim lessons and working as a lifeguard. Nicholas was known for his friendliness along with his willingness to lend a helping hand or encouraging word.

After graduating from Enid High School, he attended Northwest Oklahoma State and later received his Associate's Degree from Northern Oklahoma College, and was a current student at Oklahoma State University (OSU) pursuing a degree in Theatre. Nicholas was passionate about acting and had a love for the performing arts. He was a versatile actor with a talent for bringing a wide range of characters to life. He excelled in comedy, drama, and everything in between, showcasing his range and skill on stage. He was well-known in the local theatre community, and appeared in theatres across Oklahoma, including the Gaslight Theatre in Enid, the Town & Gown Community Theatre in Stillwater, the Oklahoma State University Theatre in

Stillwater, and Oklahoma Shakespeare in the Park in Oklahoma City. He also graced the stages of theatres in Tulsa and Kansas City, MO. He had an extensive acting career, appearing in many well-known productions. Some of his notable appearances were in productions of "Harvey," "A Midsummer Night's Dream," "Guys and Dolls," "The Importance of Being Ernest," "A Comedy of Errors" with Shakespeare in the Park, "A Doll's House," "The Hound of Baskerville," "The Kitchen Witches," "Twelfth Night" with Shakespeare in the Park, "Picasso at the Lapin Agile," "The Crucible," "Intimate Apparel," "Slapped!" and even appeared in an online production of "The Complete Works of William Shakespeare Abridged". He brought his talent, dedication, and creativity to every role, leaving a lasting impact on audiences and fellow actors alike. His passion, creativity, humor, and talent for acting will always be remembered.

Nicholas' two children, Eleanor and Henry, were a special part of his life. He loved sharing important parts of his life with them by taking them to places like the family farm where he took them on all his favorite adventures whether that was fishing at the pond or a hike to the creek. He was happy to share what he loved most with Eleanor and Henry. He cherished Eleanor's energy and creativity and Henry's kindness and inquisitiveness. He was so proud of the people they are becoming and always supported their individuality. He made sure they always knew just how much he loved them.

In recent weeks Nicholas had spent time reading the book of Matthew. A verse he had highlighted:

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

He is preceded in death by his sister Melissa Sumpter.

He is survived by his parents Kenneth and Diane Sumpter, his sister Tricia Hanska and family, his children Eleanor Sumpter and Henry Sumpter, and his wife Kim (Sumpter) Cox.

A graveside service will be held on February 4, 2023, at 2:30PM at Oglesby Cemetery in Oglesby, Oklahoma.

In Lieu of flowers donations can be made to:

Garland Road Baptist Church - <https://www.grbcenid.com>

OSU Theater Department - https://cas.okstate.edu/department_of_theatre/index.html

https://cas.okstate.edu/department_of_theatre/giving.html

Stillwater Animal Welfare - <http://stillwater.org/page/home/government/departments-divisions/animal-welfare>

Cemetery Details

Oglesby Cemetery

Oglesby, OK

Previous Events

Formal Visitation

FEB 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory
1600 SE Washington Blvd.
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 333-4300
info@stumpff.org
<https://www.stumpff.org>

Graveside Service

FEB 4. 2:30 PM (CT)

Oglesby Cemetery
Oglesby, OK

Tribute Wall



“ I was fortunate enough to grow up (sort of) with Nick. I just recently heard of his passing and I'm utterly heartbroken. Ken and Diane, I've never forgotten you guys. I miss Nick. All my love, Paige Bacino (Bill and Wanda O'Dell's granddaughter)

paige - November 01, 2023 at 07:19 PM



“ *Nicholas Kent Sumpter*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *Nicholas Kent Sumpter*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ I was fortunate to know Nick through the Gaslight Theatre in Enid and have always enjoyed his talent. As the theatre's photographer, I have seen and captured quite a few of his shows. If anyone from his family would like to download those photographs they are welcome to email me at info@muncyphotography.com and I'll send a download code a no charge. I would very much like his children to have them. My sincerest condolences. My heart breaks for your family.

Dawn Muncy - February 04, 2023 at 12:37 AM



“ 13 files added to the album Flower Pictures



Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory - February 03, 2023 at 04:13 PM

BB

“ All of us here at Garland Road Baptist Church are praying for Ken, Diane, Tricia, and all the family during this time. We were amazed at reading how many plays Nicholas performed in, and our church made a donation to the OSU Theater Department in memory of Nicholas. We will continue praying for God's peace and help in this time.

Pastor Billy and GRBC family

Billy Benson - February 02, 2023 at 06:09 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Nicholas Kent Sumpter.



February 02, 2023 at 01:03 PM

VB

“ I performed in several plays at Town and Gown with Nic. I even cast him in my directorial debut. His character was so well crafted he lit up the stage. His light will be missed on the stage but even more his friendship will be missed by those that shared a green room with him.

Vance Black - February 02, 2023 at 12:38 PM

HS

“ I was very sad to hear of Nick’s passing. He will always hold a special place in my heart. We became friends in junior high. He was my first love and my first heartbreak. I was so glad that we were able to remain friends through high school and stay in contact as Facebook friends throughout the years. It was always really cool to see what play or production he was involved in. My prayers are with his family, I’m so sorry for your loss.

Holly (Nulph) Squire - February 02, 2023 at 11:58 AM

KA

“ I am so sorry to read the news about Nick. He and I were friends for many years. I will miss him!

Kat - February 02, 2023 at 09:38 AM

LM

“ We are so sorry for the loss of Nicholas and are keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers. With love - Lesta and Clyde Morgan

Lesta Morgan - February 01, 2023 at 12:29 AM

CW

“ Roger and I were so sorry to hear the news about Nick. We remember him as being such a cute and vivacious guy who was such fun to watch during his Gaslight days!!! What talent!!! We are heartbroken for your family and want you to know that you all are in our prayers. Cherish the wonderful memories you have of your time together! It was much too short!! We send our love! Roger and Catherine Wiles

Catherine Wiles - January 31, 2023 at 07:34 PM

JB

“ I am so sorry for your loss, I am afraid I cannot say exactly what is truly in my heart for I have never lost a child... So I can only hope God holds you in his loving hands and gives you peace !!!! Pappy & Elizabeth

Jack Beam - January 30, 2023 at 11:19 PM

LF

“ Love your RCW families purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Nicholas Kent Sumpter.



Love your RCW families - January 30, 2023 at 12:26 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Nicholas Kent Sumpter.



January 30, 2023 at 12:18 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Nicholas Kent Sumpter.*



January 30, 2023 at 12:10 PM



“ *Eastin family and Jon Graber Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Nicholas Kent Sumpter.*



Eastin family and Jon Graber Family - January 30, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ *I met Nicholas when I was involved in a church youth group in Enid. We both needed a friend and spent time at each other's houses, youth events, sleepovers, and church camps. It was him that showed me how to properly lift weights in a gym. He was always so easy to talk to, inclusive, and really enjoyed performing. When I returned to my hometown for a summer to be in Grease, he pulled me aside and told me “You're Kenickie!! That's a lead role and you're going to kill it”. He was a loyal friend and his passing is a significant loss.*

Phillip Wanzer - January 29, 2023 at 06:37 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Nicholas Kent Sumpter.*



January 28, 2023 at 06:41 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Nicholas Kent Sumpter.*



January 28, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *My heart goes out to you. Our family is praying you feel God's presence and comfort as you grieve. A memory of Nicholas I have is when he was very young and he and his family were visiting us in our home in Houston. He was so cute and energetic. However, I don't think he liked going to bed, because he was hungry at our house right before bed time. He was usually hungry for ice cream, but Diane talked him into something a little healthier. I loved the stories of his acting in school and in the community. I was unable to see him act but definitely wish I had gone to some of his plays. We enjoyed seeing him, occasionally, at football games, Cousin Kim*

Kim Watson - January 28, 2023 at 03:04 PM