



## Jonathan Kelley Reeves

August 29, 1983 - February 29, 2024

Jonathan Kelly Reeves passed away on February 29, 2024 in Burnsville, MN at the age 40. Born to Mark and Paula Reeves in Shakopee, MN on August 29, 1983.

Jonathan was homeschooled and graduated in 2002. He attended Normandale Community College for 2 years to continue dancing with the Continental Ballet Company where he was a dancer for 15 years. He then transferred to University of Minnesota-Duluth, where he earned a degree in communications with a minor in foreign studies in 2008. Jonathan went on to spend 15 years as an education assistant in special education at a few schools before he ended up at Nicollet Middle School in Burnsville. He excelled in the Autistic Spectrum Disorder program and loved his students. He'd come home with so many wonderful stories to tell. He quit working at the school only because his calling for something greater came into his life--to become a stay-at-home dad by day. He also worked as a mental health support specialist at People Incorporated at night. He had dreams to once again be an educational assistant in a few years.

In 2015, Jonathan welcomed a beautiful boy into his life, Jude Leslie Reeves, with his then wife, Jill Reeves. Jude shared his middle name with his aunt, Shannon Leslie Reeves (aka Jonathan's Stinkbutt), who passed away shortly before Jude arrived. Jude was the light of Jonathan's life, his Bear, and they

shared a love of cooking shows, great food, and their so similar sense of humor.

In 2018, Jonathan met the love his life, his soul mate, his best friend, Casandra (Cassie) Dockter-Reeves. After a short time of dating, Jonathan was smitten, and forever-single Cassie was overwhelmed by his affection. Cassie soon realized how easy it was to love, and five months later Jonathan asked her to move in. He proposed on their two-year anniversary. They were married in Cannon Beach, OR on July 26, 2021 on the beach where scenes from The Goonies were filmed (GNSD).

On March 24, 2023, Jonathan and Cassie welcomed their sweet baby boy, Everest Kiefer Dockter-Reeves. He loved being a stay-at-home dad to his Boo-boo, spending his days playing guitar and singing to him. There's nothing he loved more than making Everest laugh. Jude was the exclamation of Jonathan's life, Everest the point.

Jonathan brought love and joy and kindness and a fashion sense to every person he met. He made life better for everyone who knew him. He was one-of-a-kind. His smile could light up any room. His puns could make anyone shake their head and laugh. If you were loved by Jonathan, you were lucky. His former student wrote to Cassie this week, "Jonathan was a good man, a caring man, a kind man and a loving man . . . He left a mark on this world that nobody else could have and his mark will be remembered for millenniums to come."

He will be missed by his family, students, friends, coworkers, wife and especially by the two bright spots in his life, his sweet Bear and Boo-boo.

Jonathan is preceded in death by his little sister, Shannon; his uncle, Jim; and many other extended family members. Jonathan's memory will be kept alive

by his wife, Cassie Dockter-Reeves; his children, Jude and Everest; his parents, Mark and Paula Reeves; his siblings, Chad Reeves, Conor (Amzie) Reeves, Kelsey (Stephanie) Reeves, Melissa Fox, Christopher Reeves, Christian Reeves, Callie Reeves, Ella Reeves & Jacob Reeves; his in-laws, Garland and Idella Dockter, Becky (Mike Volesky) Dockter, Jessie (Dave) Dockter Tierney; many nieces and nephews, Dominic, Drake, Owen, Kaia, Brynn, Deklen, Emma, Andols, Greysen, Sam, and Eloise; and many friends, coworkers and students.

A memorial service to honor Jonathan's life will be held on Sunday, March 10 at 11AM with visitation at 10AM (note: daylight savings time begins that day) at Washburn-McReavy, Bloomington Chapel, 2300 West Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN 55431.

A fundraiser to provide assistance to Cassie during this tremendously difficult time can be found here;

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/jonathan-reeves?utm\\_campaign=p\\_nacp+share-sheet&utm\\_medium=copy\\_link&utm\\_source=customer](https://www.gofundme.com/f/jonathan-reeves?utm_campaign=p_nacp+share-sheet&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_source=customer)

If you can't give financially, please hold Cassie, Jude, and Everest in your heart and minds. Your loving energy is felt.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bloomington Chapel  
2300 W Old Shakopee Rd  
Bloomington, MN 55431  
(952) 884-8145  
[info@washburn-mcreavy.com](mailto:info@washburn-mcreavy.com)

## Chapel Service

MAR 10. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ 15 files added to the album Family



Cassie Dockter-Reeves - March 09, 2024 at 08:28 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jonathan Kelley Reeves.



March 08, 2024 at 12:39 PM

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“ I have such fond memories of Jonathan and the Reeves family circa 1990-2005. During the ballet era for us all. :D I am so sad to hear of Jonathan's passing. His family sounds very wonderful and special (just like him!) and I will keep you all in my thoughts.

Nicole - March 08, 2024 at 11:19 AM

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Thanks Nicole. Continental days are some of my best memories with Jonathan.

Paula Reeves - March 09, 2024 at 04:57 PM

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*Paula!!! I love you and miss you so much! Wish I could have been there this weekend. The Reeves were a staple of CBC.*

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**Nicole Z** - March 12, 2024 at 01:31 PM