

**Keith Christian Blair**, (3 Apr 1980 – 29 Oct 2005), Patriot-News, Sunday, October 30, 2005

**Keith Christian Blair**, 25, of Jerome, PA, originally from Newport, PA, died Saturday, October 29, 2005, in Jerome, PA.

Born on April 3, 1980 in Camp Hill, PA, he was a son of **Tom** and **Ruth (Trout) Blair**. He was baptized at St. Bernard's Catholic Church, New Bloomfield, PA.

He attended Newport Elementary and graduated from Newport Jr./Sr. High School, received a B.S. in Music Education at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Master's in Trombone Performance at Ohio University, and received a full scholarship for doctoral work at Michigan State University.

He was the husband of **Elizabeth Hillegass Blair**, whom he married on December 31, 2003, at Kaufmann Mennonite Church, Davidsville, PA.

Surviving in addition to his parents and wife, are sisters, **Christine (Blair) Klinger**, **Katie (Blair) Thomas**, and **Stephanie (Blair) Jones**; and brothers, **Tom**, **Mark**, **Andrew**, **Matthew** and **Jason Blair**.

Whether as a husband, son, brother, uncle, nephew, godfather or friend, Keith demonstrated the qualities of a true gentleman. Humor was always nearby and welcomed throughout his life. He confronted academic challenges with enthusiasm and enjoyed sharing his musical interests with others. Keith will be greatly missed by all, yet his spirit will live in our hearts forever.

Viewing will take place on October 30, 2005, between the hours of 5-7 p.m., at Kaufmann Mennonite Church, Davidsville, PA. Funeral service will follow, starting at 7 p.m. Keith will be laid to rest on Monday, October 31, 2005 in Newport, PA, following a Mass at St. Bernard Catholic Church in New Bloomfield, PA at 11 a.m.

The family would like to extend their deepest gratitude to the nurses of AseraCare Hospice. They were angels on Earth.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to "Save the Music Foundation".

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