



## Kirk White

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Kirk Andrew White, 51, passed away on September 11, 2023 in Austin, Texas. He was born on September 5, 1972, in Tomah, Wisconsin. He attended Tomah High School, where he played football and hockey, graduating in 1990. Following high school, Kirk attended and graduated from the University of Wisconsin at Madison with degrees in history and philosophy. He then moved to Texas, where he earned a graduate degree in history from the University of North Texas. After deciding to teach, Kirk moved to Austin and earned his teaching certificate from the University of Texas at Austin. He was employed as a middle school teacher by the Austin ISD and took a position at the Bailey Middle School in South Austin. Here Kirk continued teaching for over twenty years. In the fall of 2023, Kirk moved to a new school, Sycamore Springs Middle School in the Dripping Springs School District.

Kirk is survived by his parents, LeRoy and Kathleen White of Denton, Texas, and three brothers and their families: Mark (Kathy) White, of South Elgin, IL; Chad (Cindy) White of Round Rock, TX; Brett White (Cassy Nehring) of La Canada/Flintridge, CA: and many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends were a priority to Kirk. He generously spent much of his time visiting them each year. Kirk will be remembered for: his passion for the things he believed in, his love for disc golf, his animated and humorous story-

telling, and his gift for baking incredible pies. He was loved deeply and will be greatly missed.

# Tribute Wall

NB

“ *My sincere condolences to Mr. White's family. I remember him being an intelligent and outgoing teacher. He mentioned his favorite song in class, and throughout the years, it still sticks with me.*

Nina Butryn - January 25, 2025 at 02:23 PM

AN

“ *99% sure he was a CP addict I used to be a student and he was definitely a perv*

Anonomus - November 22, 2024 at 04:08 PM

CP

*Most likely false allegations because of students that disliked him, can't believe you would post that here*

coleton prefontaine - December 17, 2024 at 03:15 PM

LA

*That is the cruelest thing you can do. Make an accusation like that and not say who you are, yeah you are real brave.*

Laura - March 14, 2025 at 07:07 PM

CP

“ *I heard he committed suicide be cause he was caught watching CP.*

Carson Purdy - June 21, 2024 at 11:07 AM

MA

*Hello I'm a former student of him i believe this to be true but maybe this isn't the right place to be saying this as horrible as the reality is just saying*

malachi - June 22, 2024 at 02:46 AM

MT

*Honestly Mr. Francis just better Fr*

**micaiah ternes** - June 25, 2024 at 10:41 AM

JW

“ *I only had Mr. White for half of the school year, I liked him a lot. When I discovered he passed I was shaking from grief. I prayed to god,, asking why he takes good people out of the world. I miss your Mr. White. Rest Easy - J.W.*

**Jay Wasserman** - December 11, 2023 at 01:01 PM

JT

“ *Mr. White was a good man, I remember he brought a slice of pie for me for lunch because I had nothing to eat. I think when he taught me history that was a big part of my life because it helped me decide what I want to do in life. I want to become a history teacher because of Mr. White. Thank you Mr. White for everything, I hope you are in gods hands and his warm embrace, rest in peace. Regard, to the White Family  
-J.T.*

**Josh Taylor** - December 07, 2023 at 11:43 AM

SM

“ *I remember he always say not to say Jimity Crickets, He would also always talk about politics, I thought that was interesting because none of my other teachers did that. I think he wanted to stand up for what he thought was right and I respected him a lot as a teacher, and a man. He would always come to school with a postive mindset and ready to shape the minds of the younger generation. Rest in Peace Mr. White.*

**Santiago Munoz** - December 06, 2023 at 12:06 PM

UN

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



unknown - December 06, 2023 at 11:53 AM

UN

“ Good man, will miss him, rest in peace

unknown - December 06, 2023 at 11:51 AM

UN

“ 2 files added to the album Kirk



unknown - December 06, 2023 at 11:43 AM

UN

“ There is just something about the name, Kirk White. An Awesome teacher, always making class exciting. Will miss him dearly.

unknown - December 06, 2023 at 11:40 AM

MA

“ I remember he would always tell us not to say what the, just the words what the, I thought it was silly but now I realize he probably just wanted his classroom to be a peaceful learning environment he was a great teacher he really was I'll always miss him if I'm being honest I looked him up out of curiosity to see where he was today but instead I stumbled upon this I'm incredibly sad and at a loss for words but I just wanted to share how great of a person really was he always helped and cared, he was always there for me and my peers Rest In Peace Mr White❤️

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**Malachi** - November 19, 2023 at 07:52 PM

AR

“ Im sorry about the loss of Kirk Andrew White he'll be missed sincerely

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**Anthony Roberts** - October 23, 2023 at 11:25 AM

JJ

“ I'm very deeply sorry about the loss of Kirk Andrew White

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**John Johnson** - October 21, 2023 at 06:16 PM

UN

“ He was my teacher and i was very sad to find out he passed. He was a great teacher.

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**unknown** - October 18, 2023 at 08:42 PM

LM

“ Kirk was a dedicated teacher and was engaged with his students and their lives. He was also an active leader with Education Austin, our local teacher and school staff union. Kirk was the building representative at Bailey MS for many years and also served on the Education Austin Executive Board. He had a deep commitment to education not just as a vocation but as a political act and he was well-read in the history of trade unionism and the history of public education as a fundamental element of democratic society. Kirk embodied an interesting duality in that he both embraced his part in the collective and yet often went his own way. He was respected by his peers and was much admired and loved. I offer my condolences to his family.

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**Louis Malfaro** - October 18, 2023 at 11:34 AM

CA

“ I enjoyed the many animated conversations I had with Kirk during our mutual time together at Bailey MS and talking to Kirk about frisbee golf and our love for CO. I will remember the many happy hours we both attended, especially the last one he invited me to at his house this past summer. I will smile at the memories when I would holler at Kirk when I would pass him on his bike on our ways home from school. He will be missed. Rest in peace, my friend and fellow Bailey Bear.

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**Connie Adams** - October 16, 2023 at 09:57 PM

MP

“ Kirk was a dear, longtime friend and colleague ... deeply respected for his intelligence, sense of humor, passion for whatever he set his mind. My deepest condolences to his family and those who had the privilege to know him. Michael

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**Michael Poliakoff** - October 16, 2023 at 08:03 PM