

Lyrics to Hymns:

I Stand All Amazed

1. I stand all amazed at the love Jesus offers me,
Confused at the grace that so fully he proffers me.
I tremble to know that for me he was crucified,
That for me, a sinner, he suffered, he bled and died.
*Oh, it is wonderful that he should care for me
Enough to die for me!
Oh, it is wonderful, wonderful to me!*

2. I marvel that he would descend from his throne divine
To rescue a soul so rebellious and proud as mine,
That he should extend his great love unto such as I,
Sufficient to own, to redeem, and to justify.
*Oh, it is wonderful that he should care for me
Enough to die for me!
Oh, it is wonderful, wonderful to me!*

3. I think of his hands pierced and bleeding to pay the debt!
Such mercy, such love and devotion can I forget?
No, no, I will praise and adore at the mercy seat,
Until at the glorified throne I kneel at his feet.
*Oh, it is wonderful that he should care for me
Enough to die for me!
Oh, it is wonderful, wonderful to me!*

Families Can Be Together Forever

1. I have a fam'ly here on earth.
They are so good to me.
I want to share my life with them through all eternity.
*Fam'lies can be together forever
Through Heav'nly Father's plan.
I always want to be with my own family,
And the Lord has shown me how I can.
The Lord has shown me how I can.*

2. While I am in my early years,
I'll prepare most carefully,
So I can marry in God's temple for eternity.
*Fam'lies can be together forever
Through Heav'nly Father's plan.
I always want to be with my own family,
And the Lord has shown me how I can.
The Lord has shown me how I can.*

Funeral Service

**Saturday, September 5, 2026, at 10:00 AM
McPherson, Kansas**

Conducting Service: Adam Starr
Conducting Music: Alena Compton
Pianist: Andy Methvin

Opening Hymn: I Stand All Amazed

Opening Prayer: Jonathan Starr

Obituary & Memories: Melody DeLeon

Musical Performance: *The Parting Glass* performed by
members of the Starr and Kahle Family

Memories: Stephen Owens

Musical Performance: *Far Longer Than Forever*
performed by members of The Starr Family

Closing Remarks: Adam Starr

Closing Hymn: Families Can Be Together Forever

Closing Prayer: Amman Starr

Casket Bearers

**Samuel Kahle ~ Courtland Starr ~ Bryant Starr
John Groves ~ Nick Ivy ~ Jeremy Starr
Jared Starr ~ David Kahle ~ Logan Kahle (Honorary)**

Graveside Service

McPherson Cemetery

Dedicatory Prayer at Cemetery: Jacob Starr

Memorial Donations

**Memorials are suggested to help with expenses and can
be given through the Venmo link @RussKahle or
checks payable to Angela Kahle in care of Stockham
Family Funeral Home, 205 North Chestnut,
McPherson, KS 67460.**

Appreciation

**Russ' family wishes to express sincere appreciation for
your prayers and kindness, evidenced in thought and
deed, and for your presence at this service.**

Stockham Family Funeral Home



In Loving Memory Russell F. Kahle

August 4, 1985 - August 31, 2026



Russell Frederick Kahle

Russell Frederick Kahle, 41, peacefully passed away on Monday, August 31, 2026, at his home in McPherson, Kansas, surrounded by his loving family.

Russell was born on August 4, 1985, in San Diego, California, the son of Frederick Charles and ErLinda (Gullas) Kahle. He graduated from Wichita East High School in 2003. On August 6, 2005, he was sealed for time and all eternity in marriage to Angela Jeanette Starr in the St. Louis, Missouri Temple. Together, Russell and Angela built a beautiful life in McPherson, where they raised their family and shared a deep love of music, education, faith, and one another.

Music was an important part of Russell's life from an early age. He began playing the upright bass in the fourth grade, discovering a passion that would remain with him throughout his life. He continued to develop his musical talents at Emporia State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Music Education degree in 2007. It was also at Emporia State that Russell met Angela, when they played together in the Chamber Orchestra. Their shared love of music became one of the many threads that connected their lives.

Following graduation, Russell and Angela moved to McPherson in 2008, where Russell began his career as an orchestra teacher with McPherson USD 418. He loved teaching and sharing his passion for music with his students. Russell later expanded his professional pursuits into the field of technology, earning a Master's degree in Instructional Technology from Fort Hays State University in 2011. From 2016 to 2019, he served as Director of Education Technology and Information Systems for McPherson USD 418. He subsequently became Technology Alignment Manager for Reach Solutions, Inc., where he continued working with USD 418 as well as other school districts.

Although his professional path evolved, Russell never left music behind. He played with the Salina Symphony, taught private music lessons, and guest performed with several musical groups. He also helped direct productions at McPherson Community Theatre. More recently, Russell and Angela had the opportunity to work together in another special way, as Angela took over the Orchestra Director position with USD 418. They made a remarkable team, complementing one another's strengths and supporting each other every step of the way. Where one fell short, the other was there to fill the gap.

Above all, Russell was a devoted husband and a wonderful father. His family was at the center of his world, and he took great pride in supporting each of them in whatever they pursued, whether music or any other interest. He cherished the time they spent together, especially family game nights and the simple moments that brought everyone together.

Russell had a natural ability to figure things out. Whether something needed to be repaired, built, or simply understood, he enjoyed the challenge of finding a solution. He was intelligent, capable, and willing to tackle nearly anything he set his mind to. He was also exceptionally service-minded and never hesitated to lend a helping hand. His kindness, congenial nature, and willingness to help others were qualities that endeared him to many.

Russell had several hobbies he enjoyed sharing with family and friends. He was a talented "pit master" who took great enjoyment in preparing meats on the smoker and sharing the results with those he loved. Russell felt joy in sharing his love of comics, such as those from the Marvel Universe with his loved ones. In so many ways, he demonstrated the best qualities of those same characters, and thus he will forever be his family's favorite superhero.

As a devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Days Saints, Russell had a deep love and faith for the gospel. He was baptized into the church in 2004, and since then has served in many callings. His faith remained an important part of his life and the foundation of his family.

Russell will be remembered for his remarkable mind, his musical talent, his willingness to serve, and, most of all, his generous heart. He was a kind and genuine man who found great joy in his family and in bringing people together. His legacy will live on not only through the music he shared and the students he influenced, but also through the lives of his children, the love he gave his wife, and the countless people he helped along the way.

He is lovingly survived by his wife, Angela; their children, Lillian, Samuel, Anna, Elizabeth, David, and Logan; his parents, Fred and ErLinda Kahle of Wichita, Kansas; siblings, Melody (Freddie) DeLeon of Wichita, Kansas, and Lucena (Troy) Clark of South Africa; parents-in-law, James and Bonnie Starr of Emporia, Kansas; brothers- and sisters-in-law, Adam (Chanda) Starr of Emporia, Kansas, Jacob (Tonya) Starr of Emporia, Kansas, Amman (Liz) Starr of Fort Collins, Colorado, Jeremy Starr of Sandy, Utah, Jonathan (Erica) Starr of South Jordan, Utah, Alena (Mike) Compton of Overland Park, Kansas, and Jared (Walter) Starr of Herriman, Utah; along with many nieces, nephews, extended relatives, friends, colleagues, students, and members of the communities he so willingly served.

Russell's life was far too short, but it was filled with music, faith, service, laughter, and—most importantly—love. The greatest measure of his life can be found in the family he cherished and the many lives he touched. He will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing him.