

HISTORY OF THE MEMORIAL

Key West, with a population of about 25,000 residents, has been especially hard-hit by the AIDS plague. Well over a thousand have died.

The Key West AIDS Memorial is a tribute to the people who have died of AIDS, and have shown a love of the Florida Keys by living, working or visiting here. The names are inscribed in Zimbabwe granite, embedded in the walkway approaching White Street Pier.

The AIDS Memorial is owned and maintained by the City of Key West as a City park. It was dedicated on World AIDS Day, December 1, 1997. It was built with private funds, and then donated to the City of Key West. Initially, 730 names were inscribed in random order. In 1998, 112 names were added, in 1999 some 96, in 2000, 30 were dedicated, in 2001, 25, in 2002, 21, in 2003 some 61, in 2004, 24, in 2005, 15 and in 2006, 14 for a total of 1,128 names dedicated. The Memorial has exceeded its original designed capacity; we now engrave in the margins.

The Friends of the AIDS Memorial, Inc. is a nonprofit, all-volunteer group of private citizens, whose mission is to preserve, protect and enhance the Key West AIDS Memorial to ensure dignity and respect for those whose names are engraved there. To become a Friend, support the Memorial financially, or nominate a new name, contact any Board member listed below. The organization is recognized as a 501(c)(3) charity by the Internal Revenue Service.

You are encouraged to visit the Memorial. It is designed as a quiet, peaceful resting area overlooking the splendor of the Atlantic Ocean.

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Key West AIDS Memorial

WORLD AIDS DAY

ALBERT JOHN
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"SUMMER RAYNE"
GOODYEAR

program design donated by Jeffrey Harwell



DEDICATION OF NAMES

KARSTEN JAKOB

STEVE R. LAUNIERE

DOUG LINDSAY

BRENT L. MARBAIS

JAMES
"DESTINY" MILLER

RANDY MILTON

TOM PARK

LARRY "KE" PHILLIPS

CHARLES POWELL

STEVEN SNOW

ROBERT J.
"ROBBIE" WHITNEY

Following the Ceremony at 7
Lighting the TREE OF HOPE
An AIDS Help, Inc. Tradition
at La-Te-Da

Candlelight March

Meeting 5pm at Glynn Archer School

Reading of the Names

Musical Selection

Ms. Jacquelyn E. Williams

Invocation

Reverend Joseph McMurray

Metropolitan Community Church

Welcome and Announcements

Jon Allen, President

Friends of the Key West AIDS Memorial

Proclamation

Respect & Protect

World AIDS Day Theme

Tom Liberti

Chief, Bureau of HIV/AIDS,

Florida Department of Health

Reading of the New Names

Meditation Period

Silence, broken by call-out of Names
Please speak loudly, we have no microphones

Musical Selection

Ms. Diana Dodson

Benediction

Reverend Danny McKenzie

Saint James Church

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