



## **United States Navy Electronics Technician Kevin Sayer Bushell Died aboard the USS John S. McCain - August 21, 2017**

Kevin Bushell was born and raised in Gaithersburg, Maryland. He graduated from Gaithersburg High School in 2009. After high school he attended Montgomery College but decided in 2011 after one year to join the U.S. Navy to travel and see the world. After completing boot camp, Bushell completed advanced electronics training at the Norfolk Naval Station, Virginia. He then set off to his first duty station, Naval Communications (NCTAMS) in Rota, Spain. After marrying his wife Jennifer in 2015, together they moved to Yokosuka, Japan, where Bushell was assigned onboard the USS John S. McCain where he served as an Electronics Technician (ET1). He deployed with the crew to Australia, Vietnam, Guam, South Korea, and the Philippines.

Bushell's life was tragically cut short on August 21, 2017 when his ship was hit by the Alnic, an oil tanker in the Singapore Strait. Bushell and nine of his fellow sailors were killed.

Bushell had an enormous love for animals and lived each day to the fullest. His loving, easy going, and kind nature led to a life surrounded by many friends and loved ones across the world. In memory, the [Kevin Bushell Foundation](#), a non-profit, has been created by his family. The Foundation awards scholarships to Gaithersburg High School students in Bushell's name.