

Kellie is the youngest of Rodney's four children. She was a mere ten years old when her father was arrested. Today she is a 41-year-old mother to four grown children and the proud grandmother of three.

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To the state of Missouri he is known as 48563, just a number. To his friends and supporters, he is an innocent man who, due to a wrongful conviction, has been robbed of over thirty years of his life. To his family he is the missing link to their broken family chain. To me he is my father, the man that was forced to watch me grow up through pictures. The man who was robbed of his God given right to be there as my father throughout my life. For every failure, for every success, for each and every event in my life since I was ten years old, he has been denied the right to be there. He was not there to teach me to drive. He was not there to scare my boyfriends. He was not there to discipline me when I needed it. He was not there when I gave birth to his grandchildren. He was not there to walk me down the aisle when I was married. Each and every event of my life he had to learn about through pictures, letters and phone calls. And why was I robbed of my father? Why were my kids robbed of their grandfather? All due to a wrongful conviction. This man has 4 children, 18 grandchildren, most of whom he has never met, and 12 great grandchildren that he has never been allowed to hold in his arms or bounce on his knee. WHY??????? I pray this nightmare we have been living for the past 30+ years ends soon. I pray each day that we will soon be able to write his name on his own mailbox to hang on his own house. I pray this happens before we have to carve his name on a stone to put above his grave. When will this injustice be rectified? When will 48563 be able to resume his life as Rodney Lincoln? When will I get my Daddy back?

Kellie Lincoln