



Thomas Kingston: Royals mourn Prince Michael of Kent's son-in-law

Description

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Buckingham Palace has announced the death of Thomas Kingston, husband of Lady Gabriella Kingston and son-in-law of Prince and Princess Michael of Kent, who was 45 years old.

On Sunday evening, Thomas was found dead at a property in Gloucestershire. Emergency services attended but there were no suspicious circumstances, nor anyone else involved in the incident.

Following the sad news, King Charles and Queen Camilla sent their "deepest thoughts and prayers" to Kingston's family.

A statement released by Buckingham Palace on behalf of Lady Gabriella and his family remembered Kingston as a shining figure in their lives: "Tom was an extraordinary man who brought joy to everyone who knew him," it read. His passing has left a deep impact on the family.

Lady Gabriella is the daughter of Prince and Princess Michael of Kent, making her royalty. Her father, Prince Michael, is a grandson of King George V and a first cousin of the late Queen Elizabeth II.

King Charles and Queen Camilla, together with Prince and Princess Michael of Kent, are mourning a beloved member of the family, said a Buckingham Palace spokesperson.

Before his marriage, Thomas Kingston worked in Iraq's capital, Baghdad, with the Foreign Office's Diplomatic Missions Unit. He played a crucial role in freeing hostages. His wife Lady Gabriella is a gifted writer, singer-songwriter, and also works as a director in arts and travel.

Although Lady Gabriella is not a working member of the Royal Family, they are providing her and the rest of Kingston's family support during this challenging period. Just days ago, her parents were in attendance at the memorial service for the former King Constantine of Greece at St George's Chapel.

The local police were alerted to Thomas Kingston's death by the ambulance service attending a residence in the Cotswolds at about 6:25 pm on Sunday. The police have confirmed that there were no suspicious circumstances surrounding his death. Soon, a file will be sent to the coroner for further examination.

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Vocabulary List:

1. **Royalty** // (noun): The status, authority, or power of a king or queen; members of a royal family.
2. **Incident** // (noun): An event or occurrence, especially a minor one.
3. **Mourning** // (noun): The expression of deep sorrow for someone who has died.
4. **Memorial** // (noun): A structure or service established to remind people of a person or event.
5. **Circumstances** // (noun): Conditions or facts that surround a situation or event.
6. **Crucial** // (adjective): Decisive or critical, especially in the success or failure of something.

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. Which term refers to a person who is inspiring or influential in a particular field?

- Option: Esteemed
- Option: Luminary
- Option: Royalty
- Option: Ambitious

2. Which term is used to describe a highly contagious virus that causes gastroenteritis?

- Option: Symptoms
- Option: Norovirus
- Option: Outbreaks
- Option: Immune

3. Which term best describes a person who has a strong desire to succeed and achieve their goals?



- Option: Endeavours
- Option: Enthused
- Option: Ambitious
- Option: Crucial

4. Which term refers to inflammation of the stomach and intestines often caused by a viral or bacterial infection?

- Option: Norovirus
- Option: Contagious
- Option: Gastroenteritis
- Option: Outbreaks

5. Which term can mean a set of clothes worn together for a particular occasion?

- Option: Daring
- Option: Revealing
- Option: Online
- Option: Outfit

6. Which term refers to a group of people of royal blood or status?

- Option: Immune
- Option: Royalty
- Option: Incident
- Option: Mourning

7. Which term describes feelings of doubt fear or anxiety about oneself?

- Option: Self-deprecating
- Option: Acclaimed
- Option: Insecurities
- Option: Chemistry

8. Which term refers to the emotional or psychological interaction between people?

- Option: Hypochondriac
- Option: Attention
- Option: Prominent
- Option: Chemistry

9. Which term means the act of focusing on someone or something?

- Option: Crucial
- Option: Splash
- Option: Attention
- Option: Prominent

10. Which term describes something that is important well-known or easily noticed?



- Option: Online
- Option: Prominent
- Option: Self-deprecating
- Option: Acclaimed

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. The author was held in _____ regard by literary critics worldwide.
12. The students were _____ about the upcoming science fair.
13. The movie won several awards and was widely _____ by audiences.
14. The nation was in a state of _____ following the passing of their beloved leader.
15. It is _____ to follow the safety guidelines to prevent accidents.
16. The fashion designer made a _____ with their new collection at the show.
17. You can find a variety of resources for learning languages _____ .
18. Her _____ humor always made people laugh at social gatherings.
19. The movie had some _____ scenes that surprised the audience.
20. She worried constantly about her health leading her friends to jokingly call her a _____ .

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. The couple exchanged vows and rings during their wedding ceremony.
22. Regular exercise and a healthy diet can help boost your body's defenses against illnesses.
23. The traffic jam was caused by a car accident on the highway.
24. The professor was highly respected and admired for his groundbreaking research in the field of physics.
25. The young mountaineer attempted a daring climb up the steep cliffs.



26. The royal family attended the charity event to show their support for the cause.
27. The community gathered at the park to commemorate the veterans who served in the war.
28. She set ambitious goals for her career and worked tirelessly to achieve them.
29. The flu virus is highly contagious and can easily spread from person to person.
30. The health officials investigated the sudden increase in flu cases to prevent further spread in the community.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Luminary 2. Norovirus 3. Ambitious 4. Gastroenteritis 5. Outfit 6. Royalty 7. Insecurities 8. Chemistry 9. Attention 10. Prominent

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