



**Name:** Keith Tyler

**World Games Sport:** Soccer

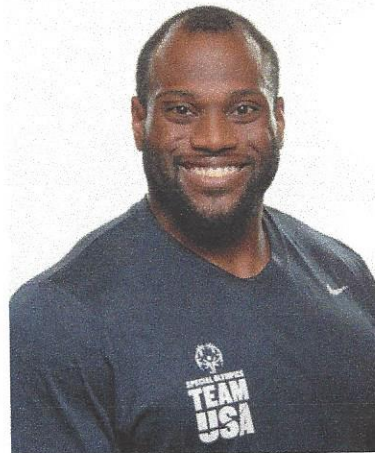
**Age:** 29

**Hometown:** Chicago

**Role at World Games:** Athlete

**Local Agency:** Kosciuszko Park, Chicago

**Years Involved in Special Olympics:** 21



**Other Sports Involved In:** Powerlifting, basketball, bocce, volleyball, floor hockey, athletics, tennis, snowshoeing, bowling

**Background:** Keith attended Jacqueline Vaughn Occupational High School and Harold Washington College. He works at Cub Foods.

**Accomplishments:** He was Class of 2005 valedictorian and prom king at Vaughn Occupational High School. He completed Harold Washington and Wilber Wright College certificates. He bench-pressed 365 pounds and dead-lifted 420 pounds in UIC College powerlifting in 2014.

**Summary of Impact Special Olympics has had on athlete and/or family:** Says Keith: "I'm always proud of myself as a competitor because I have learned it's not about winning or losing, it's about giving everything you've got to be the best of your abilities. I've been a proud Special Olympics athlete for 21 years. I used to have fears, and now I don't."