

## Meet Our Members - Kim T Pepe - Cordero

Kim T. Pepe-Cordero has been a First Coast Miata Club Member since August 2002 and is the proud owner of a super clean 1999 10th Anniversary Edition Sapphire Blue Miata named “Azul” (Blue in Spanish). Kim bought “Azul” in January of 2006 and after Kim and José carefully inspected it, they started on an upgrade path similar to the ones that José performed on his Miata first. The first priority was a good brake system. To help stop faster: Hawk HPS pads gripping the StopTech SportStop Drilled Rotors with stainless steel lines. Next, upgrades to the factory instrumentation to monitor proper engine operation, a RoadsterSport exhaust for a better breathing engine. To help go faster.....Forced Induction courtesy of a BRP-62 Supercharger.

Kim is now retired after realizing that it was more beneficial from a tax point of view. She is a CNA and multitalented in office and medical management. Being retired makes it easier for her to enjoy some of her favorite things (aside from husband José and Azul the Miata) like spending time with her grandchildren and playing and watching her favorite sports, Football and Volleyball.

Kim has some competitive spirit and has taken her car to the drag strip in Buds Creek, Maryland and in Green Cove Springs during a Miata Club Drag Strip event. She is proud of the fact that she was able to best her husband on the track that night in spite of the fact that José’s car was compromised by a mechanical failure. “Azul” is quite a step up from Kim’s first car, which was a Chevy Cavalier, which wasn’t even supercharged like her current ride. In addition to Kim and José being long term FCMC members, Kim has been in charge, until recently, of the Club’s Website. Long May You Zoom Kimmy!

