Keith Bright grew up on a farm and ranch near Muskogee, Oklahoma. He studied engineering and computer science at Oklahoma State University. He was hired by IBM in 1977 between his Junior and Senior year to repair IBM's largest mainframe computers. Keith's early career at IBM included assignments in Tulsa, Bartlesville, Washington DC, New York and Winchester, England. At night while still working at IBM he also earned a Bachelors Degree in Management of Human Resources from Oklahoma Wesleyan University.

After moving to Austin area in 2000, Keith became the Program Director, Linux Technology Center, IBM Corp. Keith was instrumental in establishing additional Linux and Open Source Competency Centers in various regions of the world including, Brazil, Russia, Germany, Thailand and India. In the last 13 years at IBM he led worldwide teams of engineers and consultants that specialized in custom hardware and software contracts. The contracts were primarily for military branches of the USA and USA allies, international corporations and governments. Keith was in charge of profit and loss of all these departments including personnel.

Keith retired in 2013 from IBM after 36 years. Keith is currently the owner of Bright Fire Products and Services. His company repairs and rebuilds specialized manufacturing equipment in central Texas that companies have a hard time finding service or parts for. Keith and his wife Paula, married 39 years, moved from Cedar Park in 2014 to 5+ acres North of 3405 between Ronald Reagan and 183. They have two grown children and one grandchild.