



Kenneth W. Anderson

December 12, 1942 - December 1, 2025

Kenneth W. Anderson, age 82, of Kankakee passed away Monday, December 1, 2025 at the Illinois Veterans Home at Manteno. He was born December 12, 1942 in Watseka, the son of Aaron Bernard & Wilma (Lindgren) Anderson and raised on the family farm in Donovan. Kenneth married Mary Lou Johnson on May 24, 1969 in Kankakee.

Ken was an accountant in Kankakee with his firm Anderson & VanHam Tax and Accounting. He was a lifelong Chicago Cubs fan. Ken enjoyed golfing, camping, fishing, and winters spent in Florida. Most of all, Ken loved spending time with his family and friends.

He was a proud veteran of the United States Army.

Ken was an active member of St. Mark's United Methodist Church.

Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Mary Lou Anderson of Kankakee; one son and daughter-in-law, Jeff & Jenni Anderson of Rosemount, MN; one daughter and son-in-law, Ashley Anderson & Jim Clendenin of Darien; grandchildren, Caroline Clendenin of Darien and Nolan Sherman of Rosemount, MN; one brother and sister-in-law, James & Aldene Anderson of Donovan; one sister and brother-in-law, Jean & Howard Whaley of Kalamazoo, MI; sisters-in-law, Phyllis Sakovich of Kankakee, Evelyn (Grace) Walker of Bourbonnais, and Geri Johnson of Bourbonnais; many nieces and nephews; and many lifelong friends. Ken is preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, December 5, 2025 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee. Additional visitation will be held

from 10 a.m. until the time of the 11 a.m. funeral service on Saturday, December 6, 2025, also at the funeral home. Enrico Esguerra will officiate the service. Cremation rites will be accorded following the service. Inurnment will be held at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood at a later date. Memorials may be made to the Illinois Veterans Home at Manteno, St. Mark's United Methodist Church, or donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Visitation

DEC 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

DEC 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MB

“ For many years Ken guided me through tax season with professionalism and good humor. I remember him as a good person and always cheerful, which made tax time much more pleasant. -
Max Brigham

Max Brigham - December 11, 2025 at 05:36 PM

JA

“ Ken did my family's taxes. He was knowledgeable, kind and his price was fair. When he retired, I felt like I was losing a trusted friend. My sincere condolences to his family.



JoEllyn Andersen - December 04, 2025 at 11:28 PM

LS

“ Mary Lou, so sorry to read of the death of your Husband Ken, Our prayers will be with you to get thru this trying time.. Thank the Lord for the gift of memory to sustain you for years to come.

Larry Skelly - December 04, 2025 at 07:35 PM

VB

“ My Deepest Sympathy to Mary Lou & Family. I worked at St. Mary's with Mary Lou. I did the catering luncheons for the Sr. Care Plus. So sorry for your loss. 🕊️🙏❤️

Vickie Bertrand - December 04, 2025 at 03:53 PM

DA

“ *Dan And Bev Arseneau lit a candle in memory of Kenneth W. Anderson*



Dan and Bev Arseneau - December 04, 2025 at 09:29 AM

NM

“ *Nancy Meli lit a candle in memory of Kenneth W. Anderson*



Nancy Meli - December 04, 2025 at 08:45 AM

BF

“ *Ben F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth W. Anderson.*

Ben F. - December 03, 2025 at 09:51 PM

BC

“ *Beth and Cameryn purchased the "God Has You" 21" Sonnet Chime for the family of Kenneth W. Anderson.*

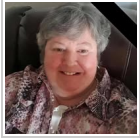


Beth and Cameryn - December 03, 2025 at 02:12 PM

BC

“ Beth and Cameryn planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth W. Anderson.

Beth and Cameryn - December 03, 2025 at 02:12 PM



“ So sorry on the loss of Kenny. He was our tax man for many years & was the best! He will definitely be missed. RIP Kenny.

Sue Stevens Longtin - December 03, 2025 at 12:17 PM

CL

“ Condolences to Ken's wife and family. I graduated with Ken from Donovan. I always found Ken to be nice to everyone.

Carol Lane - December 03, 2025 at 10:11 AM

KS

“ Condolences to the family. He was a good person. Prayers.
Kathy Sullivan

Kathy Sullivan - December 03, 2025 at 09:21 AM

MM

“ Matt, Amy, And Madison lit a candle in memory of Kenneth W. Anderson



Matt, Amy, and Madison - December 03, 2025 at 08:13 AM

SM

“ So sorry to hear about cousin Ken. He was a lovely man

Sheila E Bloomquist, MD - December 03, 2025 at 12:39 AM

CM

“ Mary Lou & family, you have my deepest sympathy in the loss Ken. He always had a good attitude & smile whenever I saw him at the Veteran's Home when I visited Clarence. May he rest in eternal peace.

Cathie (Sederstrand-Bergan) Miedema

Catherine Miedema - December 02, 2025 at 11:49 PM

GB

“ Gale And Leonard Boudreau lit a candle in memory of Kenneth W. Anderson



Gale and Leonard Boudreau - December 02, 2025 at 07:37 PM

JS

“ Janice Shenk lit a candle in memory of Kenneth W. Anderson



Janice Shenk - December 02, 2025 at 04:25 PM

JS

So sorry for your loss Mary Lou. Thoughts and prayers for you and your family.

Janice Shenk - December 02, 2025 at 04:26 PM

TE

“ *Tim And Connie Eaker lit a candle in memory of Kenneth W. Anderson*



Tim and Connie Eaker - December 02, 2025 at 02:49 PM