



Kenneth W. Keen

October 16, 1940 - January 15, 2017

Kenneth W. Keen, age 76, of Grant Park, passed away Sunday January 15, 2017 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee, Illinois. He was born on October 16, 1940 in Grant Park, the son of Richard and Bessie (Perkins) Keen. He married Ingeborg Seferovic on April 11, 1964.

Kenneth was a veteran of the United States Air Force. He retired from Crown Cork and Seal, and had also worked as a press operator in several print shops in the area. He was a member of the Moose Lodge in Bradley, and enjoyed fishing. A gifted musician, Kenneth played the guitar and enjoyed singing, whether it was karaoke, or as a member of one of the bands he belonged to in his younger years. He always looked forward to his annual trip to Branson where he would sing along side Clay Self on stage at Big Cedar Lodge. Above all, he loved his family and spending time with them.

Kenneth is survived by his wife, Ingeborg of Grant Park; one son, Michael Keen of Bourbonnais; one daughter and son in law, Terri and Peter Rees of Manteno; one sister, Opal Webb of Campbellsville, KY; two granddaughters, Taylor Nicole Rees and Ashtyn Presley Rees; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Ruby Hana and Margaret Graves; and two brothers, Gilbert and Richard Keen.

Visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Manteno. Funeral service will be at 10:30 am on Thursday, also at the funeral home. Interment will be in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to family wishes.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Manteno - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
291 N. Main St.
Manteno, IL 60950
(815) 932-1214
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Funeral Service

JAN 19. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SF

“ Dearest Mrs. Keen, and The Kenneth Keen Family:

We were all so sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Keen. We will all miss him very, very much. I will personally miss his stories of travels and performances in Branson. Godspeed, and God bless you all during this difficult time.

Sincerely,
Dr. & Mrs. Steven D. Williams, MD FACS & Staff
[Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery, Bourbonnais, Illinois]



Steven D. Williams, MD FACS - January 21, 2017 at 12:44 PM

CM

“ Dear, Inge and Family I am so sorry to hear of your Loss of dear Kenny...what a man he was, so kind and a true Gent. Loved hearing him sing and he loved it too so much. You, both, were a great couple and always's together and a fun loving Couple. Matt and I are so very saddened for your Loss...May, he sing a lot of songs in Heaven and be at Rest and with out pain and Happy. Sincerely, Matt and Claire O'Connor(Tavares Florida)

claire and Matt - January 18, 2017 at 12:01 PM

PG

“ One of my earliest memories are of Uncle Kenny playing the guitar and singing. He was always there for his family. Be it Aunt Inky, Terri and Mike, but also for his parents,siblings, nieces and nephews. Like all of the Keen's , FAMILY ranked up there high on the list. He is now in HEAVEN with the family that went before him. Playing the guitar and singing. Will greatly miss him.

Paula Goodwin - January 17, 2017 at 07:19 PM

SP

“ Sending love and prayers to all of you and may God lead you thru these hard times during the loss of Uncle Kenny. He was a wonderful uncle and I always enjoyed the times he'd get his guitar out and sing Johnny Cash songs - have to say he was "Cash's" twin when it came to sounding just like Johnny! There's a hymn called "Precious Memories"...."how they linger"....and I am sure as you reflect there are millions of wonderful memories you all will remember. What would we do without memories and pictures? I am sorry we are not able to attend Uncle Kenny's visitation and funeral but weather is not permitting a trip back home. Please know we are there in spirit, love and prayers. May God be with all of you - keep your faith and GOD WILL see you through this. Love Always, Bob, Sheila, Heather and the kids (Pommiers)

Sheila Pommier - January 17, 2017 at 06:12 PM

MT

“ Hugs and prayers are with you and family, Ingeborg. How sad I was to read this. May God fill you with his peace and comfort.



Mary Thomson - January 17, 2017 at 01:09 PM

JW

“ It has been many years since I last saw Kenny but I never forgot him or his family. Working at JAAP and with him in our little print shop in Grant Park was a great experience. Rest in Peace.

John Wooters - January 17, 2017 at 01:05 PM

KP

“ Kenny was a great guy. Great Johnny Cash singer- good enough to win this bike at our B-Dubs karaoke contest! RIP buddy!



Kevin Pyle - January 17, 2017 at 11:42 AM

 Danny Miller

“ I met Kenny years ago when i did karaoke...one of the best Johnny Cash ive ever heard. Rest in Peace my friend. -Dan Miller

Danny Miller - January 17, 2017 at 10:48 AM

CC

“ We're so very, very sorry to hear that our Uncle has passed away. We loved listening to him when he was singing when we had first got married. He was a wonderful person & Uncle ! Wish we would have lived closer ! You all have our greatest sympathies , send you all our love. Please be a little at ease knowing that he is celebrating his new life, rejoicing with his family and doing all of his favorite things. He is also watching over you all, making sure that you are alright. Love you all. I guess I've said enough, but could say more. God bless !! Cindy & Vern Chase

Cindy & Vern Chase - January 16, 2017 at 06:34 PM

MK

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Mike Keen - January 16, 2017 at 04:55 PM

SG

“ *You, my dear, were a wonderful son, brother, uncle, husband, father, grandfather and friend. I will miss you and love you forever. Til we meet on the other side, fish and sing to your heart's desire. Tell everyone hello for me. You're with a LOT of great people up there. I love you Uncle Kenny.*

Shelly Graves-Couwenhoven - January 16, 2017 at 04:46 PM