



G. Kent Armiger

July 24, 1946 - August 31, 2016

G. Kent Armiger of Chestertown, MD, passed away on Wednesday, August 31, 2016, at Compass Regional Hospice in Centreville. He was 70.

Born on July 24, 1946, in Silver Spring, MD, he was the son of the late Richard Donald and Bernice Nordby Armiger. Kent graduated from Bethesda Chevy Chase High School, Class of 1965, and attended The University of Maryland College Park. Summers were spent on the family farm near Chestertown with his family and his cousin, Andy, and as a boy Kent enjoyed fox hunting with Wilbur Hubbard and Brownie. He also had vivid memories of living in Jordan when his father worked for the state department in the Middle East.

Kent spent a stint boxing in DC, training at the same gym as Bobbie Foster.

Later, Kent left for Alaska and worked on the North Slope, with the first crews analyzing seismographic readings for the Alaska Pipeline Project. Later, he moved to Colorado and attended sound engineering school.

Kent worked as a freelance sound engineer and road manager for bluegrass and rock bands. It was during this time, while managing the bluegrass band, Everybody and His Brother, that he met and later married Kate Bennett. They also performed and toured with Sleepin' Under the Stars in Colorado, and

upon moving back to his family's farm in Chestertown, they established the band Cowboy Jazz. Cowboy Jazz recorded two albums on Rounder Records and toured the country for ten years.

Kent and Kate became active with ACT Community Theatre in Chestertown, where he enjoyed performing and acting, as well as doing sound. Generous, kind, and bigger than life, Kent was the host of many legendary parties on the farm. He also enjoyed gardening, playing banjo, attending concerts, baseball, and hunting and fishing on Blue Heron farm. Kent loved animals, especially his horses, his dogs Actress, Bowsuh, Banjo, Bullet, Freckles, Cody, Cooper, Daisy, Cheyenne, Cindy, Gretel, Gromit, and Woody, as well as his bird Lucy, many cats, and a family of racoons he rescued and raised.

In addition to his wife, Kate Bennett, he is survived by a daughter, Erika Una Armiger of Chestertown; a nephew, Benjamin Armiger of Chestertown; two great nephews, River and Olin Armiger; three nieces, Jessie Moynihan of MA, Christine Roberts of Washington DC, and Julie Popescu of NYC; a sister, Susan Popescu of Bethesda, MD; and his cousin, Andy Thibadeau of Silver Spring. He was predeceased by a brother, Richard Donald Armiger Jr., and a daughter, Michelle Armiger.

Services will be held privately.

Contributions may be made to Compass Regional Hospice, 255 Comet Drive, Centreville, MD 21617.

Cemetery Details

Private

Tribute Wall



“ *G. Kent Armiger*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *G. Kent Armiger*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *G. Kent Armiger*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *I rode to OC on the back of a Honda 150 Dream with Kent. We went to BCC and he had a Barracuda He was a live wire and I miss him. I did not know he had departed until recently. The ride from the farmhouse to the grainery was a trip.*

Bill Harvey - May 24, 2021 at 04:55 PM



“ *Kate,*

Please accept my condolences on the loss of your husband.

*Leah McKenzie
(Attends Presbyterian Church)*

Leah McKenzie - September 13, 2016 at 09:41 AM

KI

“ Erika, I am so sorry for the loss of your dad!
Thoughts and prayers are with you!! Kim
Crew



Kim - September 07, 2016 at 08:11 AM

LA

“ Lisa Adkins lit a candle in memory of G. Kent
Armiger



Lisa Adkins - September 06, 2016 at 03:53 PM

JW

“ Juanita Wieczoreck lit a candle in memory of
G. Kent Armiger



Juanita Wieczoreck - September 06, 2016 at 08:19 AM

KM

“ Katie Marge lit a candle in memory of G. Kent
Armiger



Katie Marge - September 05, 2016 at 01:43 PM



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Michael Collins - September 04, 2016 at 05:20 PM

PJ

“ Pres And Sherrie Jacobs lit a candle in memory of G. Kent Armiger



Pres and Sherrie jacobs - September 03, 2016 at 05:40 PM

LL

“ Kate, I am so sorry for your loss. I know through Bill what a good man he was. May he now be at peace.

Lisa Crooks Lewis
Springfield, PA

Lisa Lewis - September 03, 2016 at 09:43 AM

SQ

“ Sara & David Quinn lit a candle in memory of G. Kent Armiger



Sara & David Quinn - September 03, 2016 at 09:25 AM

CJ

“ Kate-
*I'm sorry for your loss. I miss seeing you - and I miss seeing Kent.
My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Cora Jean Jones

Cora Jean Jones - September 02, 2016 at 01:14 PM

CD

“ *Dearest Kate and family, You are in our
deepest thoughts and prayers. So sorry for
your loss. Love, The Douthit family.*



Carrie A Douthit - September 02, 2016 at 08:07 AM

CM

“ *Riki and Miss Kate...my thoughts and heart are with you both. Mr.
Kent is in some good company right now, free of pain. He was so
fortunate to have you both and you, him. Hugs xo*

Cathy Miles - September 01, 2016 at 07:25 PM