



Kenneth Harold Vaneman

January 31, 1939 - October 22, 2017

Kenneth H. Vaneman of Queenstown, MD, passed away on October 22, 2017, at Compass Regional Hospice in Centreville, MD. He was 78.

Kenneth graduated from Paulsboro High School, Class of '57. He started a candle making business on \$20, and in 10 years, had grown "The Candleman Company" to a half million on the basis of hard work. Kenneth made candles for 10 years, and performed odd jobs around the towns in which he lived. He was married to Gail Whitehead for 40 years. She predeceased him on May 7, 2011. Kenneth married to Jennifer Mitchell on April 24, 2016.

He is a member of both Calvary United Methodist Church in Queenstown and Ridgley United Methodist. He loved to work, make candles, play piano and organ, and support the food bank at Ridgley UMC.

In addition to his wife, Jennifer, Kenneth is survived by two sons Warren Vaneman and Mark Vaneman both of Virginia; two sisters, Ruth Doughten and Mary Lou Carbona; as well as his nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held on at Ridgely United Methodist Church on November 4, 2017, at 1 pm.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Food Bank, C/O Ridgely

UMC, PO Box 424, Ridgely, MD 21660.

Previous Events

Service

NOV 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

Ridgely United Methodist Church, Ridgely, MD
107 N. Central Ave.
Ridgely, MD 21660

Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth Harold Vaneman*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Kenneth Harold Vaneman*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Kenneth Harold Vaneman*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Forever in my heart.*

Jenni - August 24, 2018 at 06:58 PM



“ *I have been Ken's neighbor and friend for over 40 years. Neighbors don't always become your friend but Ken was a very special man. He always toke time to stand on the corner waiting for the bus with my youngest daughter (this was 20 years ago) but more recent bringing my grand children candy and cupcakes and always brought me my mums in the fall and pointsettas during the holiday. Ken and I spent hours talking. I am not going to be able to look at his house (two doors up from me) and not miss him and also his very sweet and dear wife Gail. I will always love and miss both of you.*

Linda Scarce - November 04, 2017 at 09:41 AM

LP

“ *Lynda Palmatary lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Harold Vaneman*



Lynda Palmatary - October 27, 2017 at 08:06 AM

LP

Knew Ken when he worked for Queen Anne's County. He was a very dedicated person and loved people. Would see him from time to time and always had a great chat. My prayers and blessings are with his family and church family at this time. God Bless. Lynda Palmatary, Centreville.

Lynda Palmatary - October 27, 2017 at 08:08 AM

CD

“ *I remember working with Ken at the Department of Aging. He always had a nice smile and a good morning Charlotte. I must say he was a complete gentleman at all times. Rest in peace Ken.*

Charlotte Walls Dukes - October 26, 2017 at 08:16 PM

RP

“ *The members of Calvary United Methodist Church in Queenstown mourn the passing of Ken, a friend who brought music to our lives and who engaged us in outreach to the disadvantaged among us. Our prayers for his eternal peace and for the family's comfort.*

Rev. Karen Dize, Pastor - October 26, 2017 at 10:28 AM

DT

“ we were blessed to have Mr. Kenny in our lives, no matter when or where we saw him he would always ask about our family and how was everybody doing. when he was making candles we used to tell him he was the best smelling guy in Queenstown, that would bring a smile to his face. and yes they were good candles too. he was a man of deep faith and if there is candle making in heaven then he is making them for God now.

Diana Patchett Tarrant - October 25, 2017 at 12:58 PM