



## Kurt Richard Kalb

March 23, 1945 - March 7, 2017

Kurt was born in Wilmington, DE, and moved in 1946 to the family farm in Landenberg, PA, where he grew up. He also lived in Newark, DE; Hamilton Square, NJ; Yardley, PA; Trenton, NJ; & Crumpton, MD.

He first attended a one room school house “North Bank School” until the Kemblesville Elementary School was built. He was also an alumnus of Tower Hill and Avon Grove where he graduated in 1964.

He then went on to further his education and was an alumnus of University of Delaware, where his studies were suspended for service during the Vietnam War. After being discharged, he resumed his studies at Lincoln University, Rider College where he obtained a degree in biology before attending Temple University working on his master's in anthropology.

He went to work for the State of New Jersey, where he joined DOT as an archeologist and worked his way to being a “Principal Environmental Specialist (Archeology)” before moving to Land Use & DEP where he retired as “Supervising Environmental Specialist” in August 2008.

After retiring, he devoted his time to creating Borderland Vineyard with his sister, Karen, on the family farm and continued with this project until his death.

Surviving him are his 95-year-old mother, Janet Comly Kalb; brother, John Robert of Saint Augustine, FL; cousins, Linda Penrose Chamblee of Raleigh, NC, and Philip Jay Penrose of Wilmington, DE, with whom his mother lives; three nephews; and his first wife, Arden Roberts Peskin. He was predeceased by his father, George H.; his sister, Karen Anderson; and his second wife, Debbie Rinker Fimbel.

There will be a celebration of life held for Kurt and his sister, Karen, on June 10 at 2:00pm at Borderland Vineyard located on the family farm at 332 Indiantown Road, Landenberg, PA 19350-1010.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to Natural Lands Trust, 1031 Palmers Mill Road, Media, PA 19063-1098.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Kurt Richard Kalb*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Kurt Richard Kalb*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Kurt Richard Kalb*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Deb and Kurt were great friends and it is so sad that they both left this world way too soon. I think often and with great fondness of the many, many evenings spent together in Trenton, before their second house and my kids made it more challenging to find time to spend together.*



**Liza Davis** - March 22, 2017 at 09:43 AM



“ *I will forever miss my Aunt Deb, and now my Uncle Kurt. You always brought a beacon of light to the path I had yet to take. Shine on you crazy Diamond.*

**Steven J Rinker** - March 22, 2017 at 12:21 AM

SJ

“ Kurt was in our 1964 Avon Grove High School class. He was such a great person and he had such passion for his vineyard. My heart goes out to his family. Some of our class members went to the vineyard at the time of our 50th class reunion. Since then it is hard to believe that both he and Karen have passed. I so enjoyed talking with his mother that day, too. She shared such a lovely and exciting history of her family and the farm. My deepest sympathies to all.

*Shelba Bare Jackson*

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**Shelba Bare Jackson** - March 14, 2017 at 12:11 AM

CS

“ My email archive at home has a treasure trove of Kurt and Deb emails that reflect their earthy, generous, sharing spirit and deep connection with friends, animals, and the land. With Kurt's passing, I will value their words and thoughts even more.

*And I will remember Kurt as a friend and colleague, a caring person, an archaeologist, a friend of animals (even wolves), and a conscientious and skillful steward of the land.*

*Caroline Charlese Scott*

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**Caroline Charlese Scott** - March 13, 2017 at 11:14 AM

GA

*I remember Kurt as a classmate and later as a workmate at Richards Garage in Kemblesville. We both entered the service in the early 1970s. I last bumped into Kurt after we both got out of the service. I was back working at the garage and one day he came in with a brand new Datsun 240Z that he'd brought back stateside after his time in Vietnam was over. Our paths diverged after that and I never saw him again. Tim Richards informed me of his passing. RIP old friend.*

*George Albaugh*

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**George Albaugh** - March 28, 2017 at 09:01 AM

AO

*Kurt was such a gentleman and so kind to all of us who worked with him at NJ DEP. I can only imagine how much you will miss him. I always admired how he treated all his co workers with respect. He was such a good person.*

*Alice Ostrowski*

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**Alice Ostrowski** - June 05, 2017 at 08:39 PM