



## Neal Erik Almen

March 10, 1948 - June 9, 2015

Neal Erik Almen of Chestertown, MD, died on Tuesday, June 9, 2015, at University of Maryland Medical Center in Baltimore. He was 67.

Born and raised in Annapolis, MD, he was the son of the late Nils Erik and Karen Mathea Nelson Almen.

Neal attended and graduated from the Lenox School 1967 in Lenox, MA. Following college, Neal sold real estate for a time. Then Neal opened a store in Easton called The Goose and the Gander. In 1983, he quit the retail business and became partner in Pheasantfield Hunting Preserve. He then traveled to England to attend Holland & Holland to learn their shooting method. Upon his return, he began giving lessons in shooting sporting clays. He and his partners conceived the idea of a hunting club, with a sporting clay range as its centerpiece. With three additional partners the Chesapeake Gun Club opened in the 1990's, where the sporting clays course was designed by Neal.

In 1998, Neal decided to go to culinary school. He graduated from L'Academie de Cuisine in June of 1999. In 2000, he opened Peppercorns restaurant in Chestertown. Following that, Neal became a Distributor for the Baltimore Sun and that business grew from just the Sun paper to many more publications and to a team of 10 carriers. He truly was a renaissance man.

Neal's favorite things were watching the waterfowl on the lake while surrounded by his golden retriever, Chad, his two cats, and his loving wife.

In addition to his wife, Kathryn "Kay" Pinder-Almen, he is survived by his son, Dane Almen of Wilmington, DE; two step-sons, Sean Kille of Salisbury, MD and Chuck Kille of Centreville, MD; two sisters, Lynette Almen Engleke of Annapolis, MD, and Mona Almen Lankford of Baltimore, MD; and three grandsons.

A celebration of life will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the Humane Society of Kent County, Inc., P.O. Box 352 – Chestertown, MD 21620 or a charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Tribute Wall



“ *Neal Erik Almen*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Neal Erik Almen*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM

PS

“ June 17, 2015

*Dear Family of Neil Almen,*

*I was saddened to hear the passing of Neil. The last time I saw Neil was on June 4, 1967. That was his graduation from Lenox School. During that time I have been back to two reunions. It is amazing to listen to how each Lenox School graduate attacked life. For me Lenox gave an average student an opportunity to maybe make it in this world. Lenox taught us to work hard. It wasn't always easy but somehow the sixty-seven of the class of 1967 made it. In reading about Neil's life he was a remarkable individual, talented and loving. He seemed to be a man of many hats. He adjusted to the challenges set forth in his life. He had a love of nature. When I read about him watching the waterfowl being accompanied by his golden retriever Chad my heart melted. I have two senior golden retrievers and I know how much they mean to me. Dogs are great and if Chad is still living Neil is waiting for him and if Chad has passed then Chad and Neal are together. Neal's life will live on through his family. Celebrate his life.*

*My condolences to his wife, Kay and all his extended family.*

*Sincerely,*

*Peter T. Sauter*

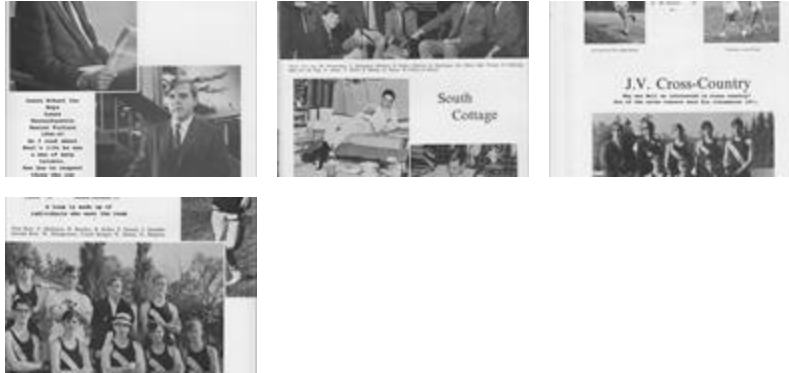
*Lenox School Class of 1967*

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**Peter Sauter** - June 17, 2015 at 06:04 PM

PS

“ 4 files added to the album Neil @ Lenox School



Peter Sauter - June 17, 2015 at 05:38 PM

CA

“ Neal and I both came to Lenox School in '64. We became good friends as we tried to navigate the loneliness and difficulty of a different world, like being in a foxhole together during a war. Lots of good memories that never die.

Carl Albano - June 17, 2015 at 07:01 AM

TZ

“ Kay, so very deeply sorry to hear of Neal's passing. Thoughts and prayers being sent to you and your family. Tammi & Ray Zalewski

Tammi Zalewski - June 15, 2015 at 07:58 PM

TJ

“ Tom And Nancy Lee Jewell lit a candle in memory of Neal Erik Almen



Tom and Nancy Lee Jewell - June 13, 2015 at 09:00 AM

TJ

*Our prayers and thoughts are with you Kay for you loss.*

**Tom and Nancy Lee Jewell** - June 13, 2015 at 09:01 AM

CR

*So sorry Kay I know you two had and epic romance and he was such a good kind soul*

**chuck reeser** - June 10, 2016 at 10:48 AM

SN

“ *Sue Nickerson lit a candle in memory of Neal Erik Almen*



**Sue Nickerson** - June 13, 2015 at 05:39 AM

SN

*So sorry for your loss Kay. May you always find comfort in the memories that you and Neal shared. God Bless*

**Sue Nickerson** - June 13, 2015 at 05:41 AM

KM

*Kay,*

*We are so sorry to hear about Neal's passing. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Kevin, Diana and Elizabeth Miller*

**kevin miller** - June 13, 2015 at 02:41 PM

GP

“ we are so sorry to hear of Neal 's passing . Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May you cherish the memories that you shared. May God Bless.  
*Gary and Renita Pinder*

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**Gary and Renita Pinder** - June 12, 2015 at 02:46 PM

SO

“ *Susan At Dr. Nobles Office lit a candle in memory of Neal Erik Almen*



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**Susan at Dr. Nobles office** - June 11, 2015 at 05:54 PM

JB

“ *Kay so sorry!*



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**Joyce Benton** - June 10, 2015 at 08:13 PM

FD

“ *Frankie And Jane Dill sent a virtual gift in memory of Neal Erik Almen*



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**Frankie and Jane Dill** - June 10, 2015 at 06:36 PM

SO

“ Sherrie @ Dr. Nobles's Office lit a candle in memory of Neal Erik Almen



Sherrie @ Dr. Nobles's office - June 10, 2015 at 09:23 AM

DE

“ Dave & Patti Eason lit a candle in memory of Neal Erik Almen



Dave & Patti Eason - June 10, 2015 at 08:23 AM

KO

“ Kristi And RJ Osborn lit a candle in memory of Neal Erik Almen



Kristi and RJ Osborn - June 10, 2015 at 07:27 AM

AJ  
Reed

“ Praying for you Kay,  
Love.  
Gary & AJ Reed



AJ Reed - June 10, 2015 at 06:42 AM

LS

“ *Linda Stryholuk lit a candle in memory of Neal Erik Almen*



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**Linda Stryholuk** - June 09, 2015 at 07:13 PM

KP

“ *So sorry for your loss Kay.*

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**Kay Pinder** - June 09, 2015 at 02:03 PM

DH

“ *Denny And Judy Hickman lit a candle in memory of Neal Erik Almen*



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**Denny and Judy Hickman** - June 09, 2015 at 01:50 PM

KH

*Kay and family so sorry for your loss and am sending thoughts and prayers your way.*

*KATHY AND Larry Hastings*

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**Kathy Hastings** - June 11, 2015 at 08:13 AM