



Kenneth Ray Palmer

December 8, 1933 - August 14, 2021

Kenneth Ray Palmer of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed away Saturday, August 14, 2021 at the age of 87. He was born December 8, 1933 in Leon, Oklahoma to J. D. and Viola (Brown) Palmer. He attended public schools from which he graduated and later obtained his bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering. Ken married the love of his life, Ann McDonald on June 22, 1957 in LaSalle, Texas. They shared more than 64 years of life, marriage and memories together.

He proudly served his country as a member of the United States Air Force and was stationed in Africa during the Korean War. He later received an honorable discharge in November 1957.

Early in his career, he worked in the gas and electric industry as a power plant inspector for Power Plant Construction. He moved his family in 1975 to oversee the new construction of the Muskogee Power Plant near Fort Gibson. He worked for OG&E and retired in 1993 after 34 years of service.

Ken will always be remembered as a quiet, soft-spoken, and honest gentleman but a fierce love for his family.

He will be dearly missed every day.

He was preceded in death by his son, James Ray Palmer in 2011; triplet great-granddaughter, Ally Renee' in 2014; three sisters, Bonnie Palmer, Hazel Snider and Helen Palmer; two brothers, Albert Lee Palmer and Peyton Palmer.

Ken is survived by his wife, Ann of the home; three daughters, Renee'

Fredrick (Brian) of Oktaha, OK, Diana Lynn Johnson (Joe) of Wagoner, OK, Terri Lancaster (Cliff) of Lebanon, OK; grandchildren, Rachael Fredrick and fiance' Eric Moore, Amber Morgan, Crystal Barker (Billy), Dee Dee Brown (Shawn), Cynthia Irvin, Buster Irvin, and Dakota Palmer; 12 great-grandchildren; 2 great-great-grandchildren; along with other family members and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the Oklahoma School for the Blind, 3300 Gibson St, Muskogee OK 74403.

A memorial service celebrating Ken's life will be 10AM, Saturday, August 21, 2021 at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel with Father Oby Zunmas officiating.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 21. 10:00 AM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel
1830 N. York St.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth Ray Palmer*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Dear Ann and Family, we are so sorry to hear of Ken's passing. We have such fond memories of him. He will be missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing him. Sorry. we are in NC and will miss his memorial service. We are pleased to make a donation to the School for the Blind in his honor. Danny and Kathleen Stanton*

Stanton's - August 21, 2021 at 08:10 AM



“ *Dearest Ann...have thought of you and Ken often through the years, you were both so exceptional kind to help me when I worked with you at Sear's and Ken at OG&E..I have never forgotten it. Ken was a great guy.
My sincerest sympathies for your loss. May you be comforted by the deep love of friends and family during this difficult time.
Vonnetta*

Vonnetta Allenbaugh - August 20, 2021 at 10:14 PM



“ *Ann and Family, We are so sorry to hear of Kens passing. He was a good man and will be missed. Our Condolences, love and prayers are with you all.
10 trees 🌳 planted in his honor.
Laurie and Keith Hallum*

Laurie Hallum - August 20, 2021 at 06:18 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Kenneth Ray Palmer.*



August 19, 2021 at 04:46 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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“ *Kenneth and I were not just cousins, we were friends, teammates, and Brothers. I remember one Halloween Kenneth and I were in Leon and Mr. Gibson shot at us and we started home, Mr. Gibson was following us, so we pulled over and hide only to find out that he had when down and talked to Pug. Mr. Gibson told Pug I got my gun if those boy's come back, and Pug said I will have my gun if you hurt those boys. Mr. Gibson left, and we meet Pug on the road looking for us, he asks what we had done, and we had just dropped a firecracker over the fence. Pug laughed and told us not to do it again.*

I will miss my weekly calls, sometimes daily calls with him. I know he is in a better place and enjoying being pain-free. Ann we love and our thought are with you and the family.

P. A. Hartman

P.A. Hartman - August 19, 2021 at 02:15 PM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - August 18, 2021 at 01:41 PM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - August 18, 2021 at 12:22 PM



“ Ed and Nancy Rivard purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of *Kenneth Ray Palmer*.



Ed and Nancy Rivard - August 17, 2021 at 01:29 PM



“ Nancy Malone purchased the *Garden Accent Stone* - "*Wherever a Beautiful Soul...*" for the family of *Kenneth Ray Palmer*.



Nancy Malone - August 16, 2021 at 09:14 PM

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“ He was a great man that I truly looked up to. He was like a 2nd father during my late teenage years. I am sure Ann will miss her husband and best friend very much. Glad she has lots family to surround her with love and wonderful memories.

April McCartney - August 16, 2021 at 04:39 PM

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Thank you for your sweet words.

Renee Palmer Fredrick - August 18, 2021 at 11:09 PM