



Kenneth Blain Starr

October 31, 1952 - October 27, 2023

Kenneth Blain Starr (1952 – 2023)

Ken gained his freedom from ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis/Lou Gehrig's Disease) on October 27, 2023.

He is survived by Judith, his wife and partner of 23 years, beloved daughters Julie (Michel) Walsh, and Melissa Starr, cherished grandchildren William, Charles, Aiden, and Sofia. He dearly loved his many nieces, nephews, cousins, and his ever-faithful dog Henry.

Ken was born and raised in Detroit, received his undergraduate degree from Wayne State University, and his Master's Degree in Business Administration from Lawrence Technological University. He retired from a 25-year career in public service, working primarily as a Contract Price Analyst for the U.S. Army Tank-Automotive and Armaments Command (TACOM). He took great pride and satisfaction in his work at TACOM, for he had a deep love of country and respect for veterans and active service members.

Ken led an active life and enjoyed many hobbies and interests. He loved participating in sports like softball, bowling, and golf, and was an avid deer hunter. He liked playing the drums and listening to smooth jazz and classic rock. In retirement, he cherished traveling with his wife and dogs, and enjoyed summer days on his pontoon boat with family and friends on Lake Saint Clair.

Ken was a kind, fun-loving, and generous man. He had many devoted friends, each of whom held a special place in his heart.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in Ken's memory may be made to ALS of Michigan (alsofmichigan.org), The ALS Association (ALS.org), or the National Brittany Rescue & Adoption Network (nbran.org).

Obituary written with love by Kenneth's wife, Judy Starr.

Visitation on Wednesday, November 1, 2023 from 2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Wasik Funeral Home - Gendernalik Chapel, located at 35259 Twenty-Three Mile Road, New Baltimore 48047. Funeral service at the funeral home on Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 11:00 a.m., with visitation beginning at 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 1. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home - Gendernalik Chapel
35259 23 Mile Road
New Baltimore, MI 48047

Visitation

NOV 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

NOV 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

SB

“ I'm sorry to say that I just found out about Ken's passing. I worked with him early on in my career with the government. He taught me how to develop pricing positions and negotiate contracts. He and I enjoyed many a pasties (with gravy of course) for lunch, and he loved it when I used to call him and ask "how's my hero doing?". Please accept my sincere condolences.

Steve Balthazor - November 08, 2023 at 12:36 PM

CH

“ You are at peace now Kenny. Sending love, hugs and prayers to family.

Cindy Hensley - November 02, 2023 at 10:47 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Kenneth Blain Starr.



November 02, 2023 at 09:42 AM

LK

“ Thinking of Ken's family and praying for comfort in this time of sorrow. Much love and thoughts to Cousin Judy.



Linda Kulczyk - November 01, 2023 at 04:37 PM

DE

“ Judy, I am shocked & heart broken for you and the family. I remember when you introduced me to Ken one afternoon at work. I could then put his handsome face with the name I'd heard for so long. He was a wonderful partner to you, a terrific father & grandfather and the best Dog Dad. Cherish the memories you made together. You are in my prayers 🙏

Donna Esposito - October 29, 2023 at 02:38 PM

TC

“ Sorry for your loss

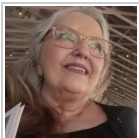


Thomas W Capling - October 29, 2023 at 12:50 PM

RF

“ Rest in peace Ken. Our sincere condolences to Judy and the rest

Rosanne Richards and Babinski family - October 29, 2023 at 12:33 PM



“ We are deeply sorry for your loss Judy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. Ken was a great friend to me during our TACOM & LTU years. He will always hold a special place in my heart. Today and always, may loving memories bring you peace, comfort, and strength 🌹❤️🌹

AE Spalding - October 29, 2023 at 10:58 AM

JC

“ Some 50 + years ago, my uncle KB (Judy's father), uncle Frank visited my dad at our home in Lincoln Park on Christmas eve for a drink. After they had a few, they all decided to go out to the garage and start playing with a Chrysler 2 Cyl. airplane motor. Fast forward 40 some years later at a Christmas party at Ken and Judy's home, Cousin Bob (Judy's brother) Ken and I had few and decided to make an attempt to repair an electrical circuit on a RECIPROCATING SAW!! We got it to temporarily workwithout electrocution or cutting our fingers off. Rest in Peace Ken. Pam amd my sincere condolences to Judy, his daughters, grandchildren and other relatives. Jim and Pam Kulczyk Romulus, MI.

Jim Kulczyk / Judy's cousin - October 29, 2023 at 10:57 AM