



## Charles "Ken" Keltner

July 9, 1962 - April 17, 2025

Charles Kenneth "Ken" Keltner, age 62 of Highland, IL, died Thursday, April 17, 2025, at his home in Highland, IL.

He was born on Monday, July 9, 1962, in Marion, IL, the son of Charles and Carolyn (nee Grizzle) Keltner. On Saturday, June 30, 1984, he married Tammy Marie Keltner (nee Korte) at St. Paul Catholic Church, Highland, IL, who survives.

He was a member of the Highland Optimist Club.

Ken was born in Marion, Illinois and at the age of 3 his family moved to Highland, Illinois. He was a 1980 graduate of Highland High School. Ken attended Blackburn College for 2 years and SIU-E for 2 years. He started his own business, Diversified Services, in 1982. Ken's business grew and became very successful. Ken enjoyed playing bridge, fishing, hunting and collecting pocketknives. He was a Life Master Bridge player. He ran Tuesday & Friday bridge games in O'Fallon. He enjoyed teaching others to play bridge. Ken loved his family wholeheartedly. At every opportunity he would spend time with them and give his grandchildren tractor rides.

Survivors include:

Wife - Tammy Marie Keltner, Highland, IL

Son - Charles Ryan (Amy) Keltner, Madison, WI  
Daughter - Christine M. (Timothy) Johnson, Fairview Heights, IL  
Sister - Carolyn D. Wagner, Sacramento, CA  
Mother-In-Law - Irma Korte  
Brother-In-Law - Tim Korte  
Brother-In-Law - Ted (Toni) Korte  
Brother-In-Law - Craig (s/o - Tori Held) Korte  
Grandchild - Elijah M. "Eli" Johnson  
Grandchild - Malachi B. Johnson  
Grandchild - Lydia A. Johnson  
Grandchild - Abigail E. "Abby" Johnson  
Nephew - Bryan (Leslie) Wagner  
Nephew - Aaron Wagner  
Nephew - Caleb Wagner  
Niece - Bethany Wagner  
Niece - Stephanie (Stacy) Nattier  
Niece - Amanda (Jeremiah) Jordan  
Niece - Erin (Chad) Self  
Nephew - Tyler (Sydney) Korte  
Nephew - Trenton Korte  
Niece - Teagan Korte  
Niece - Alexia Korte  
Niece - Victoria Korte  
Nephew - Sam Korte

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Charles Franklin Keltner, Jr. (dod 3/15/2008)  
Mother - Carolyn Kay Keltner, nee Grizzle (dod 12/06/2016)  
Brother - Dennis James Keltner (infant 1957)  
Father-In-Law - Herb Korte  
Sister-In-Law - Theresa Voss

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Thursday, April 24, 2025, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Friday, April 25, 2025, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM on Friday, April 25, 2025, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Interment will be at Highland City Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Highland Optimist Club or Highland Quarterback Club.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **24**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - Highland  
1501 9th Street  
P.O. Box 187  
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info@spengel-boulanger.com

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# Tribute Wall

JF

“ Jim Hobbs & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Charles "Ken" Keltner.



Jim Hobbs & Family - April 24, 2025 at 12:07 PM

MH

“ Michael H. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles "Ken" Keltner.

Michael H. - April 23, 2025 at 08:45 PM

LV

“ It was a pleasure to do business with Ken over the years. Very recently he designed our brick patio and fire pit. Prayers for the family and other loved ones.  
Van & Lora Vieregge



Lora D Vieregge - April 22, 2025 at 03:16 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Charles "Ken" Keltner.

April 22, 2025 at 08:09 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles "Ken" Keltner.



April 22, 2025 at 08:09 AM



“ MPR Supply Co. Staff. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles "Ken" Keltner.

MPR Supply Co. Staff. - April 21, 2025 at 11:02 AM



“ MPR Supply Co. Staff. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Charles "Ken" Keltner.



MPR Supply Co. Staff. - April 21, 2025 at 11:02 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Charles "Ken" Keltner.

April 20, 2025 at 08:44 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Charles "Ken" Keltner.



April 20, 2025 at 08:44 PM



“ Mike, Jim, Kathy, Tom, and Dennis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles "Ken" Keltner.

Mike, Jim, Kathy, Tom, and Dennis - April 20, 2025 at 08:41 PM



“ Mike, Jim, Kathy, Tom, and Dennis purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Charles "Ken" Keltner.



Mike, Jim, Kathy, Tom, and Dennis - April 20, 2025 at 08:41 PM



“ The Farmers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles "Ken" Keltner.

The Farmers - April 20, 2025 at 08:36 PM

TF

“ *The Farmers purchased the Memories 44" Sonnet for the family of Charles "Ken" Keltner.*



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**The Farmers** - April 20, 2025 at 08:36 PM

DS

“ *I am sorry for your loss. He was a remarkable person. We are praying for you in Colorado.*

*Love Dennis and Sherry Sheridan and Family.*



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**Dennis Sheridan** - April 20, 2025 at 08:17 PM



“ *Debra Wick lit a candle in memory of Charles Keltner*



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**Debra Wick** - April 20, 2025 at 11:24 AM

JD

“ *Jane Denny lit a candle in memory of Charles Keltner*



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**Jane Denny** - April 19, 2025 at 08:18 PM

DS

“ *In life we meet many acquaintances, occasionally we meet true friends. We have lost a true friend. Knowing Ken and his family for more than 30 years has been a blessing. He will truly be missed. Much Love from the Schaefer family.*

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**Denise Schaefer** - April 19, 2025 at 01:48 PM