



## Kenneth W. Kauffman

September 25, 1935 - December 30, 2025

Kenneth W. Kauffman, 90, of Lebanon, PA, formerly of Bucks County, PA, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, December 30, 2025, at The Masonic Village in Elizabethtown, PA. Ken was born in Langhorne, PA, to the late Archibald and Emma (Bazzel) Kauffman, who preceded him in death. In addition to his parents, Ken was preceded in death by the love of his life, Sallie Kauffman, sisters, Nancy Pietsch and Patsy Kauffman, and his beloved granddaughter, Amber Frye.

Ken was affectionately known as “Kenny, KK and Dad to many.” Our father was a devoted and loving husband to Sallie A. (Rice) Kauffman, and a proud father to his three daughters: Suzanne Frye, wife of Leigh Frye; Jennifer Doss, wife of Tim Doss; and Tracy Kauffman, partner of Chad Saunders. He was a cherished grandfather to Amber Frye, Justin Frye (wife Sabrina), Skyler Doss-Stockdale (husband Ross), and Austin Doss (wife Mikaela), and a proud great-grandfather to eight beloved great-grandchildren.

Dad was a highly respected and well-loved automobile dealer and manager in both the Philadelphia and Lebanon communities. He devoted over 60 years to the automobile business, a profession he genuinely loved and took great pride in. While his career was important to him, nothing in his life mattered more than his family.

Dad lived a blessed life filled of laughter, many friendships, memorable experiences, and lots of pets. He held a special place in his heart for all his pets, big and small but had a deep love for dogs. Dogs gave our father great comfort and joy even to the end. Dad took immense pride in his Bucks County horse farm and found true happiness in caring for our menagerie of animals, alongside his wife and three girls. Our parents lovingly watched us compete in horse shows—memories we cherished throughout our lives. In addition, the mountains were our dad’s “special place,” particularly his home in the Pocono Mountains, where snowmobiling, boating, and time spent with family and friends brought us all laughter and joy.

Our father loved all sports and spent countless hours watching and playing golf. One of his proudest accomplishments was achieving a hole-in-one at Desert Palms Country Club in Palm Springs, California, during a Ford Chairman's Award Trip. Through his numerous customer satisfaction awards, which he earned from Ford Motor Company, our parents were blessed to travel the world to beautiful destinations with partners and friends.

As a gifted athlete, our dad won a national high school batting title, earning the opportunity to play professional baseball for two seasons. He was also an excellent football player and was later inducted into the Neshaminy High School Hall of Fame for both sports. He held immense pride in these accomplishments. Dad enjoyed playing sports in his younger years and was a huge fan of the Philadelphia Phillies and Philadelphia Eagles throughout his life.

Our father was also proud of his military time with the army, and the many years he spent with the Hawthorne Caballeros Drum Corps, experiences he treasured throughout his life. Dad had a great love of music and was quite talented in both singing and playing the mellophone horn. Even at 90 years old, dad was sharp-as-a-tack. He could recall most musical lyrics and sports

statistics. He loved PSU football but especially cherished Notre Dame football, traveling many times with friends to Notre Dame games in various states. Dad was an honorary member of Notre Dame's Leahy Lads Club and was very proud of this recognition.

Most of all, our dad was incredibly proud of his family. He found his greatest joy in watching his grandchildren grow and compete in their own sporting events. No matter how near or far away these events were, pop-pop was always there. Supporting his family, friends, and charities meant the world to him.

Our father found comfort and fulfillment in his Methodist faith. He was a member of The Good Shepherd Church in Lebanon, PA where he served as an usher for many years. His faith guided him to a life of charitable services as an active Mason and Shriner. He served faithfully in all three organizations for more than 65 years.

His character made him a driven man, who faced life's challenges with courage and grace. During his final six years at The Masonic Home—years that were more difficult than most realized, as he lived as a double amputee—he never gave up. He greeted each day with a smile, humor, and a positive outlook. He was always looking forward to getting out, especially to enjoy meals with loved ones and spend time shopping. He was truly the kindest, funniest, and strongest soul one could ever know.

We thank the many friends, family members, and caregivers who supported and loved our father throughout his life. To his friends, we thank you for the memories, laughter, and companionship you shared with our father. Though his final years were challenging, he lived each day knowing how deeply he was loved by all of you. Our father was blessed to have devoted family

members who meant the world to him. We would like to thank cousin Dale Edwards, as well, sister-in-law Linda Cutillo, whose love and support were never ending. We deeply appreciate you and your love for our father.

God bless our father, now at rest,  
With peace and eternal comfort blessed.  
In heaven's light, he wakes to see  
The loved ones held in memory.  
With pets and kin, a joyful throng,  
He joins the everlasting song.  
With deepest love and eternal gratitude,  
The Kauffman Girls

A public visitation will be held on Saturday, January 10th, 2025, from 10:30AM-11:30AM at Kreamer Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., 618 E. Main St. Annville, PA 17003. Funeral Services will begin at 11:30AM on Saturday at the Funeral Home. Interment will follow at Gravel Hill Cemetery, Palmyra.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: The Humane Society of Lebanon County, 150 N. Ramona Road Myerstown, PA 17067, or The Humane Society of Harrisburg Area, Inc., 7790 Grayson Road Harrisburg, PA 17111.

# Cemetery Details

## Gravel Hill Cemetery

54 Gravel Hill Road  
Palmyra, PA 17078

# Previous Events

## Public Visitation

JAN 10. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Kreamer Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc  
618 E. Main Street  
Annville, PA 17003  
(717) 867-4811

## Funeral Service

JAN 10. 11:30 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

GM

“ To the Family of Kenneth W. Kauffman, Your Dad was a beautiful ,generous and loving person, It was an honor for me to march in the Corps with him, A memory I will never forget...We the Caballeros were competing in Pa. one weekend, Your Dad was so excited that he invited the Entire Corps to a barbecue back at your Home and ..how could we forget the prize possession THE BARN..Ken was a great man and friend I will never forget him..One consolation for The Family..I know He walks with God this Day...Yours Truly Gene Marotta. ..Hawthorne Caballeros Soloist 1963- 1983

Gene Marotta - January 10 at 05:20 PM

JD

Thanks 🙏. He was the best and I remember that party! Some people Never saw a chicken before. We loved growing up around the Corp. great memories ❤️

Jen doss - January 12 at 06:56 PM

SF

Thank you 🙏. I remember that night too. The buses I think stopped at my best friends house. They were having a luau party. Thinking it was our farm. Fun times! My dad would take us girls and each a friend to all the practices at West Point. We would play on the gym equipment and practice Marching. Thank you Gene. He spoke of you often and would always say how talented you are. Thank you 🙏

Sue Frye - January 14 at 06:12 PM

EM

“ Eugene M. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kenneth W. Kauffman.



Eugene M. - January 10 at 05:09 PM

EM

“ Eugene M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth W. Kauffman.

Eugene M. - January 10 at 05:09 PM

LT

“ Love, Cheryl & Tim planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth W. Kauffman.

Love, Cheryl & Tim - January 09 at 03:17 PM

ST

“ Sandy, Cindy, Laura , Tanya purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Kenneth W. Kauffman.



Sandy, Cindy, Laura , Tanya - January 09 at 02:26 PM

JH

“ I'm so very sorry for your loss. Kenny was a dear friend who I enjoyed knowing during our time with the Caballeros. He was always smiling and happy. My deepest condolences to your family.

Jack Hopper - January 09 at 09:14 AM

SU

Thank you, Jack. He felt the same way about you. He enjoyed keeping in touch with you and would tell me when you called. I still go catch a show with my bestie and we always put him on FT so he can see them perform. He was one of a kind! He will be deeply missed. Thank You, Sue

sue - January 09 at 09:07 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kenneth W. Kauffman.



January 08 at 07:58 AM



“ Love, Sunday, Whitney, and Ashley purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Kenneth W. Kauffman.



Love, Sunday, Whitney, and Ashley - January 07 at 09:58 PM



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Love, Sunday, Whitney, and Ashley - January 07 at 09:58 PM



“ I take comfort in knowing that Ken is now with his beloved Sally and their best friends, my parents. Rest in peace Kenny.

Desiree Morasco - January 07 at 05:12 PM

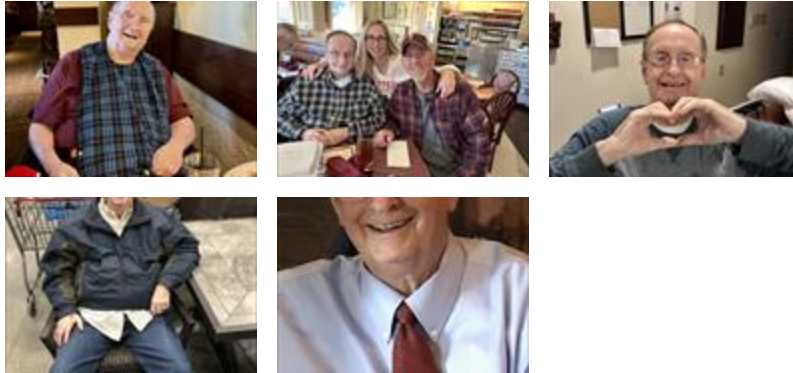


Thank you, Desiree  
And thank you for all your visits

Sue Frye - January 07 at 05:26 PM

CS

“ 14 files added to the album *Celebrating Ken's life.*



**Chad Saunders** - January 07 at 03:41 AM

TK

*Great memories, thank you Chad. ❤️*

**tkauffman** - January 07 at 06:51 PM

SF

*Great pics! Lots of great memories*

**Sue Frye** - January 08 at 09:08 PM

JD

*Wish you were there to share his beautiful service.*

**Jen doss** - January 12 at 06:54 PM



“ *Patti Portale lit a candle in memory of  
Kenneth W. Kauffman*



**Patti Portale** - January 06 at 02:19 PM

SF

*Thank you Patti. He always asked about you. Our Dads are probably out getting ice cream*

Sue Frye - January 07 at 05:30 PM

TK

*Thank you ❤️*

tkauffman - January 07 at 06:51 PM

MH

*“ What a beautiful obituary for Kenneth. My sincere condolences to the entire family in your loss of Kenneth. May your memories with him comfort and give you peace in the months ahead. God Bless your family. Michelle Hair (cousin to Tim Doss).*



Michelle Hair - January 06 at 01:59 PM

BT

*“ I have such fond memories of your dad. He was always so warm to Amy and myself. When we lived in Lebanon I always looked forward to seeing Ken and Tracy in church and I can recall grabbing something to eat after the service. He would reminisce about his days working for my father-in-law, Dick Runkle and his time in the care business. Always greeted me with a smile. Brooks Trefsgar*

Brooks Trefsgar - January 06 at 11:07 AM