



Kenneth P. Hetrick

March 28, 1947 - November 19, 2024

Kenneth P. Hetrick, 77, of Grantville, PA, went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, unexpectedly at his home. He was the husband of Linda K. (Herr) Hetrick. They celebrated their 55th wedding Anniversary this past May 17.

Born in Lebanon, PA, on March 28, 1947, he was the son of the late Herman P. and Anna R. (Grubb) Hetrick. Following high school, at age 19, he was drafted to serve in the U. S. Army during the Vietnam War. He was deployed to Vietnam from 1967-1968 in the 11th Armored Cavalry (Black Horse), HOW BTRY, 2nd SQDN. After coming home, he continued to work at Hershey Chocolate Company and entered the National Guard Reserves and served until 1981. He retired from Hershey Chocolate Company in 2009 where he worked as a mechanic in the Kiss Department. He attended the God's Missionary Church, in Lebanon. He was a member of AMAC and the 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia. He enjoyed working in the woods and tinkering and fixing just about anything. He especially enjoyed traveling with his wife and spending time with his children and grandchildren. He will always be remembered for his integrity, diligent prayer life, and his devotion to the Lord. He never knew a stranger and often shared his faith and love for his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children, Tiann K. wife of Jamie

Rutt of Elizabethtown, Aaron P. husband of Julia Hetrick of Nashville, TN, Nina C. wife of Wayne Briggs of Eldridge, IA, Daniel R. husband of Tracy Hetrick of Franklin, TN, Gail V. wife of Jeff Martin of Grantville, Kenneth H. husband of Lindsey Hetrick of Bentonville, AR, Rachel E. wife of Benjamin Biggar of Grantville and Anna M. wife of Christopher Osborne of Round Hill, VA; sister Suzanne wife of Pete Spitler of Lickdale; 27 grandchildren, one great grandchild with two more on the way. He was preceded in death by his grandson, Julius Hetrick, and his sister Shirley Bonavitz.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 27, 2024, at the God's Missionary Church, 2127 Hill St., Lebanon. A viewing will be held beginning at 9:30 a.m. until the start of the service. Interment with military honors will follow at Zion Lutheran Cemetery, 10310 Jonestown Rd., Grantville, PA. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Lebanon God's Missionary Church's Benevolent Fund.

Do you know the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior?

Cemetery Details

Zoar Lutheran Cemetery

560 Freeport Road
Lebanon, PA 17046

Tribute Wall

WW

“ My deepest condolences to you all in this time of earthly sorrow. May God's overflowing grace fill your days with comfort.
--Wonita (Maulfair) Werley

Wonita Maulfair Werley - November 30, 2024 at 08:58 PM

BK

“ Linda and beloved children of Ken, please accept the condolences of the veterans of the 11th Armored Cavalry: the veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia. Kenneth was one of us, one of our own and is remembered as an honorable trooper whose very presence brought comfort and support to his fellow troopers. He will be included on the Honor Role of our combat veterans as his service highlighted his bravery and valor. As grateful Americans we should all pause and salute a man who was willing to put his life on the line for his country and fellow man. As our burial liturgy states: “ ... his life has not ended, merely changed ...” and as we were together then in Vietnam, we will be together again in the life hereafter, warmly embraced in the arms of our Heavenly Father.
Chaplain Bill, 11th ACVVC (Vietnam 71-72)

Blandin Karabinos - November 29, 2024 at 10:14 AM

TK

“ Todd & Stacy Kelley purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kenneth P. Hetrick.



Todd & Stacy Kelley - November 26, 2024 at 02:10 PM

TK

“ Todd & Stacy Kelley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth P. Hetrick.

Todd & Stacy Kelley - November 26, 2024 at 02:10 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Kenneth P. Hetrick.



November 25, 2024 at 04:33 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kenneth P. Hetrick.

November 25, 2024 at 04:33 PM

PI

“ Penn View Bible Institute purchased the Celestial Love for the family of Kenneth P. Hetrick.



Penn View Bible Institute - November 25, 2024 at 12:12 PM

FF

“ Fred and Barb Hauck and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Kenneth P. Hetrick.



Fred and Barb Hauck and family - November 25, 2024 at 12:11 PM

WB

“ Wayne and Cam Briggs
Ken was a very caring person. Always made time for us when he would come down to visit his daughter. He loved the Lord and was a real servant. His life showed it. We will miss him but will meet again.

wayne Briggs - November 25, 2024 at 12:04 PM

FA

“ Frank and Annamary Auker purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Kenneth P. Hetrick.



Frank and Annamary Auker - November 24, 2024 at 02:59 PM

JH

“ John, Madelyn, and Frankie Hoffmann purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Kenneth P. Hetrick.



John, Madelyn, and Frankie Hoffmann - November 23, 2024 at 03:43 PM

JH

“ John, Madelyn, and Frankie Hoffmann planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth P. Hetrick.

John, Madelyn, and Frankie Hoffmann - November 23, 2024 at 03:43 PM

DP

“ David, Jim & Adam, Roy & Joyce, Tom & Peggy purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Kenneth P. Hetrick.



David, Jim & Adam, Roy & Joyce, Tom & Peggy - November 23, 2024 at 01:34 PM

TS

“ The Ober family and John and Shirley purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Kenneth P. Hetrick.



The Ober family and John and Shirley - November 22, 2024 at 04:58 PM

TS

“ The Ober family and John and Shirley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth P. Hetrick.

The Ober family and John and Shirley - November 22, 2024 at 04:58 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kenneth P. Hetrick.*



November 22, 2024 at 03:55 PM



“ *Kimberly Hale purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Kenneth P. Hetrick.*



Kimberly Hale - November 22, 2024 at 11:20 AM



“ *Kimberly Hale planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth P. Hetrick.*

Kimberly Hale - November 22, 2024 at 11:20 AM



“ *Scott McDermott lit a candle in memory of Kenneth P. Hetrick*



Scott McDermott - November 22, 2024 at 10:14 AM