



Kenneth E. Freytag

April 29, 1958 - June 17, 2017

Kenneth E. Freytag, 59, of Ridgeville Corners, Ohio passed away peacefully early Saturday morning, June 17, 2017 at his residence.

He was born April 29, 1958 in Groton, Connecticut, the son of Frederick "Fritz" and Marilyn (Drewes) Freytag. On July 17, 1982 he married Sandra Lohse at Zion Lutheran Church, Ridgeville Corners.

Kenny was a 1976 graduate of Napoleon High School and played in the NHS Band. He was the chief operator for Gerald Grain for over 40 years. He was a member of Zion Lutheran Church, having served in the choir and as church chairman. He was also active in the church mission trips. He was a member of the Flying Dutchman, and a five time champion shooter for the Ridgeville Schutzenfest. He was an experienced diver and was a member of the Henry County Underwater Search and Recovery. He was a licensed private pilot, and proudly served Ridgeville Fire Department as their Fire Chief. He was also a member of the Henry County Fire Chief Association. He loved going snowmobiling, hunting and life in general. Through all these activities, he became a friend to all. More than anything, he loved his children and grandchildren and spending time with them whenever possible.

He is lovingly survived by his wife, Sandy; Parents, Frederick "Fritz" and Marilyn Freytag; 3 children, Craig Freytag, New Bavaria, Ohio; Crystal (Ben) Meyer, Archbold, Ohio; Brian (Melissa) Freytag, Livonia, Michigan; 6 grandchildren, Zach Meyer; Carson Meyer; Carlee Meyer; Taylor Freytag; Ashley Freytag; Aniah Freytag; brother, Don (Annette) Freytag, Pineville,

Missouri; and half sister, Debbie (Dave) Laitinin, Seymore, Indiana.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday June 21, 2017 at Zion Lutheran Church.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, June 20, at Rodenberger Funeral Home from noon to 8 p.m. and at the church on Wednesday one hour prior to the service.

A Fireman's Last Call Service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday evening.

Memorials are suggested to the Ridgeville Fire Department, Henry County 4-H Endowment Fund or to a charity of the donor's choice.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 20. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Napoleon Funeral Home
1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545
(419) 592-2333
help@rodenbergergray.com

Fireman's Last Call Service

JUN 20. 7:30 PM (ET)

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1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545
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Service

JUN 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Zion Lutheran Church
20141 Co. Rd. X
Ridgeville Corners, OH

Tribute Wall

OR

“ *May God comfort you during this time of sorrow. I enjoyed working with Marilyn for many years & always enjoyed hearing about her family.*

Odette Rolon - June 24, 2017 at 10:26 AM

BG

“ *Bob, Marcia & Seth Gobrogge lit a candle in memory of Kenneth E. Freytag*



Bob, Marcia & Seth Gobrogge - June 21, 2017 at 01:58 PM

Janet
McElvaine

“ *We extend our sincere sorrow to you who were with Ken in the day to day. We are so sorry for your loss, our loss. It is Ken we have to thank for our son's first and exhilarating experience on a go-cart (maybe Uncle Ken built it without a speed governor? :) It is Ken we have to thank for an unforgettable tromp in the Swiss Alps in search of a volunteer from the Gimmelwald fire department. It is Ken we will always remember spending time with on the farm and for his deep and Godly love for family. He got it right and shared it always and everywhere. We are grateful to be recipients.
Lee and Janet McElvaine, Snohomish, WA*

Janet McElvaine - June 21, 2017 at 10:40 AM

MW

“ Dear Uncle Fritz and Aunt Marilyn, I was so saddened to hear of Ken's illness. Many condolences to you and to Ken's family at your loss. I remember Kenny taking me up in his plane once when I was a teenager on one of our visits from Germany. I was so proud and excited to have a cousin who could fly! He took me over Grandma's house so we could wave at it. Robert, the girls and I will continue to hold you all in our thoughts and prayers.

Mary Grace (Freytag) Weir

Mary Grace Weir - June 21, 2017 at 09:45 AM

RF

“ Dear Sandy and family, Marilyn and Fritz,

Harriet and I are thinking of you and will be thinking of your tomorrow as you mourn and at the same time celebrate Ken's life. Though we have not been in close touch over the years and so were not aware of the role he played in his community, we have been impressed at his deep involvement and the fact that he is greatly respected for who he was and his accomplishments. Above all, we are glad of his unwavering faith, which we sensed something of every year at Christmas. The card you, Sandy, together with Ken, sent was always an indication you celebration of Christ and his grace in your lives.

We send you condolences together with thanksgiving to our Lord for Ken's presence in the world.

Love, Ralferd and Harriet

Ralferd and Harriet Freytag - June 20, 2017 at 08:06 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth E. Freytag.*



June 20, 2017 at 08:51 AM



“ *I worked at Gerald Grain in Hamler but knew Ken from when he came over. Very nice guy. So sorry for your loss. Kathy Lieb*



Kathy Lieb - June 20, 2017 at 06:52 AM



“ *Most of my snowmobiling involved Ken . Whether we were around home riding with him and Terry Bostelman , or in the U/P of Michigan we always had a good time . Ken usually picked the trails to ride, and if one of our machines broke down he always seemed to be prepared for almost anything . Above all though was his desire to see that all of us returned home in one peice. A great guy that will be missed . Our thoughts and prayers are with his family .*

Jay Meyer - June 20, 2017 at 06:17 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kenneth E. Freytag.*



June 19, 2017 at 08:47 PM

AH

“ Activate Healthcare purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kenneth E. Freytag.



Activate Healthcare - June 19, 2017 at 03:55 PM

GD

“ Out thought and Prayers go out to the family and to the extended Fire Department family. As a Firefighter the entire Fire Department is family.



Gorham Fayette Fire Department - June 19, 2017 at 02:38 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth E. Freytag.



June 19, 2017 at 10:07 AM

JF

“ JIM MEYER & FAMILY purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Kenneth E. Freytag.



JIM MEYER & FAMILY - June 19, 2017 at 09:34 AM



“ Kenny was fun-loving and great to talk with. He always had a smile. When he and Sandy would come out to our summer parties at my Dad's (Art Miller), it added so much to the peaceful time of relaxation and celebration. My sincere condolences to Sandy and all of the family. God bless you.

Paul Miller - June 19, 2017 at 07:04 AM



“ Kenneth was my father in law and always will be. He has been a father to me for over 20 years and there are so many times he has come to my aide when I needed to talk, or a dad to teach me and his son Craig something. I will always call you dad and hold you in my heart. I thank you for being here for me always and never thinking twice. You will be missed, however, I am blessed to know that you are in heaven not alone but, with my birth father Jeffery Adcock my grandparents Rosemary and Eugene Budzis and can look down upon your family and be their Guardian Angel.



My condolences to Ben and Crystal Meyer and children, Brian and Melissa Freytag and daughter, Craig Freytag my dear friend and father of our children, condolences to my daughters Taylor and Ashley Freytag and to Ken's lovely wife and as I still call her MOM. Also, to Kens parents Marilyn and Fritz Freytag who I still call grandma and grandpa and to Kens Brother Don who I am dear friends with. I hope and pray for peace and comfort for you all. You will always be family to me and I am always here for you all feel free to call upon me anytime, I will always listen and offer you my prayers and friendship. God Bless you all during this difficult time.

*Love Always,
Mary Freytag*

Mary Freytag - June 18, 2017 at 02:41 PM

LD

“ *Our condolences go out to the family and friends in this most difficult time. Ken will be sadly missed by all who knew him. May he rest in peace.*

Larry & Leanna DeGroff - June 18, 2017 at 01:39 PM

DT

“ *Fritz and Marilyn, My deepest condolences to you and your family.*
david toles

david toles - June 18, 2017 at 11:13 AM



“ *God Bless your family as you grieve the loss of Husband, Dad and Grandpa. We pray for your peace at this time. We think of you so much.*
Dave & Karen Keesbery

David Karen Keesbery - June 17, 2017 at 10:01 PM

JD

“ *Forever a Hometown Hero...Rest in Peace*

Jeannie Detmer - June 17, 2017 at 07:42 PM