



Kenneth Jacob Kechter

August 7, 1934 - October 22, 2017

Kenneth Jacob Kechter, 83, of Fort Collins Colorado. Passed away peacefully October 22, 2017, Kenneth passed away due to a heart condition.

Kenneth was born in Fort Collins Colorado on August 7, 1934 to Jacob Kechter and Elizabeth (Yeager) Kechter. Kenneth was the youngest of two sons. His brother Arnold Kechter passed away in 1973. Kenneth grew up on Akin St. and went to the old Washington school on Shields St. and the old Lincoln Jr. high school and graduated from the old Ft. Collins high school in 1952. In 1995 he went on a blind date with some friends where he met the love of his life JoAn Franz. On November 20th 1955 they married and started their life long journey together. They started a family right away and raised 5 children together in South College Heights where Kenneth built the house where his children grew up. Kenneth and JoAn were married almost 62 years until JoAn passed away on July 27th 2017. Kenneth followed in his father's footsteps and was part of a family construction business with his father and his brother. Later on in life he went to work for Kodak and also for Larimer County and he finished out his career at Point Five windows where he really enjoyed making custom windows. Kenneth, like his wife enjoyed the many animals that they had over their lives. He always had a smile on his face and his warm kind blues eyes would always light up a room. He was a man of few words and a man of integrity. He will always be remembered for his playful spirit. He would often show children how far he could put his left thumb in his

ear and they were always amazed until he showed the children as he was laughing that he had no left thumb. His laughter brought joy to those around him.

Kenneth is survived by his five children, Randall F. Kechter, Denise J. Miles (Kevin Miles) Dawnetta M. Mitamura (Jim Mitamura), Rodney K. Kechter (Laurie Kechter) and Reginald A. Kechter. His eight grand children, Kollette Miles Decker (Dan Decker) Kelli Miles Vaughan (Anthony Vaughan) Nate Miles (Brianna Mazzella), Nikki Kechter Croft (Reuben Croft), Paul Kechter (Jami Kechter) Teresa Kechter, Jacob Kechter and Nicholas Kechter, and his five great grandchildren Delaney Kechter, Harlow Kechter, Ladan Decker, Dillion Mazzella and Elizabeth Kechter.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Global Missions Foundation Inc, or because of his love for animals, contributions may be made to Bounce, Animal House Rescue and Grooming, Big Bones Canine Rescue, and Best Friend Animal Society. Thank you.

Cemetery Details

Grandview Cemetery

1900 W. Mountain Ave.
Ft. Collins, CO 80521

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT 27. 10:30 AM (MT)

Timberline Church
2908 S. Timberline Rd
Fort Collins, CO

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Kechter family,
I'm so sorry for the loss of your dear dad and mom. I'll always remember them as kind, good and in the highest regard “salt of the earth” people.
When I was best friends with Dawnetta, In high school, I would always be at your house. Your parents always made me feel welcomed.. I'm sure they didn't want to see or to feed another kid, but they invited me to dinner anyway. I remember your dad coming home from work. So tired but he still smiled and greeted everyone. I also remember little animals like rabbits and gerbels as well as cats and dogs, maybe birds? Anyway, it was always fun at your house.
Your mom and dad were great people who raised their children well.

I had many good times at your home. I'll always remember Dawn and your family.

God bless you all
Diane Morper- Burgin

diane burgin - October 28, 2017 at 02:04 AM



“ A tribute to my father

*To my loving father your work here on earth has ceased
From that worn out old body your spirit has been released
You're now in heaven and you were received with a song
I'm sure mom was there saying "What took you so long"
I am sure that grandma and grandpa were waiting there too
With all the other saints who are celebrating with you
I can only imagine what you must be feeling right now
How great is your reward and what you did with the plow
For you sowed with kindness and with your great big heart
Oh how I will miss you so much for this time we are apart
But sometimes this life is hard and sometimes unfair
Yet this is the cross that most children will have to bare
How I will miss your big blue eyes and your sweet warm smile
But I know in my heart that it will only be for just a while
I am so thankful to God that he gave me such a great dad
Knowing you will no longer be around just makes me so sad
We will now spend our holidays without you and mom there
It will be just us five kids and the memory of you to share
There are so many great memories that I will hold on to
Like going to Redfeather fishing and it was just me and you
And the smile on your face when you had a fish on your line
But some days we had caught nothing and we didn't mind
I know I will see you again for my bible tells this is true
That when all is said and done I will be with mom and you
So dad we bid you farewell as we celebrate you new life
For your now where you belong up in heaven with your wife*

Reggie Kechter - October 25, 2017 at 10:35 PM

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Oh.....Reg.....i know the family and mom & dad luvd yur poem !! I know I did!!
Luv, sis.... 😭

pamela - October 27, 2017 at 11:11 AM

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Reggie,

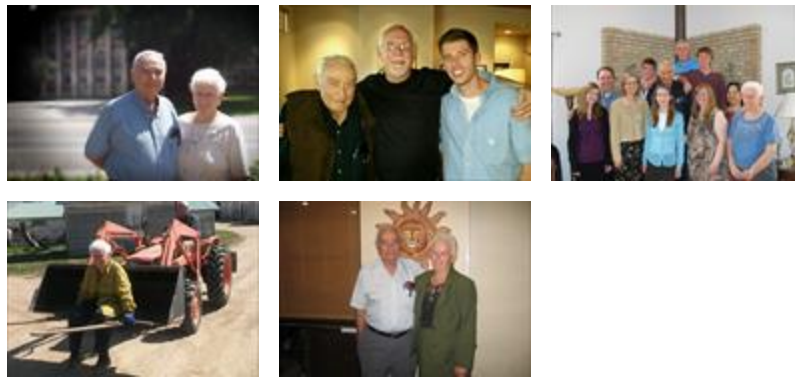
I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of your Dad. May God give you peace and sweet memories in the days and months ahead.

Cheri

Cheri Richardson - November 13, 2017 at 12:06 AM

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Reggie Kechter - October 25, 2017 at 07:43 PM

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Wonderful Pics !! 😊

pamela - October 27, 2017 at 11:14 AM