



Arnold D. Keen

December 26, 1946 - September 28, 2024

Arnold D. Keen, Arnie, drove off into the sunset on Saturday, September 28th, 2024. His spirit was full of life, love, and a boundless sense of humor, leaving behind memories that will be cherished forever.

He was the beloved husband of Patricia Keen (nee Wyckoff), with whom he shared a beautiful and enduring marriage. Their love for one another was evident in every moment they spent together.

Arnie was a devoted and proud father of Troci Tomson and Mike (Heidi) Keen. His children knew him not only as a parent but as a friend, mentor, and the source of countless jokes and life lessons. He found great joy in being a grandfather, cherishing his time with Ally (Jake) Bullington, Jesse Tomson, Jeremy Tomson, David Keen, Yeraldina Keen, and Elaina Keen, always lighting up whenever they were around.

He was the dear brother of Brenda (Butch) Lindsay, Barbara Keen, David Keen, Jean Case, Janice (Blair) Smith, and Carla Wallace, whom he remembered with love. He was preceded in death by his loving parents Earl and Ruth Keen, as well as his siblings Virginia Garrison and Jimmy Nations, with whom he is now reunited in peace.

Arnie was known as a fun-loving jokester with a particular sense of humor that endeared him to everyone he met. There was never a dull moment in his presence. His laughter was contagious, and his spirit was bright. His pranks, quick wit, and lighthearted approach to life left everyone with a smile.

A proud Marine, Arnie was deeply honored to have served his country. He

continued that spirit of service by becoming an active member of the American Legion Post #783 in House Springs, where he formed lifelong friendships. His love of country and community was evident in everything he did.

Arnie had a special passion for helping children grow and thrive. He coached countless basketball, baseball, and softball teams, leaving a lasting impact on the lives of the young people he mentored. His dedication to teaching kids about teamwork, sportsmanship, and life was unmatched.

He also had a passion for cars, especially his 2018 Mustang GT Convertible, which brought him endless joy. He loved listening to the rev of the engine and cruising the open road, often with a grin and a nod of approval at the powerful sound it made.

Arnie spent his downtime with his close-knit group of friends, affectionately known as the "Rowdies Group," where coffee flowed freely, stories were shared, and laughter filled the air. These gatherings were a highlight of his week and a testament to the lasting friendships he built. Before the Rowdies, Arnie loved to spend time drinking coffee and playing pool with his best friend Earl.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, October 3, 2024, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at Chapel Hill Mortuary, 6300 Hwy 30, Cedar Hill, MO. The service will immediately follow at 12:00 pm. Arnie will be laid to rest at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens, where his memory will live on.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Toys for Tots or St. Jude's Children's Hospital, two causes close to his heart.

Cemetery Details

Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens

6300 SR 30
Cedar Hill, MO 63016
(636) 274-4100

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 3. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Ceremony

OCT 3. 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

OCT 3. 12:45 PM - 1:15 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Arnie was a wonderful guy. Honored to be in his rowdie group. Always smiling and joking. Tell Earl hi and rest in peace buddy you will be missed. Love and prayers to Pat and your family. Love Gerri and Herb*

Gerri Barbeau - October 03, 2024 at 12:56 PM

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“ *Mariners 12u Softball Family purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Arnold D. Keen.*



Mariners 12u Softball Family - October 02, 2024 at 11:53 AM