



Kenneth Ray Morrison

February 14, 1930 - February 20, 2022

Kenneth Ray Morrison of Ozark, MO passed away on February 20, 2022 at the age of 92. While Kenny managed to steer clear from Covid these last two years, in the end it was his love of ice cream, pie and cookies that his arteries could no longer take.

Kenny was born on Valentine's Day 1930 to Paul and Sarah May Morrison of Humansville and lived there until 2015 when he moved to NorthPark Village in Ozark. It was at NorthPark that he returned to fiddle playing, entertaining his fellow residents on a regular basis.

He graduated from Humansville High School in 1948 and the following year he married Martha (Andrews) who sadly lost her battle with cancer in 2009. After her passing he learned to cook. Having perfected cornbread, he declared that Martha was right: if you can read you can cook.

Kenny began his career operating a milk route and built a dairy herd. He raised cattle as well. But his real love was horses. His expertise with horses led to his involvement with the Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Breed Association (MFTHBA). He was a farrier, he trained and eventually bred Fox Trotters. His stallion, Toddy's Perfection was one of the most successful breeding stallions in the industry.

Kenny was known for his honesty and character. Often customers, who resided from coast to coast would purchase a horse from him just based on his word that this horse was for them. Many of them became lifelong friends. In 1998 he was inducted into the inaugural Hall of Fame class of the

MFTHBA.

Kenny served on the Southwest Electric Cooperative Board for more than three decades, twice as Board President. He was a valued member of the community; he was inducted into the Humansville High School Hall of Fame in 2013. Morris Westfall, former State Representative and former State Senator, once described him '.....if you were to look in Webster's Dictionary for the definition of a good person of strong character it would say Kenny Morrison without a doubt'

He was a great storyteller. It could be about anything from horses to people; he just loved to retell a tale. His memory was so sharp that he could even recount the weather on that specific day.

Kenny attended the Humansville United Methodist Church for his entire life. In recent times he was proud to announce that he was the oldest living member of this church. That accolade now falls to his lifelong friend Bob Kimes of Humansville, who was born six months after Kenny.

He is survived by his children Donna and husband Jim Huffman of Ozark, Kenny Paul and wife Helene of St. Louis, Debbie Murray of Springfield, and Dennis and wife Nancy of Kansas City. His 9 grandchildren: Casey and husband Alex Dakin, Brad and wife Lindsey Huffman, Kristen and husband Lance Lewis, Jay and wife Julie Morrison, Sarah and husband John Olson, Andrew Morrison, Abby and husband Nick Mahon, Claire VanZante, and Matthew Morrison.

He is survived by 13 great grandchildren: Chase Barclay, Brenner Barclay, Reece Huffman, Reagan Huffman, Rosalyn Huffman, Madison Lewis, EJ Lewis, Blake Morrison, Katherine Morrison, Benjamin Olson, Noah Olson, Hope Mahon and Hunter Mahon.

He was preceded in death by sister Mildred Floyd and brother Malvern. He is survived by his youngest sister Norma Pitts of Bolivar.

The visitation will be held Saturday, February 26, 2022 at 10 am at the Humansville United Methodist Church with the funeral to follow at 11 am. Please join us to celebrate a life well lived.

In lieu of flowers the family encourages donations to Humansville United Methodist Church, PO Box 164, Humansville, MO 65674-0164 or the Humansville Cemetery, Humansville City Hall, PO Box 144, Humansville, MO 65674-0144, Attn: Mark Keller.

Cemetery Details

Humansville Cemetery

Humansville, MO 65674

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Humansville United Methodist Church
802 WEST TILDEN STREET
Humansville, MO

Funeral Service

FEB 26. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Kenneth Ray Morrison

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ Kenneth Ray Morrison

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ Family, we were so very sorry to hear of Kenny's passing. We loved him, he was such a good man. My dad, Gene Peterson, thought the world of him. I think they had a lot of good times and probably got into their share of trouble as youngsters. I have such fond memories of trips to Humansville to visit. I remember going off the back end of a real horse and off all sides of Uncle Paul's barrel bucking horse. 🐾 I also remember a picnic in Springfield where we had to line the cars up and pass food from car to car in a downpour. We are in Texas now so won't make the service but please know you are all in our thought and prayers. Jim & Bev



Jim & Beverly (Peterson) Breedlove - February 26, 2022 at 12:17 PM

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“ Kenny was a good man . In fact I have know him all my life . He used to shoe my horses at my grandparents farm (Earl and Eva Vickers) I always thought he was a kind man and had the most beautiful horses . He was also on the board at Southwest Electric and that is where my husband worked for 38 years. I always got to visit with Martha and Kenny at Christmas. We have sure missed them . Will be keeping his family in our prays as you say goodbye, it was a honor and pleasure that our paths crossed in this life . With deepest sympathy . Mark and Donita Stanek

Donita Stanek - February 25, 2022 at 03:56 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth Ray Morrison.



February 25, 2022 at 12:34 PM

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“ The Pitts family purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Kenneth Ray Morrison.



The Pitts family - February 23, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Kenneth Ray Morrison.



February 23, 2022 at 06:22 PM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray* was purchased for the family of Kenneth Ray Morrison.



February 23, 2022 at 01:20 PM



“ *The Carl Andrews Family* purchased the *Country Basket Blooms* for the family of Kenneth Ray Morrison.



The Carl Andrews Family - February 23, 2022 at 10:03 AM



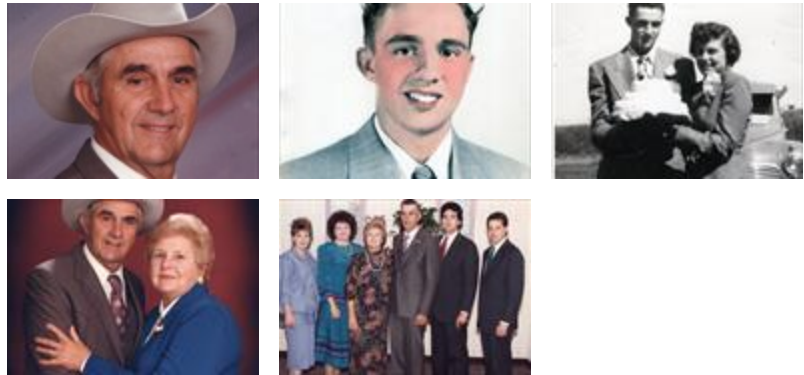
“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Kenneth Ray Morrison.



February 23, 2022 at 12:05 AM

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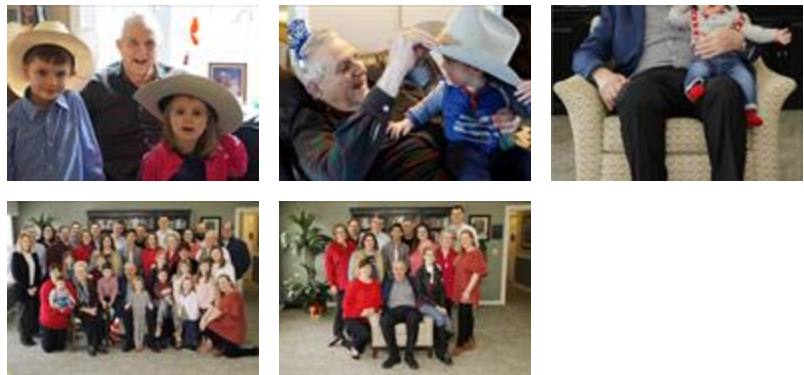
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Sarah Olson - February 22, 2022 at 01:46 PM

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