

Kenneth C. Meredith

October 4, 1953 - July 15, 2019

Kenneth "Mule" Meredith, 65, of Centralia, passed away Monday, July 15, 2019 at Crossroads Community Hospital in Mt. Vernon.

He was born October 4, 1953 in Centralia, son of Harry Kenneth Meredith and Ruby Fern (Reynolds) Tucker. He married Debra Parker on October 26, 1972 and she survives in Centralia.

In addition to his wife of 46 years, Debra Meredith of Centralia, he is also survived by his four children: Chrystal Gruen and husband Doug of Centralia, Andy Meredith and Shayne of Centralia, Nicole Graham and husband Roger of Centralia, and Nick Meredith and wife Tracey of Salem; eleven grandchildren: Christine, Angela, Josh, Dakota, Charla, Gavin, Hunter, LeeAnn, Vada, Avalynn, and Blaine; three great-grandchildren: Eli, Earo, and Miles; a brother: Keith Meredith of Centralia; two sisters: Delores Hodge of Centralia and Hazel Osborne of Texas; several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents: Harry Meredith and Ruby Tucker, a granddaughter: Montana Gruen, two brothers: Richard Kirgan and Karl Meredith, and a sister: Kathy Meredith.

Kenneth worked at Grand Prairie School as a bus driver and custodian for 20 plus years. He served in the U.S. Army and was station in Germany. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and being outdoors. He also enjoyed watching his Western Shows. Most of all his greatest enjoyed was spending time with his family, grandchildren and friends.

A Visitation for Kenneth "Mule" Meredith will be Saturday, July 20, 2019 from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia. Military Honors will be accorded at the Funeral Home by the American Legion Post 446 and V.F.W. Post 2055. Memorial donations may be made to the family and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home and Cremation Services at 235 North Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523, who is honored to be of service to the Meredith Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com

Events

JUL Visitation 11:00AM - 12:00AM

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Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home US

Comments



66 A tribute video has been added.



Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home - July 18 at 04:47 PM



Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Kenneth C. Meredith.



July 18 at 06:10 PM



66 111 files added to the album LifeTributes







Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home - July 18 at 03:45 PM



66 Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth C. Meredith.



July 18 at 10:29 AM



66 Sorry for your loss. Sending my condolences.

- Julie Nelson

Julie Nelson - July 18 at 09:40 AM



I will always remember Kenny's grin! I taught at Grand Prairie for 5 years, and Kenny was always there to help me anytime I needed him or had a crazy idea! He might chuckle and shake his head, but he always checked on me to make sure I had what I needed! My condolences to the entire Meredith family.

Cara Allison - July 17 at 09:52 PM



Kenny and I were childhood best of friends right up to the time I quit high school and joined the Army, I think the funniest and most memreable time Kenny and I shared, we were probably 10-11 yrs old, and there was this old abandoned 2 story house at the end of the street Kenny lived on, Bicknell st, we use to say that one time or another that we were going to camp in that old house cause it was supposed to be Haunted, so one night we did, and we sat up half the night listening to the sounds of the house, then we heard what we thought were heavy footsteps coming up the stairs, so we looked at each other and Kenny said to me, if that's a spook or anything like that, I.m going right out that door there, I told him Kenny there isn't any door there he said well there will be when I get there LOL. Kenny was always a stand up guy, and would do anything for anyone!, My Deepest condolences to Debra, and the whole Meredith Family I know what your going thru, I lost my wife of 15 yrs to cancer last year, if I can be of help please let me know, God Bless all of you...Vernon Cook

Vernon Cook - July 17 at 08:54 PM



RIP, my longtime good friend! You will be sadly missed by many! My sincere condolences to the family, of such a good man! Our deepest sympathy! Jack n Donna Trainor

jack n Donna Trainor - July 17 at 06:56 PM



Thank you for allowing me to be one of his nurses. He will be missed. My deepest sympathies to all of you.



Stacey Finckbone - July 16 at 10:40 PM



66 Jan Poehler lit a candle in memory of Kenneth C. Meredith



Jan Poehler - July 16 at 09:21 PM



66 All my condolences to the family



Malinda Nattier King - July 16 at 06:03 PM



Kenny was my bus driver when I was in grade school. He would always joke around and act goofy with the kids and give them little butter scotch candies when he dropped them off. He was such a great man.

Haylee - July 16 at 05:10 PM