



Kenneth P. Mitchell Sr.

June 11, 1932 - May 1, 2022

Kenneth (Ken) Proctor Mitchell was born in West Chester, PA on June 11, 1932 to the late Harry Allison Mitchell, Jr. and late Elsie (Proctor) Mitchell Jacobs of Devon. He was called home on May 1, 2022.

Ken married Debbie (Coppedge) Mitchell on January 19, 1952 and had 4 children: Patricia Mitchell Brown McGhee (deceased); Kenneth Mitchell Jr. (Elaine Terry); Mary Jane (MJ) Mitchell Hemmings (deceased; Gregory Hemmings); and Wesley Mitchell. Ken remarried in 2008 to the late Heather Mitchell of Mont Clare.

Ken leaves to cherish his precious memory: Two sons- Kenneth Mitchell Jr., Wesley Mitchell and son-in-law Gregory Hemmings. Grandchildren: Josanne Rubin, Kenneth Mitchell III, Lauren (Brown) Hibbs, Dionne (Hemmings) Harrell, Courtney Mitchell, Lisa (Brown) Ellison, Jasmine Hemmings, Wesley Mitchell II, Adryan Bates and many great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Ken grew up in Berwyn, PA. As a child he was a Boy Scout, had a paper route and helped his mother after school at her job, working for the Norcini family. He had three brothers and a sister, all of whom were called home before him: Harry Allison Mitchell III, Guy Mitchell, Mary Jane Mitchell, and John Mitchell. Kenneth was educated in the Tredyffrin-Easttown school district and also by his father, who fostered his love for driving big machines even at a young age.

He was apprenticed by the Gray Brothers and would go on to become a licensed excavator for over 60 years. He was proud to note that everyone who worked for him was given insurance and honest pay. Ken raised his family in Phoenixville, where he served as a trustee and choir member at Bethel Baptist Church. Ken helped to build the church where it is today, alongside his son, Wesley Mitchell. Ken and his family later moved to Berwyn, where he conducted most of his contracted jobs. Ken and his late wife Debbie were philanthropists and were members of many clubs including: The Phoenixville Area Progressive Club, Kiwanis Club and The Boy Scouts of America to name a few. Ken enjoyed cruise trips with his friends, Quander family reunions, talking shop with construction friends and most importantly, spending time with his family. We will remember his strength, faith and contribution to the Phoenixville community, alongside his late wife, Debbie, both of whom are featured on a mural off of Bridge Street.

The funeral is on May 11th, with a Welcome & Visitation from 9:00am - 11:00am, and a Homegoing Service beginning at 11:00 am at Bethel Baptist Church, 412 Fairview Street, Phoenixville, PA 19460.

Flowers may be sent to Bethel Baptist Church 412 Fairview Street
Phoenixville, PA 19460.

Cards may be sent to Ken Mitchell Jr. 450 East Slocum Street; Philadelphia,
PA 19119.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 11. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel Baptist Church
412 Fairview Street
Phoenixville, PA 19460

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

BF

“ *Barbara Byrum & Family purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of Kenneth P. Mitchell Sr..*



Barbara Byrum & Family - May 11, 2022 at 10:15 AM



“ *2 files added to the album VIDEO TRIBUTE*



Campbell-Ennis-Klotzbach Funeral Home - May 10, 2022 at 11:37 AM

JS

“ *A Good loving Friend. You will be missed Jay*

Jay Shah - May 10, 2022 at 08:35 AM

RI

“ *We were neighbors of Ken on Valley View road. He did a lot of work excavating for our new home. He was a kind and charitable man and we will miss him.*

Roy Innella - May 10, 2022 at 08:07 AM

PD

“ We had just eaten dinner at Patrice Proctor's home. Talking about life and good things. How society had changed because Uncle Kenny was a deep thinker. I was always happy to drink from his cup of knowledge. A Gentleman!

Pamela Depte - May 09, 2022 at 12:45 PM

EF

“ Elaine-Flagg & Robert Blount & Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Kenneth P. Mitchell Sr..



Elaine-Flagg & Robert Blount & Family - May 09, 2022 at 12:15 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Kenneth P. Mitchell Sr..



May 09, 2022 at 12:07 PM

DG

“ As a child I remember Ken bowling with his church league, against my father and our church league. Those two were always carrying on and making fun of each other, but they always had respect and love for each other. Will miss having New Year's Day dinner with you at my brother Ed's house. RIP Ken

Deborah Smith Garner

Deborah Smith Garner - May 07, 2022 at 03:46 PM

JB

“ *My Uncle Ken..special K..who I loved&adored the past 69 years..a steady &loving constant in my life.A true family man of God who was a great provider&protector.He always gave great advice as he was knowledgeable about so many things.Always calm.cool&collective ..as his niece he treated me and loved me like a daughter..my hero.I will always cherish the beautiful memories he gave me..love u much* ❤️🙏

joyce coppedge brickley - May 06, 2022 at 05:46 PM

CR

I was Patsy's room mate at West Chester. Mr. Ken and Ms. Debbie, attended everything that we participated in. My heart is broken but God knows best. Cresta Rylander-Taylor

crtaylor - July 26, 2022 at 08:20 PM