



## Kenneth Paul Carroll

July 25, 1951 - July 2, 2016

Kenneth "Kenny" Paul Carroll died peacefully Saturday, July 2, 2016 surrounded by his loving and devoted family. His passion for life and memorable sense of humor were only matched by his love for family and friends and the unique, meaningful ways he invested his time and energy into each of his relationships. Following his 2013 pancreatic cancer diagnosis, it was both his "glass is half full" outlook and his desire to keep enjoying life with his wife, children and grandsons that continuously strengthened his will to fight valiantly and live life to the fullest each day. A celebration of Kenny's life will be held Saturday, July 9 at 1 pm at Christ Our Hope Lutheran Church, 2165 Highway 138 SW, Riverdale, GA 30296 with a reception immediately following at the church. Born on July 25, 1951 in Lakewood, OH to Neal and Leone Carroll, Kenny was the second of six children and graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School in Pleasant Hills, PA. It was there that he met and fell in love with his wife, Lynn. He loved to tell the story that at first he doubted he would ever get her to marry him. Luckily, Lynn proved him wrong and they built a beautiful family sharing 43 fun-filled years together. Their love for one another was enjoyed by so many – especially when you'd catch them telling a funny story together laughing and finishing each other's sentences. A graduate of Duquesne University and a natural relationship builder, Kenny led a successful sales career, working for the past 16 years with Gema US as Regional Sales Manager. Using his God-given gifts outside of work, too, he was probably best known for titles like "coach," "mentor" and "friend," proven

by the fact that all who knew him could recount memorable “Kenny stories” or relay how impactful his presence in their lives had been. His relentless love for sports began early and never stopped. He played baseball in high school, was a diehard Pittsburgh Steelers fan, and spent virtually every Saturday morning enjoying time with his son or special friends playing golf. And if Saturdays were spent on the golf course, on Sundays you’d find him in church. A man of faith and tradition, Kenny loved the Thanksgiving holiday best because of the opportunity it allowed him to gather family and friends and express how thankful he was for them. Kenny is already dearly missed, but warmly remembered through the lifetime of memories and love he gave to all who knew him. He leaves behind: his beloved wife, Lynn, and his two children and their spouses who were his absolute pride and joy – son and daughter-in-law, Danny and Susan Carroll and daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Jimmy Lynch; his beautiful mother, Leone Carroll; five of the most fun-loving siblings a brother could have; Dan Carroll, Joanie Snyder, Marilyn Kane, David Carroll and Tom Carroll; his adored (and adorable) grandsons Hudson Carroll and Andrew Lynch; caring in-laws Dan & Norma Jean Black; and many nieces and nephews who grew-up knowing “Uncle Kenny Sir” loved them and could always be depended on to make them feel special. He was preceded in death by his father, Neal “Lefty” Carroll, who Kenny fondly celebrated and honored throughout his life to ensure his jokes, pranks and traditions continued. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network ([pancan.org](http://pancan.org)), 1500 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266. Condolences or favorite memories/stories about Kenny would be cherished and may be sent to: Christ Our Hope Lutheran Church, c/o Pastor Jeff Halenza for Kenny Carroll Family, 2165 Highway 138 SW, Riverdale, GA 30296. Parrott Funeral Home, Fairburn, Georgia.

# Tribute Wall

AH

“ I had the pleasure of working with Ken for the last 13 years. Ken was always positive, professional and helpful. My experience with him was that he put others before himself, was relentlessly positive, and had tremendous courage. My thoughts and prayers are for his family and friends. regards, Aaron Hughes

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**Aaron Hughes** - July 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ To the family and friends of Kenneth. I send my condolences. When we lose someone we love to what the Bible call "the enemy" we all need comfort. It breaks into our lives often completely unprepared and steals our loved ones away. But there is a wonderful promise to us in the Bible at Revelation 21 : 4 it reads "and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes and death will be no more, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be anymore pain : for the former things are passed away" That is good news because right here on earth is where we experience these things. They will be gone forever!! Jesus assures us "the hour is coming which all those in the grave will hear his voice and come out" [John 5 : 28-29] This may not completely take away your grief, but I hope you can find real hope and strength to look to the future. If you would welcome more on how to cope or just why does God allow suffering? Please visit [www.jw.org](http://www.jw.org)

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**mrs coes** - July 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ To the Carroll Family,

*My deepest condolences for your loss. Ken's reputation exceeds more than just professionalism within the industry in which he worked, but rather Ken was known and respected for his kindness, integrity, and honesty amongst those he came in contact with. Please know I send prayers of peace and comfort to you.*

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**John Fett** - July 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ Ken was such a great person to work with....

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**Mike Jiang** - July 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ To the family we are sorry.  
*Ken was always a joy to see at all the Gema meetings. His kindness and conversations were awesome.*

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**Steve Hurst** - July 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ *I worked with Ken at Gema and always enjoyed his smile and humor. He always had a kind and humorous word for me when he was in Indy. I will miss that and him. Also, he was always one of the first to text me when the email system was down. I told him many times to put that iPhone away. :-)*

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**Richard Robinson** - July 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ Largely because of Ken, we have placed very big orders for equipment to Gema only 6 weeks ago. I had no idea that Ken was suffering from PC.

*He was a pleasure to deal with. Not only was he a very nice man but he was sensational at his job.*

*I am saddened by this news and will miss him.*

*Arnold Kamler, CEO of BCA*

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**Arnold Kamler** - July 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BZ

“ We are truly sorry for your loss.

*A contagious sense of humor, a generous nature, courage and leadership.*

*You will be missed.*

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**Bob Zaffino** - July 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ *Ken's Family*

*I know Ken is looking down from heaven and the hurting from his passing will be with you for a long time. After time the hurting will go away but he will never be forgotten. You are in my prayers.*

*Thom*

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**Thom Hanson** - July 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *Ken, you will be missed. R.I.P.*

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**Tony Davis** - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Ken was a wonderful person. He was very friendly and fun to be around. The industry will deeply miss him.  
Our deepest sympathies for his family.

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**Don Miller** - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *Kenneth Paul Carroll*

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**Bill Cox** - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ *It is with great sadness that I learn of Ken's passing. Please find peace and strength in God's great compassion and the knowledge that we shall all be reunited again. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers*

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**Tim Rankin** - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ *Ken was a delight to work with. He was extremely knowledgable and made work FUN! He will most certainly be missed. Our Prayers are with his family during these most difficult times.*

*MAW ENTERPRISES, USA*

*Mark & Cassandra Wilson*

*Tampa Bay, Florida*

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**Mark Wilson** - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ I've only known Ken for a short while as a customer, but the short time we had was surely memorable. Great guy indeed! This tragic news surely gave me a heavy heart today. My condolences, thoughts, and prayers are with the family and friends during this time.

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David - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Rest in peace Ken. You will be missed by all.

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BARRY FREDERICK - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ I didn't know Ken personally but in my over 6yrs with Airtech Spray Systems, I've heard Nothing but Great things about him, I send my deepest condolences and Pray God Give you all HIS PEACE.  
"To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord"

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Dorothy Frederick - July 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ Ken-You shall be missed by all who knew you for you made a lasting impression on all you met. We had some mighty great times together doing what we liked best softball & golf and just having a good time. May GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AND MAY GOD BLESS AMERICA. SO LONG BUDDY CATCH YOU ON THE FIRST HOLE OF A NEW LIFE IN HEAVEN.

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LEE EMERSON - July 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM