



Kenneth Earle Thompson

May 19, 1956 - May 27, 2014

Bellingham, WA and Tempe, AZ

On May 19, 1956 Kenneth Earle Thompson was born in Millinocket, Maine to Wallace E. Thompson, Sr. and Faye Hartley Thompson. In 1968 Ken's family moved to Bellingham, WA where on January 2, 1969 he met the love of his life and future bride, Michelle. Best of friends through middle school, high school and forever, they tied the knot on July 2, 1976 and had two wonderful sons, Adam and Jesse. Gainfully employed since the age of 11, Ken's work ethic was beyond measure and using his sunny smile and giant heart, he endeared himself to only 3 employers in his adult life, but literally thousands of customers who would ask for Ken by name. Plagued by a bad heart, Ken spent the last 8 years of his life exhibiting the best qualities God calls a man to have; Kindness, generosity, thoughtfulness, and Faith. The greatest of Ken's qualities was his faith, faith that saw him fight battles most of us only read about – and through it all he remained convinced that God was keeping him coming back for a reason. That reason was the way anyone who ever met Ken felt when they parted company. Ken had a way of making a dark day brighter, a tough moment meaningful and the ability to put a positive spin on any disaster, especially his own. They say that what matters in the end is the lives one has touched while on earth, Ken touched many, many lives and always for the better. On May 27, 2014 Ken's giant heart stopped beating and he joined his father, Wallace E. Thompson, Sr, his mother, Faye Hartley

Thompson, his Grandmother, Madeline Tinkham at Jesus' banquet table and you can bet he's hold a spot for each of us that cares to join him. Ken leaves an enormous and deeply loved family; his beloved wife, Michelle, eldest son, Adam and youngest son & family, Jesse & Vicca Thompson and Grandsons, Sahani & Jerry Thompson. Sisters, Stephanie (Allen) Anderson, Vanessa (Dennis) Chitwood, Margaret (Chad) Kemp, brothers Wallace Thompson, II and Eugene Thompson. Ken shared a closeness with his in-laws as tight as any, Jerry & Carol Thompson, Don Thompson (deceased), Diane (Loren) Neyens, Laura Remsen, Jeff (Jan) Thompson, Valerie (Jon) Frazier, Robert (Jodi)Thompson, Kyle (Shelly) Danielson, Heidi (Stu) Soderquist, and Jerry (Melissa) Thompson, Jr. , and 26 nieces and nephews . Ken's family circle wouldn't be complete without mentioning the enormous Arizona family aunts, cousins, second cousins etc. who welcomed him into AZ in 2010 with open arms and made him feel so loved and welcome.

Tribute Wall

BQ

“ While it saddens me to learn of the death of a loved one such as Ken, it saddens God even more. He does not want your family to grieve in pain. Please know that He is very much aware of the many fond memories you shared together. That is why, through Jesus Christ, God promises to resurrect those in The Memorial Tombs. (John 5:28,29) As you await the fulfillment of His promise, take comfort from his word and extend comfort to your other grieving loved ones with the same comfort. (2 Cor. 1:3,4) You can also find and share encouragement from the site www.jw.org. All the best wishes for your family at this difficult time.

Babe Quintrall - May 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ I never knew Ken,. He was my nephew. I'm very sorry for the family's loss.I.

George Walsh - May 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ So sorry to hear of your brother's passing. I can't imagine the pain. I'm putting myself in the middle of all this. So glad I could read about your brother..Thank you for the article. Love you guys.

dolores Luse - May 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Thinking about you and sending lots of hugs and prayers. Ken sounded like a wonderful man kind hearted man.

Amy Marcum - May 27, 2014 at 12:00 AM