



Kent Lee Freeland

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Kent Lee Freeland, 70, of Vandalia, IL passed away at 12:18pm Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at Barnes Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00am Monday, March 27, 2017 at Northside Christian Church, Vandalia with Pastor Carl Rhodes and Pastor Curtis Sweeney officiating. Visitation will be held from 5-7pm Sunday, March 26, 2017 at Northside Christian Church and also one hour prior to services on Monday, March 27, 2017. Memorials may be made to Northside Christian Church or Vandalia Alumni and Friends.

Kent Lee Freeland was born June 10, 1946 in Vandalia, the son of Kenneth and Marcella (Funk) Freeland. He was a 1964 graduate of Vandalia High School where he was a 3 sport athlete, and was inducted into the Vandalia Athletic Hall of Fame with the 1963 undefeated Midstate Conference Champion football team. He continued his education and was a 1969 graduate of Illinois State University. He married Mary Anna "MA" Engleman on December 8, 1973 in Decatur, IL. After teaching briefly in the Chicago area, Kent and MA moved back to Vandalia, where Kent retired from teaching at the VCHS Okaw Vocational Center; Kent, alongside his father and his son, Kris, also owned and operated Freeland Farms. He was a member and deacon at Northside Christian Church and a former president/member of the Vandalia Lions Club, also making time to serve several terms on the Sharon Township board as a Trustee and Supervisor.

Mr. Freeland is survived by his wife Mary Anna "MA" Freeland of Vandalia; daughter Katherine and husband Dustin Brown of Vandalia; son Kris Freeland of Vandalia; brother Jerry Freeland of Arizona; brother- in- law Jim Engleman of Arizona; sister- in- law Lee Roseland of Iowa; and grandchildren Alyssa Filer and Rustin Brown of Vandalia.

He was preceded in death by his parents.



Events

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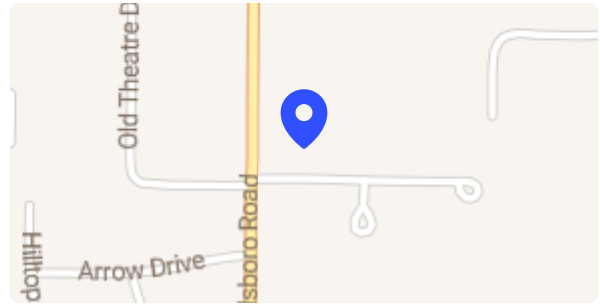
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Visitation

Sunday, March 26, 2017

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT

Northside Christian Church
1845 Jackson St, Vandalia IL 62471

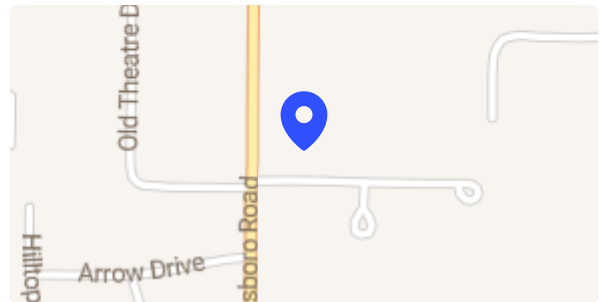


Visitation

Monday, March 27, 2017

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM CT

Northside Christian Church
1845 Jackson St, Vandalia IL 62471

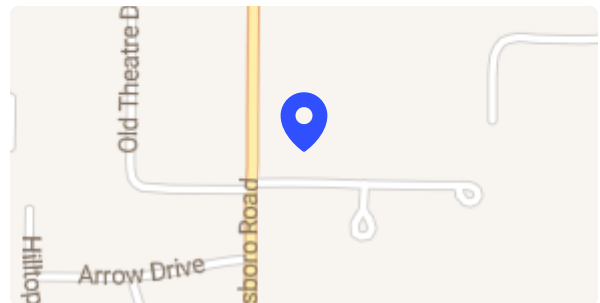


Funeral Service

Monday, March 27, 2017

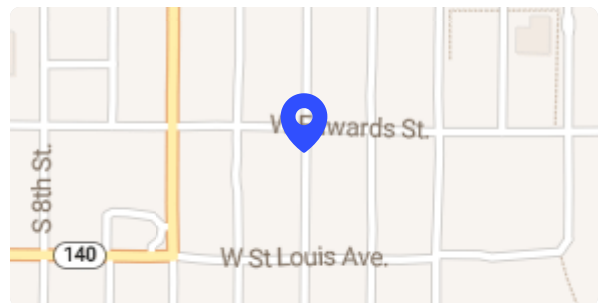
11:00 AM CT

Northside Christian Church
1845 Jackson St, Vandalia IL 62471



Cemetery Details

Fairlawn Cemetery
South 6th St, Vandalia IL 62471





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LJ

Linda Whitson Johnson posted:

Mary Anna, I was so sorry to hear of Kent's Death. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Linda Whitson Johnson

March 25 at 12:17 PM

SC

Stephani Cox posted:

Mary Anna, I am so sorry to hear of Kent's passing. Please be comforted by the fact that together you and he had a long and happy marriage and raise a wonderful family. Love, Stephani

March 25 at 9:52 AM

Lo

Linda Ober March 27 at 5:04 PM

Mary Anna Our deepest and heartfelt sympathy to you our dear cousin and to your family. Kent went directly into the arms of Jesus and His arms will sustain you now and give you strength and peace. Love. Linda and Mimi



Anonymous sent a Bright and Beautiful Spray to the Freeland family.



March 24 at 6:50 PM

ST

Sharon Templeman posted:

From Lombard and Addison Trails where you met in your twenties, it was there your romance bloomed. A borrowed wedding gown and the lovely wedding.....Then the difficult years of wanting children. God answered with two babies that shared some growing years with us. Adulthood came after the summers in Effingham catching lighting bugs and attending fireworks. It all happens so quickly. Kent's smile and hearty laughter will be with us forever. We have many warm memories shared through the years. We are blessed to have been with Kent and MA, Katie and Kris. May God wrap His loving arms around you in friendship. Sharon & DonJon, Joel & Lia

March 24 at 3:01 PM



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KC

Kathy Critcheloe posted:

Kent was a wonderful Christian man. He was a loving father and husband and I am proud to call him a friend. He was a great teacher and took his leadership role with his students to heart. He was a dedicated teacher. We are all better for knowing him!!

March 24 at 2:25 PM

MM

Mickey Moore posted:

Very sorry to hear of Kent's passing. shared a lot of good memories with him and Jerry and their Dad when we all worked building the Okaw Saddle Club. Prayers and condolences to the family Mickey Moore

March 24 at 6:30 AM

CC

Charlotte Chripe posted:

Good memories R .i. P . Kent Cripe Grain Co. families

March 24 at 4:25 AM

MS

Mary Stice posted:

Love to MA, Kris, Katie and family. So many great fun memories of Kent over the years. The picture captures the smile and laughter of Kent so beautifully.

March 24 at 2:21 AM

CC

Cathy Chisholm posted:

Prayers for God's peace and comfort to embrace you as you entrust Kent to God's eternal care.
Cathy Chisholm, Idaho Falls

March 23 at 7:13 PM

CH

Charlie And Linda Harris posted:

Thoughts and prayers for your family. Sorry for your loss.

March 23 at 4:11 PM



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Anonymous sent a Strength & Solace Spray to the Freeland family.

March 23 at 3:52 PM



Zac Collins posted:

I'm sorry for your loss. I wish your family the best in this trying time.

March 23 at 2:33 PM



Don Dillon posted:

Mary Anna, Kris & Katie, I am sorry for your loss. Kent was a hard worker and loved you all very much. Don Dillon

March 23 at 2:08 PM



Marilyn Achelpohl posted:

Mary Anna, Katie and Kris, I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers for all of you during this difficult time. Marilyn and Don Achelpohl

March 23 at 1:44 PM



Edward E. Mills posted:

There is a brotherhood among the five "Fillmore Guys" who all grew up together in the 1950s/60s on West Fillmore Street. Even as we all went our separate ways following our respective VCHS graduations, we maintained that connection throughout our adult years. Kent and I spent an afternoon together last September during one of my return visits to Vandalia. Kent was a life long friend... we always seemed to continue that brotherhood relationship whenever we met, despite any geographic separation or lapse of time. Rest in peace Kent, until we meet again! Ed Mills, Westford, MA

March 23 at 1:14 PM



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Edward E. Mills shared an album called **New Album Name.**



March 23 at 12:56 PM



Edward E. Mills shared 5 photos to the **New Album Name** album.

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1968-08 Kent, Jerry, Ron & Charles Williams, Ed Mills



Pat Smith Frost March 23 at 9:33 PM

Great picture/great smiles! Happy Days!



1971-10 Kent, Tim Merman, Ed Mills



Pat Smith Frost March 23 at 9:36 PM

I didn't recognized Kent in the smaller picture of this one! Great friends!



1953 Kent, Jerry, Ron Williams, Ed Mills



Pat Smith Frost March 23 at 9:23 PM

I recognize Kent Lee, but that doesn't look like you, Ed. Thanks for sharing. Those of us that went to First Baptist Church with Kent had some wonderful times in Sun. School, Vacation Bible School, choir, and other youth group activities. We had a dedicated pastor, parents, and Sunday School teachers, etc. that worked with us! We will miss you! Praying for the family with God's blessings. Pat Smith Frost and family.



1954-08 Kent, Jerry, Ron Williams, Ed Mills



Pat Smith Frost March 23 at 9:29 PM

Kent Lee is the third boy from the left next to Ed, right? Looks like you were leaving home with your bags!



1955-09 Kent, Jerry, Ron & Charles Williams, Ed Mills



Pat Smith Frost March 23 at 9:39 PM

Those were the days!



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Kent by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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