



## Kenneth L. Durkee

May 24, 2020

Durkee, Kenneth L.

Born to Eternal Peace May 24, 2020 at the age of 90 years. Loving husband of Margaret “Maggie” (nee Brom) for 65 years. Dear father of Vicky (Don) Hojnacki, Kim, Thomas and Christopher. Loving grandfather of Joshua (Chrys), Peter and Jacob Papia; and Daniel Hojnacki. Dear great-grandfather of Zoe, Sabrina, Destinee, Madelyn, Derek and Winston. Brother of Eugene (Diane) from Janesville, WI. Further survived by other relatives and friends. Ken was preceded in death by his parents Leslie and Anna (nee Emmerfall), brother Donald of Madison, WI and sister Arlene Thompson of Stoughton, WI.

Ken is a proud retired US Navy Veteran and retiree of Delco Electronics. In retirement he loved traveling in his motorhome for 4 months at a time and belonged to the Fleet Reserve Association #14.

Special thanks to the staff and caregivers of Oak Park Place Memory Care Facility (Oak Creek, WI) and very special thanks to Trace and Vie for their guidance and compassionate care.

In lieu of flowers donations to Alzheimer’s Association Southeastern Wisconsin Chapter or St. Stephen Congregation of Oak Creek, WI are appreciated.

Visitation Monday, June 1 at the FUNERAL HOME from 4:00 to 6:00 PM with a Funeral Service to follow at 6:00 PM. Private Entombment St. Adalbert Cemetery.

Rozga Funeral & Cremation Services

Rozga-Walloch Chapel

4309 South 20th Street

Milwaukee, WI 53221

414-281-7145

# Cemetery Details

## St. Adalbert Cemetery

3801 S. 6th Street  
Milwaukee, WI 53221

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 1. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ On behalf of everyone here at the Alzheimer's Association - thank you so much for thinking of us at this time of loss to your family. Memorial donations made in Kenneth's name will be put to immediate use serving families and supporting research. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
*Dave Grams, Executive Director*

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**Alzheimer's Association WI Chapter** - June 01, 2020 at 10:05 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth L. Durkee.*



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June 01, 2020 at 06:55 AM



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**Frank Gole** - May 31, 2020 at 07:59 PM



*Thanks for sharing your memories.*

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**Kim Durkee** - June 01, 2020 at 09:29 AM

CD

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Christopher Durkee** - May 31, 2020 at 12:26 PM


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**Christopher Durkee** - May 30, 2020 at 11:59 PM

  
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Paul

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**Christopher Paul** - May 30, 2020 at 02:25 AM

CD

“ 90th birthday

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**Christopher Durkee** - May 30, 2020 at 02:17 AM

JK

“ With deepest sympathy, our hearts go out to you Aunt Margaret, Vicky, Tom, Kim & Chris. Uncle Ken was greatly loved by all who knew him. I am so glad you two were able to be snow birds with your 5th wheel in tow. So many great memories. We will all be reunited with him when our time comes. As he has been reunited with his parents & siblings. He no longer suffers & is in good hands with the lord. May the good Lord give you strength to carry on. Rest in peace uncle Ken, see you in heaven. Love you all always!!! Joni & Steve Postler

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**Joni Postler niece of Ken** - May 29, 2020 at 11:46 AM

CD

Thanks. Love you guys! ❤️❤️

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**Christopher Durkee** - May 29, 2020 at 04:21 PM

FG

“ My deepest sympathy to all of Ken's family. Maggie please take care and stay strong. I really don't know what Ken would have done without you. You're a very special lady.

*I'm sure you know how much the gang from Department 472 EIMM's at Delco Electronics respected, loved, and enjoyed many, many sheephead games with Ken.*

*I still say he was one of the most knowledgeable persons at Delco. His experiences and tutoring to the rest of us was invaluable. We could always count on him for the correct answers to our questions. I remember his "little black book" that was referenced by him if the answer to a question was not immediately available to him.*

*Ken will always be remembered very fondly by his friends from Delco !!*

*Frank Gole*

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**Frank Gole** - May 29, 2020 at 10:03 AM

JN

*Frank . . . you've said it all. Ken was a mentor to us all in my time at Delco and more.*

*And. . . . Thanks to Ken, we still to this day make 'Mrs. Durkee's' oatmeal cookies that he asked Maggie to share the recipe with us..*

*Fond memories of his amiable and thoughtful nature.*

*Condolences to Maggie and all of Ken's extended family !*

*Jim & Patty Nickel - Janesville*

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**Jim & Patty Nickel** - May 29, 2020 at 10:31 AM

CD

*Thank you for your condolences.. Those ARE the best cookies 😊*

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**Christopher Durkee** - May 30, 2020 at 02:08 AM

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Christopher Durkee - May 28, 2020 at 05:58 PM

CD

1955

Christopher Durkee - May 28, 2020 at 08:35 PM

GO

“ Awww, Uncle Ken

*I loved all of your stories. I loved how you made the hula girls dance on your muscles.. I loved when you knew I was old enough to make you a martini in Uncle Paul and Aunt Carol's downstairs.. And most of all, I loved you calling me Goldie. I even saw it in your eyes when I saw you last.. Thank you for everything Uncle Ken. I promise to love your family forever and make sure you're at the gates when I get there...XOXO*

Goldie - May 28, 2020 at 05:29 PM

JS

*This is Julie Burns Strain*

Julie Strain - May 28, 2020 at 05:36 PM

CD

*Thanks so much Goldie. Love you ❤️*

Christopher Durkee - May 28, 2020 at 05:37 PM

LB

“ Lisa Brom purchased the Mrs. Fields Nibblers® Sympathy Basket for the family of Kenneth L. Durkee.



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**Lisa Brom** - May 28, 2020 at 03:12 PM

CD

“ See you on the other side Dad. Love you❤️

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**Christopher Durkee** - May 28, 2020 at 01:35 PM

SH

“ We know you are up in heaven Now and at peace. You were a great brother-in-law and will be missed at our family gatherings. Our deepest sympathy to my sister, Margaret and to Vicky, Tom, Kim and Chris. Love you all.

*Aunt Susan and Uncle Jerry*

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**Susan Heyerdshl** - May 28, 2020 at 01:31 PM

CD

Love you too. ❤️

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**Christopher Durkee** - May 28, 2020 at 01:49 PM

LB

*Dear Aunt Margaret, Vicky, Tom, Kim and Chris, My heart goes out to you at this time. I have such fond memories of Uncle Ken. The way you loved him and were there for him every step of the way, is so beautiful. Sending you my heartfelt sympathy and my love.*

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**Lisa Brom** - May 28, 2020 at 02:55 PM

CD

*Thanks so much Lisa. Love to you. ❤️*

**Christopher Durkee** - May 28, 2020 at 03:37 PM

AH

*Aunt Margaret, Vicky, Tom, Kim and Chris words can not express my sympathy for you. I remember all the card games in the garages at the parties! He is at peace now! Love to you all!*

**Anne Hill** - May 28, 2020 at 05:01 PM

CD

*Thanks Anne. That means a lot. I remember those card games too!*

**Christopher Durkee** - May 28, 2020 at 05:19 PM

SB

*I was a little girl, maybe 10, when Uncle Ken came to stay with us for a few days in California. He made the hula girls on his muscles dance for me and I was so happy to see him with my Dad who was his wife's brother, and my Mom, sitting at the table laughing and drinking, telling stories and playing cards. Although he was in Wisconsin and we were in California, we warmly welcomed our reunions when we could. My last favorite memory was when he and Margaret drove their motor home to California and my brother Bo and I met them a couple times for visits and meals. I love you Margaret and send love to you and cousins Vicky, Tom, Kim and Chris. Love you, Sandy Brady*

**Sandy Brady** - May 28, 2020 at 10:57 PM

CD

*Thank you Sandy. Love to you also. ❤️*

**Christopher Durkee** - May 28, 2020 at 11:17 PM

CD

*Julie said the same thing about the hula girl dancing. 😊*

**Christopher Durkee** - May 30, 2020 at 02:03 AM