



## Kenneth William King

April 7, 1942 - November 11, 2023

PFC Kenneth William King, 81, joined Jesus in eternal glory on November 11, 2023.

Ken was born on April 7, 1942 to the late Cresswell & Lydia (Harding) King in Bluff City, TN.

Ken was married to his soul mate, Merline, for 39 years. Ken & Merline were known for their love of traveling; it was their gypsy souls that led them to pack up and move to various states, with Michigan always being 'home' base. Ken had a very special bond with his fur babies over the years, more recently, Benjamin (Benny).

Ken enjoyed bowling, he and Merline bowled in a league for fun and in the spirit of competition. Ken also enjoyed a good round of golf. Ken was proficient in putting puzzles together, and often, once he started one, he would commit until it was complete.

Ken served in the United States Army from December 1959 - December 1962, PFC E3. Ken will be remembered by friends and family as a smart, civilized, productive member of society who served his due diligence to his country.

Ken was preceded in death by his daughter, Tammy Covell; step-daughter,

Lori Reeves; step-son, Ronnie Pate; grandson, Cody Blue; sister, Geneva Irene Greaver-Birchfield; brother, Robert King.

Ken is survived by his beloved, Merline; fur-baby, Benny; step-daughter, Denise (Bill) Padoll of PA; step-son, Jay Pate of TX; nephew, Robert (Sheila) Greaver of TX, niece, Shannon (Matt) Allen of MI; niece, Leanna (Junior) Perales of MI; niece, Carolyn (Mark) Gerken-Moyer of TX; niece, Darla Kamerling of MI; nephew, Andrew (Karen) Greaver of WV, his grandchildren, great grandchildren, and extended family & friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Ken's memory to the Kalkaska Animal Shelter (or any animal shelter that's close to your location).

Arrangements provided by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.