



## Kenneth E. Nason

February 9, 1925 - April 6, 2011

Kenneth E. Nason, age 86, a resident of Royal Oak, died April 6, 2011 at Waltonwood of Royal Oak. He was born February 9, 1925 in Detroit. Mr. Nason was a graduate of Highland Park High School. He served in the U.S. Air Force during World War II in the South Pacific. He retired from Merchandising Directors, Inc. in Detroit. He is survived by his children, Pamela Wolfe, Kimberly Middlewood and Scott Nason; five grandchildren; and three great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Patricia M. McKay Nason, on June 30, 2008; the couple married January 8, 1949 at St. Benedict Catholic Church in Highland Park; son, Daniel Nason 1985; sisters, Ann Totten, Idella Hoffman and Debra Nason; and brothers, Richard Nason, Irving Nason and Burton Nason. A memorial mass will be held at a later date. Inurnment will take place at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield. Memorials to the Disabled American Veterans DAV appreciated. Arrangements by Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, 248-541-7000. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Tribute Wall

JF

“ Dear Pam and Family, Learning of your dear Dad's death upon my return from Florida, please know you are in my thoughts, heart and prayers. Knowing how lovingly you share life... wishing you great comfort in nurturing memories. Love and Hugs, Jill

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**Jill Farrell** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ I will always remember Uncle Ken as the best man I have ever known, truly someone to emulate. He served in the South Pacific with my father during World War II. He introduced my father to my mother his sister Debe so I have him to thank for my existence and the existence of my extended family. Uncle Ken always gave of himself not wanting or expecting a return. He only wanted to be there for them in their time of need. A cheerful and sincere smile always graced his face. He was not a saint but was the best man he could be and the best man I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. He will be truly missed but his gift and love for his fellow man lives on in his children, a worthy legacy passed on to continue blessing those in need. A fond farewell to a very much loved uncle.

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**Bruce Totten** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Ken allowed us to assist him with a few chores around his home from time to time and in these past few years, we had the pleasure to be blessed with both Pat and Ken's kindness and generosity. Ken's can do spirit, his wonderful sense of humor and easy way with people always made us feel welcome. We are thankful to be called his friend. Dale & Deb Burr

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**Dale J. Burr** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ Ken - I already miss that beautiful pompadour. But for you to now be reunited with Pat is a comfort to me. My sincerest condolences to your children and grandchildren. I know how much they will miss you. Gwen

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**Gwen Ross** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ Pam and Mark Im so sorry for your loss. Some people touch your heart and leave you with happiness and joy every time you think of them. That was Mr Nason for me. -Brandy Trigg-

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**Brandy Trigg** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ His smiling face, his great sense of humor, his unprecedented love of my children, his unconditional love and pride for his family, his ability to make you feel truly special. These were but a few of Ken Nasons gifts that he shared with those that had the privilege of knowing him. He was a great husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, father-in-law, and friend. He was a proud member of Americas Greatest Generation who sacrificed unselfishly for the freedom of others so that they could live their lives as they saw fit. He will truly be missed because his forever young attitude was contagious and made us all feel better after seeing him. In the end we can take nothing with us, all we can hope to do is leave something special behind in the hearts of those that knew us. Few will ever achieve the success that Ken had in doing just that.

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**Ted Reyman** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ Dear Friends, I will always remember your Dad's smiling face and eagerness to be of good cheer! He is totally in Heavenly Peace beside his bride, Pat. Each conversation recently with him was about the love of his life! Until we meet again, Love, Art & Mary Jo Cairo

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**Art & Mary Jo Cairo** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ He will raise him up on Eagles wings. Thank you for serving our country.. Peace be with you.

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**Theresa Morrison** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Dear Pam, Mark and family: I was truly saddened to hear of your father's death while I'm here in Florida. He was always very cordial and gentlemanly whenever our paths crossed. I didn't realize until now that we shared the same day for our birthdays. Rarely do I come across any couple more devoted to their family than you and Mark have been to both of your sets of parents. The last few years have been very difficult as we watched our respective parents' health decline; however, I take comfort in knowing that they are all in a much better place and that their suffering has ended. We are all left with wonderful and happy memories of days gone by. May you treasure those memories always. Love to you all, Elizabeth

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**Elizabeth Wolfe** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Pam, I have many fond memories of your Dad when we were children & you lived on Eason and in your former home in H.P. Like how tolerant & patient he was of us jumping off sofas & chairs to the sound of the new group "The Beatles" or of me being in the backseat while he taught you how to drive before our teens and him always being there and coaching you to iceskate better on Ford Park's pond. He was an awesome father & friend and will always be remembered lovingly. God Bless him and you and all of your family especially during this time.

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**Kathy Hill Banchemo** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ As a good friend of his daughter, Kimberly, I got to know the finest qualities of Mr Nason, and what a wonderful and fine man he was. The world will be a lesser place for his loss. My thoughts and sympathy are with the whole family, in particular, Kimberly at this trying time. May your faith keep you strong and comfort you.

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**Mandy Clarke** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Even though we never met, I know you were very well loved by your family. I am praying peace, healing, and comfort for them in this time of loss. You will be greatly missed, but home on high with your beloved.

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**Robin Bobo** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ Kim and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I know how close you were to your father, especially since your mother passed. He will finally be at peace and with her again. Be Strong! I love you...

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**Patrea Phipps** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ I never got the privilege to meet Mr. Nason, only heard his daughter, Kimberly, talk about him. So, with that being said I would like to say that I'm sure he was A LOT like his daughter...sweet, caring, kind-hearted, and loving. Mr. Nason, I wish I had the privilege to meet you, but I guess there was a reason I never got too, because you already knew what a wonderful daughter you and Mrs. Nason had raised. I also hope that your journey here on earth was all that it could be and then some. I know as well you knew that your place here on earth was just your 'temporary home' for now you are home with 'our heavenly father', and when my time comes and I get to 'travel' home I hope and pray that you will greet me along with my loved ones at the pearly gates. Mr. Nason, may you rest in peace... today, tomorrow, and forever eternity. Amen!

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**Justin Ogden** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ I only had the pleasure of meeting Ken one time, but he was a very important part of my children's lives. They loved him dearly. My thoughts and prayers go out to those that were close to him.

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**Sue Middlewood** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ So very sorry for your loss. Thinking of you. Irving's daughter, Phyllis.

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**Phyllis Majerus** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ My memories of Kenny were mostly through work. I remember the war stories and how proud he was of serving in the service. Kenny could never stay long at the shop, but boy he could get a LOT of talking done in those minutes. I always remember the phone calls that I answered saying how happy he was that Pam and Mark were taking care of him. We lost a good friend and your memory will live forever. Rest in peace. Doug & Julie Lukas and Family

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**Doug & Julie Lukas** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ Sometimes people enter our lives for just a short time, yet leave a wonderful, lasting impression in our hearts. I met Ken and his daughter Pam last September, and will never forget the instant rapport I felt for both of them. As Ken's housekeeper, I was constantly amazed at his levels of energy. He always left to go walking at the mall, and on the rare mornings that bad weather kept him inside, he had a young-at-heart energy - talking, walking around, sometimes getting in my way, so I'd have to order him back to his chair, which he'd stay in for all of five minutes before getting up and pestering me again! We had fun joking around, many laughs, and he was the youngest "near-ninety" I'll ever know! He never showed any self-pity, never whined or complained, always asking instead about my own well-being. I couldn't have asked for a nicer person, including his family, to work for...and will always remember him for his courage, energy and strength; truly an inspiration.

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**Betsy Sontag** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ I will always remember the greatest softball grounds keeper in Michigan. When Ken got done smoothing the dirt and chalking the infield at Hacket field, it was the best infield I ever played on. Tom and Tim will always remember the play set Ken got for them. We put it in the Eason back yard. I still have a scare on my heel 5 stitches helping Ken carry that play set.

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**Tom Wolfe** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ Scott & Kathy, You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, The Albrights

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**Barb Albright** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ What can I say about the best Grandpa a girl could ask for...His kind, fun-loving spirit and wonderful love of life will live on. He left a wonderful legacy of memories, tons of laughs, songs & tears. Your finally with Grandma again Gramps...Kiss her for me, I miss her so. I will miss everything about you, everyday of my life. I love you and your gorgeous hairdo! I wish you could have stayed with me forever. "Thanks for the memories until we meet again."

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**Kelly Reyman** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with each one of you. May God bless you and nourish you with strength, courage and grace during this sad time. Ed, Kathy, Olivia, Claire, Evan & Hannah DeCiantis

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**Kathy DeCiantis** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ We'll miss Ken! Though we only had known him for a short time, we enjoyed those occasions when he was able to join us and we with him. We found him to be a friend and welcome part of the family. He is especially to be honored for his service to our country in World War II. The trip last summer with Ken, our son Mark and wife, Kimberly, to the Willow Run Airport airshow which featured several B-17 bombers was an especially memorable one; watching Ken get into every single one of those bombers to which entry was allowed, and then taking up his WWII position as waist gunner. Especially memorable were the photographs taken and autographs he signed for the kids who admired "the guy who really flew combat in a B-17 in World War II." It sure helped make his day! In our minds, Ken is at Peace and will be welcomed Home by his many buddies, friends and family members that preceded him. Darrel and Joanne Middlewood

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**Darrel and Joanne Middlewood** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM