



## Herbert Kenneth Petersen

February 8, 1943 - September 2, 2025

Herbert Kenneth Petersen, 82, passed away on Tuesday, September 2, 2025 in Green Oaks, IL. He was born February 8, 1943 in Chicago, IL and was a former 45 year resident of Wilmette, IL, living in Green Oaks for the past 4 years. Ken attended Lewis University and Northern University, where he received his master's degree in business and went on to teach business classes at Zion-Benton High School for two years.

Ken was also a dedicated entrepreneur. Continuing the legacy started by his parents, he owned and operated Petersen Lund Paint Co. in Chicago, as well as Larsen & Petersen Paint Co. with his brother Lyle in Waukegan and Libertyville, for over 50 years.

Ken will be remembered as a devoted husband, father, grandfather and friend whose warmth, generosity, and unwavering commitment to those he loved left a lasting impact on all who knew him. Above all, Ken cherished the time he spent with his family and friends. Whether boating or snowmobiling at Powers Lake and Mauston, Wisconsin, or traveling to his beloved timeshare properties in Mexico, Ken found joy in creating lasting memories. Though he is no longer with us, Ken's legacy lives on in the hearts of those he touched. His memory reminds us to live fully, love deeply, and cherish the time we have with one another.

Surviving are his 4 children, Julie (Ron) Hehn, Susan (John) Witherspoon, Amy Petersen and Maj. Bradley (SSgt Corey) Petersen, USMC Ret; 5 grandchildren, Tyler, Emily, Carson, Kylie & Isabella and by a sister, Judy (Dr.

Leon) Hubrich. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Petersen on March 3, 2021. his parents, Herbert, and Lottie (Ciesla) Petersen; and brother, Lyle.

A visitation will begin at 4:00 p.m. followed by a service at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. in Libertyville. A private interment service will be at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to Achilles International. For info: 847-362-3009 or share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **10**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
120 West Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048  
(847) 362-3009

## Memorial Service

SEP **10**. 7:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Herbert Kenneth Petersen.

September 10, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Herbert Kenneth Petersen.



September 10, 2025 at 02:40 PM



“ *Fruscione family* purchased the *Emerald Garden Basket* for the family of Herbert Kenneth Petersen.



**Fruscione family** - September 09, 2025 at 05:22 PM



“ *Dear Family...we are so sorry to hear about Ken. We knew him from business, but then became social friends as well. Our thoughts are with you.*

*David and Suzie Shoub*

**David Shoub** - September 08, 2025 at 08:26 PM

EP

“ Ken Petersen was my dear brother-in-law. He was Lyle’s big brother and always took care of him as they grew up. I enjoyed our family times at our lake house as we enjoyed Nonne and Poppy Petersen with all 12 grandchildren. Ken, Lee, and Lyle manned the grill. Mary, Judy, and me manned the kitchen and we all manned Poppy’s bar. I love Ken and send my love to his beautiful family. Aunt Ellen

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Ellen Petersen - September 07, 2025 at 06:50 PM

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“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



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ann segovia - September 07, 2025 at 05:42 PM

JH

“ Ken was a wonderful brother, and he made me laugh. I remember a story when he was going to be punished and he ran down the block, with our mother in hot pursuit and gaining on him, even though she wore heels. She eventually caught up with him and he got what was coming to him. Everyone was dying laughing when he told his stories. We will all miss him. My condolences to the whole family. I wish I could be there.

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Judy Petersen Hubrich - September 07, 2025 at 05:27 PM

JH

“ *Judy Petersen Hubrich lit a candle in memory of Herbert Kenneth Petersen*



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**Judy Petersen Hubrich** - September 07, 2025 at 05:12 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Herbert Kenneth Petersen.

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September 07, 2025 at 01:22 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Herbert Kenneth Petersen.*



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September 07, 2025 at 01:22 PM

AS

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the entire family for your loss. Uncle Ken was an amazing storyteller, and I will miss how he could always make me laugh. It won't be the same without him. I wish I could be there for the services next Wednesday, but I will be thinking about all of you and sending you my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Ann Segovia** - September 06, 2025 at 04:26 PM

HC

“ *Hollie and Bill Cuker purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Herbert Kenneth Petersen.*



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**Hollie and Bill Cuker** - September 06, 2025 at 04:05 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Herbert Kenneth Petersen.*



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September 06, 2025 at 01:44 PM



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September 06, 2025 at 11:23 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Herbert Kenneth Petersen.*



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September 06, 2025 at 11:23 AM