



## Mr. Kenneth F. Kresmery

December 23, 1933 - November 1, 2015

Kenneth F. Kresmery

Dear companion of Quinn Seligmann, loving father of Marc (Candace), Kurt and Eric. Devoted son of the late Ferdinand and Estelle. Cherished grandfather of 8. Great grandfather of 15. Dear brother of the late Karl. Endearing one to Joseph (Ilene), Paul (Leslie), and Harold Jr.

Ken was in the Army in the Korean War, stationed in Germany where he worked on portable radar systems that guided howitzers. After being discharged, he wanted to become a commercial pilot, but his corrected eyesight kept him from realizing that dream. However, not to be deterred, he and a buddy went in on a WWII PT22 airplane like Harrison Ford's and learned how to fly. He bought several other planes during his lifetime, housing them at Poplar Grove Airport. He was also an active member of the EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) Chapters 1414 and 790.

Ken also loved to collect and share the many vintage cars he collected over the years. As such, he was a member of many car clubs including the T-Bird, Lincoln, Rolls Royce, Model A, and the Metropolitan clubs. He also owned a MASH jeep and a Sprint racecar. In his "spare time," he enjoyed fishing and was an avid reader.

As an entrepreneur, he dabbled in many different businesses. He owned the Elgin Adjustment Bureau (a collection agency) which had seven offices around the area; he owned and managed several apartment buildings in Elgin; he owned and managed the biggest rock and roll club in the area in the late 1970's and 80's called the Grocery Store Club and Warehouse Bar in Elgin; he built the Kennington Square Townhomes in Elgin, and was the original owner and publisher of the first Hispanic newspaper in the Fox Valley, Reflejos. Right up to the end, Ken never slowed down. He continued to own and manage many insurance and money-transfer offices in Elgin and was planning on expanding them to other locations.

His family and friends were the center of his life and he loved nothing better than sharing a good meal, some cocktails and being surrounded by those he loved and cared about. He loved sharing stories about his life and the latest adventure he was planning. He was gruff, yet tender; extravagant yet frugal. Ken Kresmery made a difference in our Elgin community. He was loved and will be missed.

Visitation Friday, November 13, 2015 from 3:00 to 9:00 P.M. at Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169; Family and friends are asked to gather at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, 410 North First Street, Cary, IL 60013 for 10:30 A.M. Mass on Saturday, November 14, 2015. Graveside services at St. John Nepomucene Cemetery, Fox River Grove, Illinois.

Ken loved aviation, so in lieu of flowers, the family requests that you donate to the EAA Chapter 1414 Endowment Fund 5151 Orth Rd., Box 14 Poplar Grove, IL 61065 or a charity/organization of your choice.

This Life Tributes page has been created to make it easy for Family and

Friends to share memories, photos and videos.

For further information please contact the Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847.752.6444. Arrangements entrusted to Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169.

# Cemetery Details

## St. John Nepomucene Cemetery in Algonquin

615 North River Road  
Algonquin, IL 60102  
(847) 658-4490  
<http://www.barringtonarealibrary.org/local-history/638.st-john-nep.html>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 13. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Morizzo Family Funeral Home, Cremation Services, and Cemetery Memorials  
2550 Hassell Road  
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169  
(847) 752-6444  
[ross@morizzofuneralhome.com](mailto:ross@morizzofuneralhome.com)  
<https://www.morizzofuneralhome.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 14. 10:30 AM (CT)

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Cary  
410 North First Street  
Cary, IL 60013  
(847) 516-2636  
<http://peterpaulchurchcary.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Kenneth F. Kresmery*

November 04, 2022 at 06:54 PM



“ *Everything about my grandfather was larger than life the thought of him gone is unreal like how could it happen to that guy.-AK*

**Armando kresmery** - August 15, 2016 at 10:44 PM



“ *Karen Bentele purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mr. Kenneth F. Kresmery.*



**Karen Bentele** - November 12, 2015 at 03:48 PM



“ *All of us at the Joseph D. Foreman & Company purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. Kenneth F. Kresmery.*



**All of us at the Joseph D. Foreman & Company** - November 11, 2015 at 05:13 PM

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“ *Sincerly Fran purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Mr. Kenneth F. Kresmery.*



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**Sincerly Fran** - November 09, 2015 at 02:45 PM

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“ *Offering our deepest condolences during this difficult time.*



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**Staff at Morizzo Funeral Home** - November 09, 2015 at 09:47 AM