



Cianain "Ken" Rickard

November 22, 1934 - January 27, 2023

Cianain "Ken" Rickard passed away on Friday, January 27, 2023 surrounded by his family. Known for his Irish charm and devotion to his family, Ken was born on November 22, 1934 in Bellewstown, Co. Meath, Ireland to Jack and Anne (Flood) Rickard. Ken moved to the US with his future bride Johanna "Joan" (O'Brien) of Co. Kerry, Ireland, and they raised 7 loving children; Julia (Mike) Staisiunas, Sean (Margaret Ryndak) (late Diane) Rickard, the late Keenan Rickard (Chris [Steve Daily]), Donna (Dave) Hornik, Paul (Mary) Rickard, Joan (Roger) Fox, and the late Nancy Rickard. He loved and cherished his grandchildren, Brian, Eric (Stephanie Blood), and Kevin (Corwin Thompson) Staisiunas, Matt Rickard (Emily Ellis), Patrick Ryndak, Kaitlin and Bridgette Rickard (Tony Gust), Delia (Marcus Nuccio) and Diana Hornik, Madeline and Kathleen Rickard, Jean-Paul (Romina) Houed, and great grandchildren, Syllis, Kayden, and Graysen Staisiunas, Christopher and Haley Ramos, and Connor and Ryan Gust, as well as 11 brothers and sisters and many nieces and nephews. Loved ones may gather for visitation Tuesday January 31, from 4 to 8 pm, at Foran Funeral Home, 7300 W. Archer Ave. [55th Street just west of Harlem]. Visitation Wednesday at the funeral home from 8:30 am until time of prayers at 9:30 am. We will go in procession from the funeral home to Two Holy Martyrs Parish, St. Symphorosa Church, 6135 S. Austin Ave., Chicago, at 10:00 am. Interment Resurrection Cemetery, Justice. In lieu of flowers, consider donations to www.gardencenterservices.org. Please offer your thoughts and condolences to Cianain's "Ken" family on his

personal tribute website, www.foranfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Foran Funeral Home - Summit
7300 West Archer Ave
Summit, IL 60501
(708) 458-0208
contactus@foranfuneralhome.com
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Visitation

FEB 1. 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM (CT)

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Prayers

FEB 1. 9:30 AM (CT)

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Mass

FEB 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

Two Holy Martyrs Parish - St. Symphorosa Church
6135 South Austin Avenue
Chicago, IL 60638

Tribute Wall



“ Foran Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Cianain "Ken" Rickard



Foran Funeral Home - January 31, 2023 at 02:05 PM

PL

“ Great neighbors. Too much time has passed. Your family remains in my prayers. Give your mother a big hug from me. Peace. PJ Lavelle

Patrick J Lavelle - March 15, 2024 at 12:46 PM

RA

“ 14 files added to the tribute wall



Rachel - February 01, 2023 at 07:41 PM

SF

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Stacey Faire - February 01, 2023 at 06:31 PM

“ My Brother Ken & Our Uncle Ken

It's fair to say that when I think of my brother Ken, I remember a secret twinkle in his bright blue eyes and that cheeky delightful smile. I don't think we will forget his lovely Irish eyes.

Since the start of our travels, in 1969, right through to our recent trip in 2019, Ken and Joan have always welcomed us with enthusiastic open arms and lots of laughter. In 1994 we loved returning the favour when Ken and Joan join us at our 25th wedding anniversary in New Zealand. It was a delight to introduce Ken as my very very much older brother to my kiwi friends, which generated quite a chuckle from Ken.

During this stay Ken kicked into Uncle Ken mode - he took the chance to teach his nieces wise insights and advice during this time – such as like how to place bets at the bookies, that learning to drive a stick shift was great, especially when you can drive your favourite Uncle around and helpfully who not to date - referring to a suitor as “what a prick”! Wise words big brother, that fella was ditched pretty quickly.

Family reunions have always been a priority for the Chicago Rickard clan, and many have included trips “home” to reconnect with our brothers and sisters. Stacey has fond memories of Uncle Ken in his peak cap walking up to the church to go Michelle and Charlies wedding. However, once he was in the church with his brothers the games begun. Ken, Noel, Tony, and Christie all proceeded to play up and try and make Stacey laugh in the church, with taps on the shoulder and slight nudges to feet in the front pew. I can't quite believe it, but I am sure that Ken is reunited with his brothers Tony, Christie, Sean and Noel and they all are causing quite the high jinks! They probably have our bossy older sister Kay shouting at them to be quiet and Margaret egging them on.

Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you all and we

acknowledge that Ken and Joan have raised a lovely caring family with the strongest of values, which we hope will help you all through this sad time.

Love from Mary, Tony, Rachel & Stacey (+ their Kiwi tribe)

Stacey Faire - February 01, 2023 at 06:01 PM

JR

“ *The first time I remember meeting uncle Keenan he stuck my Dad's tax disc back onto to windshield with a Candy bar, I striaght away thought he was the coolest uncle ever, not because of the genius move but because he called Chocolate, 'Candy ' I Also remember running to find him when Oliver John broke his leg and he carried him back down to Aunty Nancy's house. Many fond memories of our lovely uncle. Rest in peace Uncle Ken. Sending good oul Irish love to all the family xxx From Jackie, Richie, Lauren and Adam.*

Jackie Rickard - February 01, 2023 at 04:49 PM

EF

“ *Because of my long-lasting and profound friendship with Donna and my most enjoyable interactions with Joan over the last few years, I assumed Cianain had to be a very special man, but having had the recent pleasure of meeting him confirmed my expectation. I was thoroughly charmed by his wit and warmth, and hope his memory will be a blessing to all of those whose life he so clearly touched. All my love and prayers, Elizabeth Kaufman Fox*

Elizabeth Fox - January 31, 2023 at 11:13 AM

TM

My beautifull uncle cianain was a joy and pleasure to be in the company of at any time. To have him as a family member was a true blessing.

Tilly murphy - February 01, 2023 at 02:44 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Cianain "Ken" Rickard.



January 29, 2023 at 07:54 PM



“ I have so much love for Cianan (Ken) Rickard and my American family, my thoughts and prayers are with you all, love from Delia & Ray Smith

Delia Smith - January 29, 2023 at 03:03 PM



“ Thinking of you all during this time. We will miss Uncle Ken, such a great man with a fantastic sense of humour and always smiling. Have great memories of him. Lots of love to you all. From Sylvia, Mark Cameron & Kiera. xxxx

Sylvia Smith - January 29, 2023 at 02:01 PM



“ Sylvia Smith lit a candle in memory of Cianain "Ken" Rickard



Sylvia Smith - January 29, 2023 at 02:00 PM

 Sylvia
Smith

“ *from Nancy. Always in my thoughts and on my mind. Have so many fond memories of Ken. May you Rest in Peace. Sending love and strength to all family during this difficult time.*

Sylvia Smith - January 29, 2023 at 01:57 PM

MD

“ *I have very fond memories of the times Ken & family came 'home' to visit. Always remember him smiling, laughing and simply enjoying the craic. Rest in peace and eternal life with those loved ones who went before you x*

Michelle Dinneen - January 29, 2023 at 12:43 PM

DN

“ *Debbie Nunez lit a candle in memory of Cianain "Ken" Rickard*



Debbie Nunez - January 29, 2023 at 10:35 AM