



## Kenneth A. "Ken" Stathes Jr.

May 8, 1940 - February 2, 2013

Mr. Kenneth A. "Ken" Stathes, Jr., age 72, of New Hartford, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, February 2, 2013 at the Faxon-St. Luke's Healthcare Center with the love and support of his family by his side.

Born in Utica on May 8, 1940, Ken was the son of the late Kenneth, Sr. and Lee (DeCarlo) Stathes. Raised and educated locally, he attended Utica Free Academy.

Ken worked as a Line Supervisor for the Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation for many years. An all-around perfectionist, Ken possessed a wide range of knowledge which transferred to his meticulous work as a handyman and craftsman. He enjoyed woodworking, masonry, and tree work. Ken had a great sense of humor and enjoyed living life to its fullest.

Ken is survived by his loving companion of 23 years, Marie LaTour; son and daughter-in-law, Jeff and Delane Stathes of SC; daughter, Debbie Yager of N. Utica; and son Gregg Stathes of GA; grandchildren, Shawn, Erica, and Michelle Yager; Taylor Stathes, Dustin Smith, and Lauren Stathes. He also leaves his brothers and sisters-in-law, Bill and Jo Stathes of Whitesboro, NY, Rick and Marie Stathes of Pittsford, NY, and Marie's children Kathleen Portelli, and Joseph and Danielle Portelli of VA; many nieces and nephews including Michael and Hedy Stathes, Joe and Lynn Latella, Gary and Becky Jones, and Mike and Kristy Garcia; great-nieces and nephews, cousins, and in-laws Charlene and Jim Higgins of Oneonta, and Jim Lull of Gilbertsville. He was predeceased by Marie's sister Sis Lull.

The family extends heartfelt appreciation to the staff of the Edwards Ambulance Service and the New Hartford Police Department for their quick response and the Faxton-St. Luke's Health Care Center Emergency Department for their professional efforts.

The family will honor and commemorate Ken's life in a memorial gathering which will be held on Saturday afternoon from 1-2 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Ken's memorial service will take place on Saturday at 2:00 at the funeral home immediately upon the conclusion of the gathering. Those wishing to express an act of kindness in lieu of flowers may make a donation to the American Heart Association; envelopes will be available at the funeral home or can be mailed to 120 Lomond Court, Utica, NY 13502.

# Previous Events

## Service

FEB 9. 1:00 PM (ET)

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## Visitation

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# Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kenneth A. "Ken" Stathes Jr.



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - February 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PB

“ To The Stathes Family,  
We are so very sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.  
Phil and Natalie Beratta



Philip and Natalie Beratta - February 17, 2013 at 10:31 AM

SC

“ When we see the Sedgewick Park sign we think of Ken. He put it up - replacing our old one. Always making things better.

Late one night our power went out - Ken and his crew from NM responded. It was comforting to see him - our neighbor - who fixed the problem in no time.

Our kids grew up together on our circle - many nice memories.

Sandra & Tony Cotrupe



sandra cotrupe - February 10, 2013 at 07:52 AM

RB

“ Rick, Bill, Marie , Debbie & The Stathes Family, I am so sorry to hear about Ken :( I remember all the good times with Sharon & Lydia & your family & the laughs ! Ken was a joy to be around & always made me feel as if I was familia too :) He will be truly missed. Love  
Rosanne Bravo



Rosanne Bravo - February 09, 2013 at 09:02 AM

MS

“ In 1977 I moved to Sedgewick Park,our first house, with my wife Kathy. Ken was always there for anyone with a helping hand if needed. One day Ken helped me take down a dead tree in the corner of my lot. He cut and I assisted on the "pull rope". As the tree finally gave way I lost purchase and my balance and went sliding down my hill backwards 20 feet just missing a sharp metal pole stopping a foot from stream there. He laughed so hard he fell over in hysterical laughter. We both mowed the circle together for many years until the town thankfully took over. Although now,it seems, I will miss seeing him out there. He helped many neighbors with their projects with great skill and pride always. I will miss seeing you walk in and out of the woods to Valley View. I will always think of you with a smile and you know that,s a good thing. RIP Ken.... Marsh Stewart

Marshall Stewart - February 08, 2013 at 03:11 PM

DF

“ Dave & Jan Frank lit a candle in memory of Kenneth A. "Ken" Stathes Jr.



Dave & Jan Frank - February 07, 2013 at 07:40 AM

LD

“ Laurie, Doug And Amanda DeCarlo lit a candle in memory of Kenneth A. "Ken" Stathes Jr.



Laurie, Doug and Amanda DeCarlo - February 06, 2013 at 07:31 PM

PM

“ Paul Mangano lit a candle in memory of Kenneth A. "Ken" Stathes Jr.



Paul Mangano - February 05, 2013 at 01:20 PM

RF

“ Dearest Rick, Bill, Marie, Debbie, Jeff, Craig & family, We are so saddened to hear of Kennys passing. He certainly was a wonderful man & will be missed. You are all in our thoughts & prayers. RIP Kenny . Love, Rosemary, Charlie, Ryan & Craig (Fischer & Northrup families)

Rosemary Fischer-Northrup - February 04, 2013 at 10:43 AM

SC

“ To Bill, Rick, Marie and the Stathes family, my heart goes out to all of you . I was shocked, and saddened to hear of my dear cousin's passing. Ken was a loving, gentle man, with a wonderful sense of humor. My mother loved him very much. She looked forward to his visits to her apartment, and later to St. Joe's nursing home. They shared jokes together, and loved seeing him. He will always hold a special place in my heart. A wonderful brother, cousin, and most of all father. We all grew up together , our family was so close. My brothers and I will always remember his love , and he will be sadly missed.. Thinking of you all during the time of sadness, all our love Sharon, Pat, David, and Roland Campola

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**sharon lee campola** - February 04, 2013 at 05:02 AM

DJ

“ What can I say! My Friend, Kenny, R.I.P. my dear friend.I have so many fond memories of my days spent with Ken at work at NMPC. An outstanding Lineman was Ken, and I am so proud that Ken included me as one of his friends. His work was outstanding, and always first class in all he did. Ken set the bar very high, and few of us were able to duplicate his work and ethics. We cut lots of trees together too, and enjoyed a cold beer at the end of our workday. Today, I toasted my friend with a beer as I recalled our times together. To Ken's family- My deepest condolences. Love, Dick Jordan.



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**Dick Jordan** - February 03, 2013 at 07:44 PM