



Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney

November 13, 1971 - November 20, 2020

Harry Junior Kenney, of Newcomerstown, passed with his family by his side Friday, November 20, 2020 at Union Hospital, following a battle with coronavirus.

Born November 13, 1971, to Harry Arthur Kenney and Carole Yvonne Lawver, Harry was a 1990 graduate of Indian Valley High School and earned a bachelor's degree in Conservation of Natural Resources from The Ohio State University in 1995.

"Ham" or "Hammer" as so many knew him, was beloved by those who had the privilege to make his acquaintance. His warm smile and hearty laugh were staples of a vibrant attitude that made him a wonderful husband, father, friend and so much more. A truly one-of-a-kind man, Harry was known as an uncle, brother, and father well beyond his family ties. His influence stretched far beyond his home and place of work.

Harry spent his time working as a District Conservationist for the National Resources Conservation Service, earning his rank after his initial employment in 1999. He found the most happiness working on his family's farm, tending to cows that he called his "girls," keeping things running smoothly, and making hay with his father, brothers-in-law, and nephew.

Some of his other joys included yearly family vacations to the beaches along the Gulf of Mexico, attending Indian Valley football and West Virginia basketball games, playing basketball on Sunday nights with friends and family at local gyms, visiting long-time friend Bob Snyder, and spending evenings at home with his family. An active member of the Indian Valley Foundation and the Port Washington Masonic Lodge 202, Harry was integral in fostering growth in youth through scholarships. One of the best cheerleaders for multiple Indian Valley sports, Hammer was a key component to the sidelines at events throughout his years. A part of the Sons of the American Legion for the Thomas C. Montgomery American Legion Post 431, Harry enjoyed spending time with family and friends during breakfast and dinner there for many years.

Ham is survived by his wife of 26 years, Tracie, who he took care of through sickness and health, and his two daughters, Madison (Nick) McWilliams of Newcomerstown and Allison (Brandon) Anderson of Port Washington; his sisters, Donna (Brent) Peeper and Suzie (Jerry) Regula, both of Newcomerstown; his sister-in-law Beverly (Chris) Pearch and their children; mother-in-law Maryanna Long and father-in-law Marion Long; brother-in-law Adam Long and his companion Jacob Reeb. He will be greatly missed by numerous nieces and nephews, who were like his own children. Harry was also expected to be a grandfather soon, something he greatly looked forward to. He was preceded in death by his grandparents.

An active member of King's United Methodist, memorial contributions are asked to be made in his memory to the church at 5651 Kings Ridge Road, Newcomerstown, Ohio 43832. The family also requests contributions to be made to the Indian Valley Foundation at 100 North Walnut Street, P.O. Box 171, Gnadenhutten, Ohio.

Services will be held at the Indian Valley High School gymnasium on Wednesday, November 25, at 2 PM with visitation prior to the service from 11 AM to 2 PM. Burial will immediately follow the service at King's Church Cemetery. At this time, the six-foot rule and mask wearing will be required, with guests politely asked to pay their respects and to not congregate at either site.

Cemetery

Kings Church Cemetery
5651 Kings Ridge Road
Newcomerstown, OH, 43832

Events

NOV	Visitation	11:00AM - 02:00PM
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	Indian Valley High School Gymnasium	
	253 S Walnut St., Gnadenhutten, OH, US, 44629	

NOV	Funeral Service	02:00PM
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	Indian Valley High School Gymnasium	
	253 S Walnut St., Gnadenhutten, OH, US, 44629	

Comments



“ Angie Miller Johnson lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Angie Miller Johnson - December 04, 2020 at 02:39 PM



“ I went to school with Hammer. I remember a lot of funny things he said & did in school. He always had a great sense of humor and a smile on his face. This world surely lost a wonderful soul in Hammer! My deepest sympathies go out to his wife and children. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.



Michelle Fraelich - November 25, 2020 at 07:43 PM



“ Condolences to Harry's family. I had Harry and Tracie in school and was the guidance counselor for Harry's girls. My dad had Harry Sr. in school and always respected him and how he served our country. I can honestly say I never saw Ham without a smile or good word for anyone. He could light up a room, and I am sure he is lighting up Heaven right now. He was proud of his girls and he would want them to forward and be the lights to others as he was to those of us who were fortunate enough to know him. Gary Compton

Gary Compton - November 25, 2020 at 07:53 AM



“ Harry Junior "Hammer" is with Our good Lord now. His memory remains a bright light for us in this world. UNTIL THEN. With love.

Terry and Tammy Lee - November 24, 2020 at 10:31 PM



“ Terry And Tammy Lee lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Terry and Tammy Lee - November 24, 2020 at 10:24 PM



“ Terry and Tammy Lee purchased the Engraved Tree Tag for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



Terry and Tammy Lee - November 24, 2020 at 10:16 PM



“ To the Kenney family, I am incredibly sorry for your loss. Ham was one of the best. From spending much of our high school days sharing the same hallways to Ham being a super fan attending ballgames, his spirit was infectious. One could not help like and remember Ham for his big smile and personality. Ham was truly one of the really good guys. Your family remains in my thoughts and prayers during such a difficult time. God bless each of you.

Frank Polen - November 24, 2020 at 06:16 PM



“ you have my deepest sympathy. I worked with his dad at GE
Kenny Stein

Susan Stein - November 24, 2020 at 04:48 PM



“ To the family of “Ham”
It is with much sadness that we write you today.
Hammer was a fine man.
We are so sorry about his passing.
We pray that God will wrap His Loving, Comforting Hands around all of you and your family.
Please know that we are praying for All of you.
Jesus, please be with this family.
Amen
Mary and Dan Hughes

mary hughes - November 24, 2020 at 03:07 PM



“ Shannon Bud Gribble lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Shannon Bud Gribble - November 24, 2020 at 12:16 PM



“ Arminda Worthington lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Arminda Worthington - November 23, 2020 at 11:11 PM



“ - Kevin, Jacob, Summer, Ashley, Colin, Ed & Alexa purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



- Kevin, Jacob, Summer, Ashley, Colin, Ed & Alexa - November 23, 2020 at 11:06 PM



“ Abby Bennington lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Abby Bennington - November 23, 2020 at 09:53 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 23, 2020 at 09:28 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 23, 2020 at 09:01 PM



“ Harry& Carol you have my deepest sympathy . This is not how it is to be. We are not to burry our children , they are too burry us . I just went through this with my cousin Kathe Miner. When she lost her son Jon Johns to this horrid covid19 virus. And they are in their 80's .I will continue to pray for you and the rest of the family . Be strong in the Lord an old friend.
Beverly Berger .

Beverly S Berger - November 23, 2020 at 06:55 PM



“ Toby Waggoner lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Toby Waggoner - November 23, 2020 at 06:36 PM



“ My heart is overcome with your loss, Harry and Carole. He will be missed but memories will always remain for comfort. I remember the times at Kings Church when he was just a little guy... We remained friends over the years. We would see each other from time to time and seemed like we never parted ways. His kindness and friendship was a testament of his upbringing. I love you all and send my deepest condolences.



Brenda Russell-Fox - November 23, 2020 at 05:19 PM



“ Barbara Gribble lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



barbara gribble - November 23, 2020 at 02:50 PM



“ Flickinger Piping Family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



Flickinger Piping Family - November 23, 2020 at 02:50 PM



“ Divine Light was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 23, 2020 at 02:33 PM



“ Glenda Ward lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Glenda Ward - November 23, 2020 at 01:02 PM



“ Jane Miller lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Jane Miller - November 23, 2020 at 11:01 AM



“ When Harry walked into a room everyone started smiling. What a great guy. he will be deeply missed at IV Foundation meetings!

Jane - November 23, 2020 at 11:03 AM



“ Living Life Memorial Framed Art was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 23, 2020 at 10:39 AM



“ Jim And Connie Ruby lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Jim and Connie Ruby - November 23, 2020 at 08:38 AM



“ Our conservation family mourns as all of you do. Thank you for sharing Harry with all of us and allowing him to brighten our days. Our prayers are with all of you. Chad Amos

Chad Amos - November 23, 2020 at 08:36 AM



“ Harry was a beam of smiles. When our paths crossed at work in north Ohio he always gave me a moment to talk with and laugh. Praying for love and comfort for his family and friends.

Jenny Dalton - November 23, 2020 at 08:27 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family at this difficult time. He was a great kid and caring man. Words simply can not express our sympathy. Joe & Darlene Pena .



Joe & Darlene Pena - November 23, 2020 at 08:01 AM



“ Harry and family: So sorry to hear about this. The only thing I'm sure of is that he was loved by you all.

Ray Booth - November 23, 2020 at 07:56 AM



“ Dear Harry and Carole,
We are both greatly saddened to hear of the passing of your son.
Words alone are not enough.
It is our prayer that our Lord comfort you and sustain you and all your family.
Roy and Trudy Wyatt and family

Roy L. Wyatt - November 23, 2020 at 07:31 AM



“ Audra L Walton lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



audra L walton - November 23, 2020 at 04:35 AM



“ Uncle Harry and Aunt Carole, Tracie, Madison, Allison, Donna, Susie and the rest of the family. We just found out about this. I am deeply saddened. May God shed peace on you.
All my love, Audra.

Hammer, good bye and I love you

audra L walton - November 23, 2020 at 04:32 AM



“ Shirley Jones-Hayes lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Shirley Jones-Hayes - November 23, 2020 at 04:07 AM



“ May you Rest in Peace our SON. We can't understand why God took you at such an early age. The parents are supposed to go first and only He knows how often we requested this, Jerry was trying to move cattle to a different pastures today and they wouldn't move. I came to help and called, as stated Hammer would in the obituary, "Come on Girls" and here they came. He was loved by so many folks but we don't know why this happened. UNTIL THEN SON.

harry and carole kenney - November 22, 2020 at 11:58 PM



“ Rudy Ross lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Rudy Ross - November 22, 2020 at 08:54 PM



“ will miss your great voice singin in church behind me and your smile and hugs Ham. God needed you. So very sorry Tracie and girls, Harry and Carole, Donna , Susie and your Families he will be missed

susan bennett - November 22, 2020 at 08:06 PM



“ Von Beal lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Von Beal - November 22, 2020 at 07:47 PM



“ my condolences for all of my friend's family



T.C. Nay - November 22, 2020 at 07:28 PM



“ Brenda S Hursey lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Brenda S Hursey - November 22, 2020 at 07:07 PM



“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Ham was such a sweet man. My parents just loved him, and I have great memories of him teasing my Dad about one thing or another. He always made us laugh and he always had a smile on his face. He will truly be missed. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire family and his friends. May God grant you strength and peace.

Cricket McGraw -Diller - November 22, 2020 at 06:54 PM



“ So sorry for the family, and the so many others, who now have a huge hole in their hearts, as Hammer maintained residence in so many hearts!
He had a special way, of making it a joy, to be with him.....
any time, any day.
I speak for so many,
so am submitting this anonymously.
I had the good fortune of knowing him for many, many years on the basketball court, and in the workforce. He was a SUPERSTAR, in every way!
NOW, in HONOR of Harry, (as he would not want anyone to be sad) PLEASE do your best to turn your SORROW, in to.....
#HAMMERGY!
“HAMMERGY” definition:(verb) turning YOUR feelings of sorrow regarding the loss of Harry, in to POSITIVE ENERGY for the ultimate benefit of humanity! THIS would make Harry.....
SO HAPPY!
-Anonymous

Anonymous - November 22, 2020 at 06:52 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 06:49 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Harry was a good friend and colleague. We made several farm visits together over the years and I always enjoyed our time together. Prayers to the family.



Chris Zoller - November 22, 2020 at 05:37 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 05:36 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 05:16 PM



“ Keeping you all in my heart prayers for you all

mary maddox - November 22, 2020 at 04:55 PM



“ Love and prayers to you and your family Tracie

Mary Lambes - November 22, 2020 at 04:28 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to this family! May god surround you all with comfort and peace! Orlan Harding snd Ellen Coutts and family



Ellen Coutts - November 22, 2020 at 03:50 PM



“ Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers..



Sara Cowdery - November 22, 2020 at 03:38 PM



“ Maggie & John Crosswhite lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Maggie & John Crosswhite - November 22, 2020 at 03:37 PM



“ Enjoyed working with Harry; passionate about his work, kindhearted and always fun.

Michelle Lohstroh - November 22, 2020 at 03:32 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 03:25 PM



“ Don&Marjorie Carr lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Don&Marjorie Carr - November 22, 2020 at 03:16 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 03:07 PM



“ Carol and Harry so sorry to hear of the passing of your son Harry. I remember him and my son Jeff playing basketball together in school. Sending hugs and prayers to your family.

Diane (Brown) Regula

Diane M Regula - November 22, 2020 at 03:02 PM



“ Harry was absolutely wonderful to work with and I remember so many time hearing him sing country songs in his office. He was one of kind. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his entire family. With love Roger and Tracy Haney



Tracy Haney - November 22, 2020 at 02:55 PM



“ Chuck Donato lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Chuck Donato - November 22, 2020 at 02:48 PM



“ What a good man Harry was. So many memories, all of them with him smiling. My sincere condolences to all of the Kenney family. Hammer will be greatly missed by many.

Chuck Donato - November 22, 2020 at 02:47 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 02:29 PM



“ My heart breaks for all of you. Harry was a constant presence at events that our children were in; he was always there with laughter and an encouraging smile. I pray you find comfort in the many wonderful memories you have as such a close family. Continued prayers for you all.

Troy & Kelli Page - November 22, 2020 at 02:23 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 01:57 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 01:51 PM



“ Harry was a bundle of joy....no words can be said to lessen the pain of loss. May the God of creation provide you comfort and peace....Heaven got a winner that as Christians we have the hope of seeing his smiling face again!

Van & Melissa Slack

Van Slack - November 22, 2020 at 01:48 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Our prayers and love to to his family.
Chuck and Peggy May

Chuck and Peggy May - November 22, 2020 at 02:24 PM



“ Marjorie Hursey lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



marjorie hursey - November 22, 2020 at 01:45 PM



“ He was a great man who encouraged so many through his humor, smiles, hugs, and encouragement. My whole family has fond memories of seeing Harry at IV events! Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Melanie, Jeff , Emily, & Megan (who Harry called “Smiley”) Baker

Melanie Baker - November 22, 2020 at 01:45 PM



“ Sally and Tonia purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



Sally and Tonia - November 22, 2020 at 01:40 PM



“ May you Rest In Peace “Harry”, as you are in the presence of the LORD! You were an amazing person and friend.....you always had a smile on your face and that kindness was contagious. Heather Butler



Heather Fox - November 22, 2020 at 01:39 PM



“ May you Rest In Peace “Harry”, as you are in the presence of the LORD! You were an amazing person and friend.....you always had a smile on your face and that kindness was contagious.



Heather Fox - November 22, 2020 at 01:29 PM



“ Heather Butler

Heather Fox - November 22, 2020 at 01:35 PM



“ One of the nicest guys I knew growing up. Always enjoyed running into him sporadically and catching up with each other. He will be greatly missed. My condolences to the family.



Tre' Stratton - November 22, 2020 at 01:29 PM



“ Footprints Blanket was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 01:23 PM



“ Harry and Carol, we are so sorry for the loss of your son. Please know that you and your family are in our Thoughts and Prayers. So Sorry.

Linda Clawson - November 22, 2020 at 01:21 PM



“ Lori And David Billings lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Lori and David Billings - November 22, 2020 at 01:16 PM



“ Karen Haver lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Karen Haver - November 22, 2020 at 01:09 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 12:53 PM



“ So sorry prayers to the family.



Patty Rehard Watson - November 22, 2020 at 12:43 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 12:34 PM



“ Roberta Davis Weaver lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Roberta Davis Weaver - November 22, 2020 at 12:33 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 12:24 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney.



November 22, 2020 at 12:09 PM



“ I am so very sorry for the loss of Hammer. I have many fond memories of him growing up together at King's church.

Annette - November 22, 2020 at 12:08 PM



“ Chad Nay lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Chad Nay - November 22, 2020 at 12:05 PM



“ Sheryl Fillman Maple lit a candle in memory of Harry Junior "Hammer" Kenney



Sheryl Fillman Maple - November 22, 2020 at 11:50 AM



“ My heart goes out to your family. Ham was a very wonderful son, husband, father, and a friend to everyone he will be sadly missed in the community

Linda Lanning - November 22, 2020 at 07:34 PM