



James Kenneth (Ken) Wilkerson

August 4, 1964 - September 24, 2016

Ken Wilkerson, 52 of Ellisville, MS, went home to be with his savior, the Lord Jesus Christ on September 24, 2016.

Ken was born August 4, 1964, in Hattiesburg, MS. He graduated from R. H. Watkins High School in Laurel and obtained a BS Degree from the University of Southern Mississippi with a major in accounting.

In 1996, Ken married Wendy Strickland, the love of his life, and they have two sons, Lan Tyler McNair and Samuel Rylan Wilkerson, both of Ellisville.

Visitation will be Monday, September 26 from 5-8 p.m. and the funeral will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. at Memory Chapel in Laurel. Rev. Chris Hinton will officiate.

Ken was employed at Sanderson Farms in Laurel as payroll manager for the corporation.

Ken was a member of Hope Baptist Church in Laurel where he served as church treasurer for many years. Ken deeply loved his Lord, his church, and his pastor and fellow church members.

Ken learned the game of golf at an early age from his paternal grandfather

and subsequently passed on that training and knowledge to his son, Sam. Ken coached the golf team at Laurel Christian High School while Sam was a player on the team.

Ken was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Woodrow and Verna Jones Eaton of Lumberton; and his paternal grandparents, John F. and Caroline Frost Wilkerson of Hattiesburg.

Ken is survived by his wife Wendy and sons Lan and Sam of Ellisville; parents James W. and Margaret Eaton Wilkerson, and brother Steve (Cindy) Wilkerson all of Laurel; father-in-law and mother-in-law Mack and Elaine Strickland of Ellisville; brother-in-law Bo Strickland; sister-in-law Keita Owens, and niece Kamden Owens of Ellisville; other extended family; and many friends.

Pallbearers will be Alex Hinton, Chantry Robertson, Chris Robertson, Bobby Hill, Brian Roney, and Reed Hodges.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Ellisville Cemetery

Corner of Augusta Road and Hwy 29 South
Ellisville, MS 39437

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **26**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home
3100 Audubon Drive
P. O. Box 674
Laurel, MS 39440
(601) 428-5235
memorychapel@comcast.net
<https://www.memorychapellaurel.com/>

Service

SEP **27**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DG

“ I worked with Ken for over 6 years. He was a wonderful Christian man. My heart is saddened to hear of his sudden passing. But on the other hand, my heart is joyful because I know where he is, he is with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. My pray is that the Lord be with you and comfort you during this time and give you peace in knowing that you will see your beloved again. He was a good man who lived a life that showed he loved his family and his God. Know that I am praying for you during this time and the times to come.

Doreen Grice

Doreen Grice - September 27, 2016 at 04:33 PM

MT

“ Wendy, we did not know Ken very well, but always saw him with you. We are so sorry about your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Love, the Tisdales

Martha and Terrell Tisdale - September 27, 2016 at 09:16 AM

LB

“ Wendy,
Eric Herrington sent me a message letting me know about your husband. Just wanted you to know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Lynn Walters Burke

Lynn Burke - September 27, 2016 at 08:43 AM

PH

“ I am so sorry I cannot see you in person tonight, but please know you have been on my heart and in my prayers constantly.

Pat Holifield

pat holifield - September 26, 2016 at 08:59 PM

FC

“ We were saddened to hear of the death of your beloved husband and son. God's love and strength will carry you through this time. Although we are out of town, we will be remembering you during this time and as you adjust to life without your loved one.

Ralph and Fay Campbell

Fay Campbell - September 26, 2016 at 07:34 PM

DD

“ Can't comprehend the grief you must be bearing. We grieve with you in the loss of Ken. We pray for God's grace to carry you through this dark time.

David & Kathy Dill

DAVID DILL - September 26, 2016 at 04:03 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Kenneth (Ken) Wilkerson.



September 26, 2016 at 01:44 PM

MT

“ *Michelle Borho & the MC Admissions team purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of James Kenneth (Ken) Wilkerson.*



Michelle Borho & the MC Admissions team - September 26, 2016 at 10:07 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Kenneth (Ken) Wilkerson.*



September 25, 2016 at 10:59 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James Kenneth (Ken) Wilkerson.*



September 25, 2016 at 10:39 PM



“ Please accept my deepest sympathy for your loss and grief. I realize there are no words that can bring you real comfort, but I do pray God will show His grace and presence during this tragic loss . Thank you and your family for all the love you have unselfishly shown to mine.

Love and Peace,

John Hosey

John Hosey - September 25, 2016 at 10:17 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Kenneth (Ken) Wilkerson.*



September 25, 2016 at 08:47 PM



“ *I was fortunate enough to get to know Ken over the last several months. One thing about him immediately stuck out to me and that was the love he had for his family! Being a loving father and strong family man myself, his heart and jolly spirit resonated with me the first time we met at mamaw and pop's. I could go on for hours about the impact he made on me in this short time I got to know him but it would pale in comparison to the impact he made on this family long before we met! Rest in peace brother, until we meet again! Love, Aritt*

Aritt Davis - September 25, 2016 at 07:40 PM