

Kenneth M. Sherman 1939-2009



Kenneth M. Sherman, age 70, of Tellico Plains, TN died on Sunday, June 28, 2009 following a sudden illness. He was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on June 23, 1939. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Patricia and his two sons, Christopher and Ryan, their wives Tina and Andrea, respectively, his granddaughter Mackenzie, a grandson, Wyatt Kenneth, expected in September, step-grandson Brandon, and by his Mother, Julia, his sister Katherine and brother-in-law Tom Pyzyk, nephew Timothy his wife Mollie and 2 great nieces.

Ken moved to Tellico Plains in 1994 from Wisconsin and worked for the Monroe County Sheriff Department for 14 years. Ken started his law enforcement career with the Village of Butler Police Department after his discharge from the Navy and joined the City of Oconomowoc Police Department in the early 70's where he attained the rank of Chief of Police. He was also the Chief of Police of the Village of Lac La Belle and served as a special warden, part-time, for the Department of Natural Resources for the State of Wisconsin for 13 years where he also taught hunter and boating safety.

After retiring in 1994 he moved with his wife to Tellico Plains, where he returned to law enforcement with the Monroe County Sheriff Department and became the supervisor and coordinator of court security for Monroe County. He was also a member of the Rafter Volunteer Fire Department serving as treasurer for several years and worked with the Monroe County Red Cross and as an EMA Coordinator.

Ken was a member of the BPOE for many years serving as President of Watertown Wisconsin Elks Lodge in 1986 and as State Vice President of the Southeast District, where he served as Chairman of the State Major Project Committee and as such was instrumental in the construction of a Respite Center for Cerebral Palsied Children at Camp Waubeck at the Wisconsin Dells in association with the Easter Seal Society. He was also affiliated with the Athens, TN Elks Lodge and was a member of the Tellico Plains American Legion. He was a member of the Boy Scouts of America for many years attaining the Order of the Arrow and Eagle Scout.

Ken was a Viet Nam era veteran serving in the United States Navy as an aviation radio technician.

Ken was a Member and Elder at Center Presbyterian Church. He enjoyed camping, gun collecting, was an avid reader, enjoyed traveling, and most of all, those who knew him well, can attest to how much he enjoyed story telling and people in general.