



Kenneth Charles Berkley

May 10, 1960 - February 14, 2026

Kenneth Charles Berkley was born on May 10, 1960, at the U.S. Army hospital in Munich, Germany. He died peacefully in his home on February 14, 2026, from natural causes. Raised in a military family, he spent his early years abroad, graduating from Frankfurt American High School and returning to his birthplace to attend the University of Maryland in Munich before settling in Northern Virginia.

Ken built a respected career as a locksmith, working in a trade that suited his steady hands, sharp mind, and integrity. He dedicated many years to his craft, working as a Senior Manager at Baldino's Lock and Key and later with Federal Security Group, where he worked onsite securing Smithsonian Institution facilities. His work reflected his reliability, skill, and quiet pride in doing a job well.

Above all else, Ken loved his family and the many happy gatherings they shared. He also found joy in simple pleasures: giving gifts to others, the color green, meals with loved ones, a perfectly cooked lobster, sweets of all kinds, beautiful art glass, a good round of golf, and cheering on the New England Patriots, Boston Red Sox, Boston Celtics, and the Washington Capitals. He was also an avid chess player and enjoyed teaching others how to play.

No matter the challenge, he met it with determination and his trademark

response, "I'm fine." He adored his talkative cat Stella and proudly bore an elephant tattoo with striking blue eyes – a tribute to his beloved father.

Ken was predeceased by his father Nathan Berkley, his brother-in-law Michael Fairbanks, and several close friends.

He is survived by his loving mother Patricia Berkley, sister Janice Baker (Brad), sister Donna Fairbanks, brother Tom Berkley (Debbie), sister Pamela Kipps (Bob), cousin Tim Bureau (Lisa), many cherished nieces and nephews, special cousins in Maine, and his close friends.

We will all miss his steady presence, his loyalty, his commitment to family, his humor and his love.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 21. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.
3200 Golansky Blvd.
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-878-CARE (2273)
<https://millerfuneralhome.net/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Kenneth Charles Berkley.*



March 20 at 07:04 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth Charles Berkley.*



March 16 at 12:27 PM



“ *Kenny was one of the very first people I met when we both arrived in Frankfurt at the same time. In fact, we met as we were walking on opposite sides of the street, said hello, talked briefly and went on our merry way. A few weeks later we are both working Summer Hire at Atterbury Motor Pool and became friends from then on. Through high school, roommates at Munich and beyond. Although we let distance get in the way, we never lost our friendship. No matter how long the gap, the minute we were together was like nothing changed. You will be missed my friend. Until we meet again.*

Chris Law - February 24 at 11:19 AM