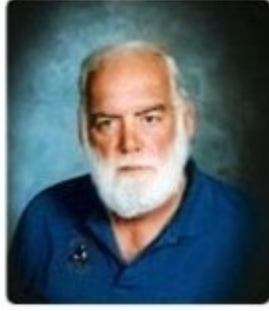


Kenneth Murray

1943 - 2017



Kenneth John Murray, 73, passed away Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at Memorial

Medical Center, Las Cruces, NM. He was born November 23, 1943, in Attleboro, MA to Alyce G. (Chambers) Murray and Thomas A. Murray, Jr. He attended West Springfield, MA schools, graduating from West Springfield High School in 1961. He later graduated (1965) from Colby College, Waterville, ME. He was enrolled in the ROTC program throughout his college years. He continued his education at Boston University Law School, graduating with honors in 1968, with a Doctorate in Jurisprudence.

After passing the MA Bar, he entered the [United States Air Force](#) with the JAG Corps and was assigned to bases in Florida, Iceland, and Arizona. Kenneth was designated as a Judge Advocate in 1969 and Military Judge in 1970. He received the Joint Service Commendation Medal for exceptional meritorious achievement during the disastrous volcanic eruption in Iceland, January 1973. Kenneth also served as a Civil Service JAG for the remainder of his career, at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio.

After his retirement, he enjoyed traveling and touring the USA in his 5th Wheel, ranging from Alaska to Central Mexico and all Western States and visiting nearly all of our National Parks. Ken was active in several RV Clubs. He spent much of his later years living in Las Cruces, NM and Fun N Sun RV Resort, San Benito, TX where he enjoyed the fellowship of many good friends. He was particularly fond of playing water volleyball. Gardening was a joy to him and he loved creating a flower-filled yard wherever he lived.

Ken organized a Neighborhood Watch in his Las Cruces neighborhood, sending out weekly information emails to members. He was a strong supporter of gun control and a member of [Everytown.org](#). Throughout his life, he helped those who were in need and strove for equal rights and justice for all.

Kenneth is survived by: His Wife: Hazel Marie Murray of Las Cruces, NM Children: Sean Olaisen Murray of Dayton, OH, Amanda Benjamin Murray of Exeter, NH and Their Mother (his first wife): Kiranada Sterling Benjamin of Kingston, NH His Brother: Robert Earl Murray of Ward, CO, His Sister: Meredith Ann Murray of Bellingham, WA

Cremation Rites have been accorded by Getz Funeral Home, Las Cruces. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date.

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