



## Kenneth D. Van Gordon

October 24, 1942 - September 8, 2019

Kenneth D. Van Gordon passed away Sunday, September 8, 2019. He is survived by his wife, Susan. His son, Scott Van Gordon (Ling Ling); his daughter, Carissa Mathis (Mike); his stepson, Eddie McEwen (Kerri); his stepdaughter, Katherine Owen (Mike) and ten grandchildren and his sister, Muriel Schwinghammer (Roger).

A celebration of Ken's life will be held at a later date, memorial contributions may be made to Big Bend Hospice. Todd Wahlquist with Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with their arrangements.

# Tribute Wall



“ *I love you dad!  
Growing up the vacations, one to Maine, around Lake Superior,  
upper peninsula of Michigan to Cedar Point. When I was 16 we took  
a trip to Arizona to see your parents and the Grand Canyon always  
lots of fun! I enjoyed spending time helping build decks together.  
I cherish the memories of our time together!  
Love always,  
Carissa*

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**Carissa VanGordon** - September 26, 2019 at 09:09 PM



“ *I have fond memories of Uncle Ken from visits during childhood  
both in MN and in FL. I remember visits when family came to  
Minnesota in the summer... running around our yard having water  
balloon fights with our cousins and Uncle Ken joining in the fun.  
Going down to FL for visits... swimming in the pool, seeing his pride  
as he gave a tour of his printing business... him taking me out and  
letting me drive his Corvette (when I had my license of course--  
what a thrill that was). I remember his huge, easy smile, playful  
sense of humor (looking back, reminds me so much of my grandpa  
Van Gordon's playfulness)... and joyful laugh. As an adult, I  
remember he and Susan coming to my wedding, serving dessert  
(which I recall was a lot of chaos, but they did it so graciously..). I  
am regretful that this is the last time I spoke to him... oh how time  
and opportunities seem to slip by so quickly, despite our best  
intentions... My heart and deepest sympathies go out to Susan,  
Carissa, Scott and all those who loved Uncle Ken. I can't imagine  
your pain, but I am holding you in my heart..  
With love,  
Stacy*

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**Stacy Zimmer (Schwinghammer)** - September 19, 2019 at 05:29 PM

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“ I have been blessed to have this wonderful brother for 76 years. We shared so much history together with many wonderful memories. I have been so saddened these past few months of this terminal prognosis. I will always treasure how easy our time was together, with our visit in February of this year.. Me picking his brain of things that were a little foggy from our growing up years and Ken filling in the blanks. We had a great time sharing our memories and history of the happy and also the sad time we shared together. He certainly showed his big sister the grace of passing from this life to the next.  
Love ya, Muriel

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**Muriel A Schwinghammer** - September 16, 2019 at 07:59 PM