



# Kenneth J. Murphy

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## Kenneth Murphy Obituary

Kenneth J. Murphy, 88, formerly of Elyria, died Friday February 13, 2026 at Danbury of Hudson, Hudson, Ohio. He was born April 4, 1937 in Elyria, was a 1956 graduate of Elyria High School and served with the US Army and Ohio National Guard. Ken retired as Director of Operations at Sunrise Medical, Avon Lake and served as a Lorain County Deputy Sheriff from 1969-1986. His hobbies included landscaping in his backyard and shooting sports (pistol, trap and skeet sporting clays).

Ken is survived by his wife of 66 years, Francene A. (nee Olenik); children, Mark (Chris) Murphy of Palm Bay, FL, Michele (Tim) Pitts of Stow and Matt (Anne) Murphy of Madison, AL; grandchildren, Brendan, Dillon (fiancée, Samantha), Justin, Ryan, Morgan (Sydney) and Madison and a brother, Robert Murphy.

He was preceded in death by parents, Margaret and Walter Murphy; brothers, Don, Alan and Richard and a sister, Helen Grundy.

Private burial will be in Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery, Rittman.

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in memory of Kenneth J. Murphy, please visit our floral store.

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## Tribute Wall

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TL

**Tammy Bliss Lottman** posted:

I was Ken's Administrative Assistant at Sunrise Medical, Best Job ever. Ken had a heart of gold! No one like him!! Shine Bright Ken! Love You!! Tammy

April 22 at 1:21 PM

AM

**A Memorial Tree Was Planted For Kenneth J. Murphy** posted:

A Memorial Tree was planted for Kenneth J. Murphy We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ the staff at Dicken Funeral Home & Cremation Service Join in honoring their life - plant a memorial tree

April 22 at 8:55 AM

TW

**Tom Walsh** posted:

I worked with Ken at Entron, STC company, Invacare, and Sunrise Medical . Those were some of the best times of my life. I will always remember you Ken.

February 25 at 7:29 AM

DM

**Dominic Monteleone** posted:

So sorry for your loss. Ken was a great man who's influence on me made it possible for me to be where I am at today. You all are in my prayers and thoughts.

February 19 at 2:29 PM

DO

**Dominic** posted:

So sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I can honestly say that if wasn't for this man, your wonderful father , grandfather and husband, I would not be where I am today. His guidance and patience with me from the age of 17 to 37 guided me and shepherd me and taught me many lessons about life and how to treat others. He was like a father to me for 20 years and not a boss. So many memories come to mind but the first was when he helped me get my first credit card so I could travel to Oregon for training. You will be deeply missed Ken by me and many more who you guided and mentored.

February 19 at 2:10 PM



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**Randy Reinhardt** posted:

Sorry to hear this news. Kenny was a good man and a wonderful friend. We shot together many rimes at Sportsmens gun club in Lorain. Kenny attended the monthly club meetings and always had input for club improvements. There are many friendships and Kenny had more than most at the club, he was always a gentleman and a strong competitor. Kenny will be sorely missed.

February 18 at 9:06 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

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