



Kenneth Alan Lassche

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Kenneth Alan Lassche, affectionately known as “Papa,” passed away unexpectedly, at home, in Magna, Utah, on July 3, 2025. He was 64 years old. Born on October 28, 1960, Ken lived a life rooted in grit, love, and laughter. A proud tinkerer, gardener, hunter, fisher, and storyteller, he was the kind of man who could fix just about anything—cars, hearts, you name it. He may not have been our dad by blood, but he showed up in every way that mattered. He loved without conditions and claimed us without hesitation. For his grandkids, he was, and always will be, Papa.

Papa Ken was happiest with dirt under his nails and a Mountain Dew in hand. He didn't just grow food; he grew it with purpose. Strawberries, peppers, squash, cucumbers, watermelon, and even specific types of lettuce were grown not for himself, but for his daughter's two tortoises, because even the family pets deserved love, Papa-style.

You could spot Papa Ken from a mile away... usually in a baseball cap and one of his many, many flannels. Seriously, the man had enough flannels to last nine months without a repeat. And his t-shirts had to have a pocket (for his cigarettes, of course). His glasses were forever getting lost or broken under car hoods, and his dog Lucy loved licking the empty Mountain Dew bottles she'd find around the house.

He had a knack for storytelling. If you gave him your ear, he'd talk for hours, and if you had somewhere to be, well... you probably weren't getting there on time. But somehow, every word was worth it. He was a man who showed up. If one of his kids needed something, they called him first. And if he didn't know how to fix it? He'd figure it out, then call you while you were at work to walk you through the steps even though you were nowhere near what needed fixin'.

He built the arch for his daughter's wedding; burnt the wood, made it collapsible, and beautiful, and proudly walked her down the aisle alongside her biological dad. He



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always made a second bowl of macaroni salad without onions for her because he knew her picky self would be limited on things to eat.

He was a man of action and presence, one who knew that love is what you do more than what you say.

Papa Ken is survived by his parents, George & Patsy Lassche and Anna May Mills; his siblings, Kevin & Caroline (spouse), Beverly, Sherry & Alan (spouse), Georgina & Steve (spouse), Valerie & Charles (spouse), and Steven & Gretchen (spouse).

He often told his dad, “I gotta get home to see my grandkids!”—and he meant it every time.

He leaves behind his lifelong partner and best friend, Trudy Lynn Bryant, along with the children he loved and raised as his own:

James & Laura (Spouse), Misty & Derek (Spouse), Cody & Karen (Friend), Joey, Tara, Sebastian & MaKenzie (Spouse), Heather & Corey (Spouse), & Kevin Young.

His beloved grandchildren:

Victoria, Devin, Christian, Penny, Tyler, Gaege & Sierra (fiancé), Alicia, Kailee, Kaizin, Little Cody, Camila, McKenzi, Khylur, Rylee, Megan “Destiny” & Chris (boyfriend), Kayla, Lynsi “Summer,” Isaac “Hunter,” Peyton, Casey, Damian, Zoie, Ryker, Marley, Preston, Zakya, Kevin, Parker, Crystal, and Kailani.

His great-grandchildren:

Baby Adam (Gaege & Sierra), Augustine and one more bundle of joy on the way (Megan & Chris), plus four more beautiful blessings—three from Casey and one from Zoie.

Papa Ken now reunites with his son, Kristopher Allen Lassche, and his siblings Buddy, Loraine, and Sheila, who preceded him in death.

☐ Celebration of Life

A Celebration of Life will be held on August 16, 2025.

📍 Pleasant Green Park

3250 S 8400 W

Magna, UT 84044

🕒 1:00 pm (MST)



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In honor of Papa, guests are encouraged to wear something plaid, flannel, or even a pocket tee, because nothing says “Papa Ken” like being comfortable, cozy, and ready to fix somethin’!

🗨️ Papa-isms We’ll Never Forget

o His obsession with Fords — he’d proudly defend them like a badge of honor, even when his granddaughter Alicia teased him by saying, “Fords are ass!” That playful argument never got old.

o The “Fishy Song” (sung with zero shame):

Fishy, Fishy, in the brook,

Come and bite my fucking hook!

o “Want me to whoop your what!?”

o “You’re a pain in my What!”

o “Who’s the meanest, rottenest grandpa you know?”

o And of course, fists up and grinning: “You wanna fight?” — which was really just code for “Come give Papa a hug.”

His love for his Trudy was so genuine and real. He spent 28 years loving the hell out of her. He made sure to take care of her every single day; texting her each night to ask what she wanted for dinner, then cooking it so she didn’t have to lift a finger. He’d cut her sandwiches into four perfect squares, just how she liked them. He adored her. He never let his emotions get in the way of how he showed up for her. His love was steady, quiet, and deep... and we know that love will keep shining down on her from above.

Papa Ken was the kind of man who’d give you the shirt off his back, the tools from his toolbox, and the stories to carry with you forever. He was equal parts tough and tender. We miss him terribly... but we know he’s up there now, flannel on, huntin’ and fishin’ with his son, Kris, Lucy nearby, his grand-dog, Tater Tot, sitting on his lap, sipping a Mountain Dew and keeping watch over all of us.

Rest easy, Papa.

Until next time.



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Joseph Farnsworth Sr posted:

Ken always shoveled his parents walks and drive way. Almost everytime I went over to check on the walks and driveway of Ken's parents, they were already shoveled, by Ken. He was very reliable that way, always putting his parents first! Yes, Ken liked to talk. Even though I didn't know him very well, I quickly learned how much he loved the outdoors, hunting, and telling his stories ... His stories were fun to listen to, and I would definitley say he was a good storyteller! Yes, Ken will be missed! We love you Ken! Joe Farnsworth Ministering Brother to Ken's parents: George and Patsy Lassche

August 5 at 5:40 PM



Sherrie Haertel shared 5 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



My beautiful big brother I cant believe you are gone. I keep hoping its just all a bad dream. I love you more than I could ever put into words. You were always, always looking out for me. You gave me strength to carry on when life was hard. You always, always made the time to let me cry on your shoulder. I have thought many times what a beautiful reunion it must have been when you got to see Kris. How grateful I am to know that I will see you again. You will be the first person I look for. Rest in peace my sweet brother. I love you always and forever

July 16 at 6:21 AM



Kristy Bruce Limb shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



You may have only been my uncle but we never called you uncle. It was always papa Ken. The only day your little buddy Bruce asked me who would tickle him know when we come over?!? Because he knew that when we would come over you was there waiting for him to enter the gate so that you could pick on us. I ended up calling aunt Trudy (or as Bruce calls her meme Trudy) because he ask who would do it know? Just to make sure your tickle would remind the best of his memories if she would still tickle him. Who going to give me a hard time about my vaping, when we are taking you fishing or to do something?!? Asking me how school was going to show you are supporting the decision I have made to better our life. Fly high Papa ken as you might have been ready for your angel wings but our hearts was not ❤️ Love forever and always, Kristy, Christian and Bruce

July 18 at 4:37 PM



Patsy Lassche July 19 at 6:26 AM

We will miss you every day, our love for you will never end. Rest in peace 🙏❤️❤�



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Corey Draper shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I remember this day like it was yesterday. He is going to be missed especially when he called me to "work on his jaw muscles" he loved talking and giving me shit about always killing the biggest elk on the mountain or about something that would last hours of him talking. He sent me a text the day before asking me a question but some how called me and said he would call me tomorrow but instead i got a call saying you went home not fair but i love you ken save a spot for me so we can talk for hours some more



July 16 at 9:55 AM



Maryann Brown posted:

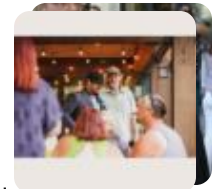
I will always remember Kenneth for just being there for you no matter what. He always poked his head in my door to check on me. He would use the excuse that he wanted to tease tank he hadn't done so yet that day, but I knew the real reason why. I know he really loved my sister Trudy he made sure she was taken care of before anything else Kenneth you will be greatly missed I still looked for you to poke your head through the door, and tell me come get your dinner. I'm being honest when I say this house has some emptiness in it and your fur babies sure miss you. You will always be my brother.

July 16 at 8:51 AM



Kisty Limb shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



I have a lot of memories of my Uncle/Papa Ken. But two of the best memories is when he came to my College graduation in June of 2017 he said "See I told you that you could do it and look where you're at today. I'm so very proud of you!" And that same day Kristy told him that she was having a Baby Boy And he told her see I knew it was going to be a boy. And the other memory is when Him, Aunt Trudy, Makenzie and my Mom came to Chaddy and Brittany's Wedding in June 26th, 2021. He said to me "How could Chaddy already be getting married it wasn't that long ago that Kris and I just took him hunting." I miss him so very much. Always there when I needed to talk or had a question. We Love and miss you lots Uncle/Papa Ken. Please keep watching over us all.



July 16 at 6:21 AM



Angel lit a candle in honor of Kenneth.

You will be greatly missed  



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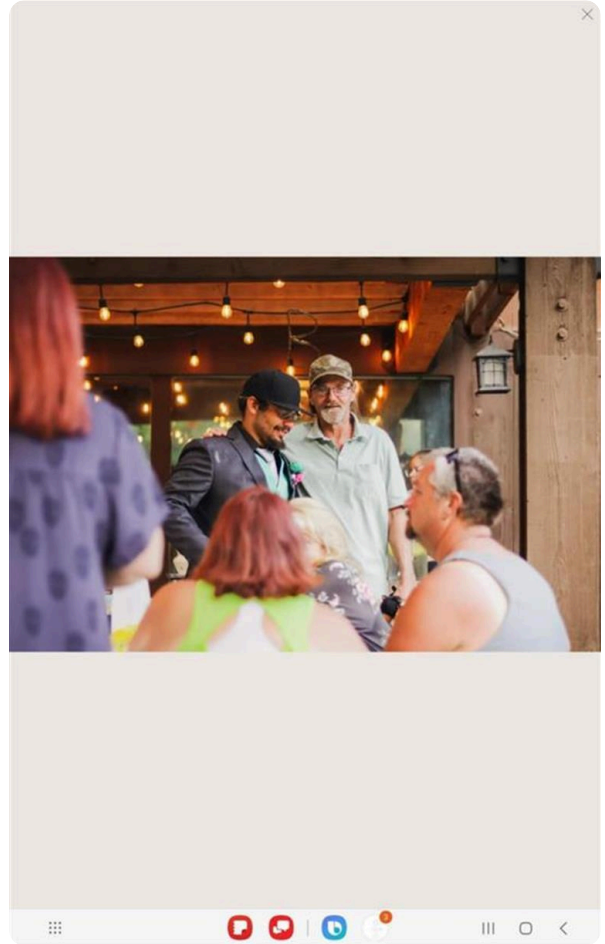
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Kisty Limb shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

July 16 at 8:12 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Kenneth by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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