



## Kenneth H. Davies, "Ken"

January 7, 1962 - April 18, 2017

Kenneth H. Davies passed away on April 18, 2017, in Jupiter, FL. He was born on January 7, 1962, in Atlanta, GA. His family moved to Indiantown, FL in 1966 where he grew up and lived his whole life. He graduated from Jupiter Christian School and from the University of Florida with a Criminal Justice degree. Ken had a big heart and cared deeply for everyone. He was the first to help anyone in need. Ken recently retired after 32 years with the State of Florida Public Defender's Office in Belle Glade. Ken had a passion to help others and was known as "The man for the people". He was able to positively affect so many young lives due to his abilities to listen and provide guidance. Ken's kindness and passion to help others made everyone feel special and important. Ken had a great sense of humor, sharp wit and a big personality which made him the life of any party. He was a Florida Gator fanatic, "GO GATORS". Ken was preceded in death by his father, Harold Davies, and is survived by his mother, Aleph Davies, his brother Donell, sister Leslie Davies Shorey, a niece and nephew, McKenzie and Joshua Shorey, and too many special friends to list. Graveside services will be April 28, 2017, 10:30 a.m. at Port Mayaca Memorial Gardens 23900 SW Kanner Hwy, Canal Point, FL 33438, (561) 924-2362, followed by a Celebration Lunch at the Seminole Inn in Indiantown. In lieu of flowers, please donate in Ken's honor to the Place of Hope, 9078 Isaiah Lane, Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33418, [www.placeofhope.com](http://www.placeofhope.com).



# Tribute Wall



“ *Kenneth H. Davies, "Ken"* ”

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October 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ Ken was an extraordinary person, the finest man I have known apart from immediate family members. A more caring, dedicated helper of those who suffer from the condition of being human (everyone) is not possible to imagine: He CARED about people, regardless of their background or circumstances and Ken's intervention during his years as an investigator for the Office of the Public Defender softened the blows dealt by the criminal justice system for hundreds (thousands?) of clients. In doing so, he saved lives, figuratively and literally. Ken is so very compassionate, professional, knowledgeable and intelligent that it was not at all unusual for a client to answer "Mr. Ken Davies" when asked for the name of their attorney. His store of knowledge regarding the families in the Western communities of Palm Beach County was detailed. It spanned generations & was invaluable... 2 years working in the Belle Glade P D' s & Ken helped me as he did everyone. Ken stopped tears. Inexhaustible humor, albeit gallows humor at times, was shared to help all us remain sane in the face of often grim cases & client circumstances. The twinkle in that pair of bright blue eyes, paired with the TINIEST ghost of a hovering smile & you knew: 1) You were going to hear a drawled observation/comment, & 2) You were going to smile, likely laugh out loud. He seemed to be my brother by different parents. Ken was the other avid office fan of "The Game of Thrones" series-- texts of the "O.M.G.!!!" variety fired back & forth if it was impossible to contain ourselves. An Easter Sunday spent at the Davies home is special day memory among SO many-- "Ken" and "was" do not fit in a sentence. He left when I was out of the country I miss "Misterkenkavies" every day; always will. Looking out the window on the flight back, all the bright blue kept him so present. Clouds, seen from above, give no better understanding of where a loved one goes they do when they're seen from below---but he's up there.

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Carol Bickerstaff - Loxahatchee, FL - Coworker - May 19, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ I was crushed to hear of Ken's passing. I worked with Ken in the Glades for several years. He was truly a great man. Ken had the gift to make everyone around him to feel better about life. I will miss him very much.

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**joe marx - west palm beach, FL - Friend - May 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM**

PF

“ Ken was a great man he helped so many people and was loved by many!

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**Pam Hernandez - Indiantown, FL - friend - April 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM**

DF

“ Many condolences to Ken's family. I always looked forward to hearing Ken's laugh and seeing his smiling face and swapping stories and hugs for the over 30 years we were out in Belle Glade. Whenever I walked into the PD's office and heard his voice and laugh, it always made me happier I made the trip out. Ken was always working hard trying to help someone the rest of the world had probably written of years ago. Ken had a heart of gold and will be truly missed and Heaven is a better place to have him. GO GATORS!

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**Dawn LeRoy - Royal Palm Beach, FL - Friend - April 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM**

JF

“ I had the great fortune of spending a few very special years of my long legal career at the Public Defender's Office in Belle Glade. I have learned of the very sad news of Ken's passing. I often think of my great time of being in that office and being so close with Ken. Just the other day, I was sharing old stories about Ken and Tom and our days in the Glades. Ken was such a great person: smart, funny, a heart of gold, and that twinkle in his eye and his impish grin. He will be missed. I thought the world of Ken. The world shines less with him gone. Good bye my old friend. John

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**John Sumner - Canton, GA - Friend** - April 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Ken was a great friend and confidant and I will always remember all the thoughtful things he did for me as well as the many people who knew him. He made sure that after Jim, my husband, passed away that I was taken care of and never hesitated to ask what he could do for me. There is not one person I talked to that doesn't have a story of how he has influenced their life in a positive way. He will always be remembered as the person who went way beyond; dropping off baby clothes to the hospital, taking a trouble youth under his wing and providing guidance, and even helping those in need by providing supplies for school and providing family support when necessary (The Man for the People). While I knew he always wanted us to celebrate his life, it is a little selfish of me not to feel sorrow that I will not hear his voice on the phone every day. Instead I will remember the many fun times we had together and that will get me through the sad times. Ken, you will never be forgotten! A close and loving friend, Janann Nicholson

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**Janann Nicholson - Pahokee, FL** - April 26, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ *Gods Peace! Great Man. Never forget the memories @ Lake Placid with family & friends. Gods Peace from Jeffre, Katie, Jack, Ava & Ben Norris!*

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**Jeffre Norris - Palm City, FL - Family Friend** - April 25, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ *What a loss...I met my gator rival as a young prosecutor working the glades satellite office. I liked him immediately, even thou his job and goals conflicted with mine.We formed a friendship that lead to golf on Fridays and beverages and stories soon after.Our lives lead us in different paths and sadly our games and stories lessened. I will never forget my friend Ken.You were one of a kindGod blessYour Seminole golf buddy*

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**Rob Reynolds - Jupiter, FL - Friend** - April 24, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *In loving memory of a wonderful person. We will love you and miss you always.*

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**Annie Horne - NC** - April 24, 2017 at 12:00 AM