



Kenneth "Ken" Bruce Rowley

April 16, 1953 - April 16, 2025

Kenneth Bruce Rowley, age 72, of Lawrenceville, GA, passed away on Wednesday, April 16, 2025. Mr. Rowley is survived by his wife, Gloria Anderson Rowley of Lawrenceville, GA; children, Kenneth Rowley of Peachtree Corners, GA, George Rowley of Lawrenceville, GA; mother Marilyn Maloof of Suwanee, GA; sister Cindy Panos of Gainesville, GA.

He attended Shamrock High School and graduated from Carson-Newman College earning a Bachelor of Science in Psychology degree. He was a member of the Phi Mu Delta Literary Society.

Over his adult life, he earned Masters Degrees in Special Education and Counseling and continued on to earn a Specialist Degree in Counseling from Georgia State University. He worked for the Gwinnett, Hall, and Walton County School Systems in the capacity of a Special Education teacher and a guidance counselor for 34 years before retirement. During the 1980s, Ken owned a small counseling practice in Duluth, GA.

Ken was a member of Sunrise Baptist Church in Lawrenceville, GA where he served as a Sunday School Teacher and Deacon, and sang in the choir.

A Celebration of Life Service will be held at Sunrise Baptist Church, 3000 Sugarloaf Parkway, Lawrenceville, GA 30045, at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, May

3, 2025, with Senior Pastor Don Witzel officiating. The family will receive friends at the Church from 1:00 p.m. until 1:45 p.m. just prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Gideons International in memory of Ken's service to them.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 3. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Sunrise Baptist Church
3000 Sugarloaf Pkwy.
Lawrenceville, GA

Celebration of Life

MAY 3. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

“ I treasure special memories made with my cousins Ken and his sister, Cindy, especially in our more youthful years growing up even though we lived a distance from each other most of our lives. Summers were especially fun to look forward to as we often met together for a week vacay in Ocean City, NJ, with my sisters and our moms...OCNJ became our favorite shore point over the yrs. Ken was sure to introduce Gloria to OC soon after they married- they often scheduled a summer week vacay there when my husband and I were excited to join them for some fun and reminiscing our younger years spent there together as cousins.

OCNJ held a special place in Ken's heart, mine as well, as Ken gave his heart to Jesus at 12 yrs old at OC Baptist Church, our 'go-to church' while on vacay there...praise God, a life changing experience for Ken.

Having 2 sisters myself, I thought of Ken as the fun 'brother' I never had. We shared things in common only 2 weeks apart in age- Cindy just a year behind us...the 3 of us often laughing and being silly when we came together...Ken's great sense of humor and funny jokes often the trigger. He loved life, music of all kinds, loved to sing, an avid reader and trivia pro, fun to be with and intentional in his relationships with others, making them feel valuable.

Ken was great at staying in touch as cousins since we lived states apart...we called each other often, especially on bdays and soon after each New Year, catching up on life, always laughing over something. I admired his zeal for life, his love for people and most important his love for our Lord that we shared. He often shared how much he enjoyed his favorite ministry with Gideon Bibles that gave him much joy.

Most grateful for the yrs I knew Ken as a 'brother'...I miss him from this earth and so sorry for his family's loss yet thankful and confident we will all share eternity with him in heaven one glorious day- thank you Jesus!

Continuing to pray for Gloria & all family as they deeply grieve yet rejoice knowing Ken is well again and delighting in the Joy of Heaven!

Carolyn A. Hunt - May 03, 2025 at 04:24 PM

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“*Ken was such an encourager. I worked VBS with him one year and I remember being so nervous about participating but he assured me it would be okay. I felt a special kinship with him. Thank you Ken for being an encourager.*”

Ellie Garbarino - April 27, 2025 at 09:21 PM



“*We were at college together and I remember Ken sharing his love for Gloria with me and his intention to marry this wonderful young woman. I knew he had made a smart choice! Lamar still talks about Ken both from getting to know him at Ken and Gloria's wedding and then at our own. That's just the way Ken was. Congenial and interactive with new friends and acquaintances. My heart goes out to Gloria and her sons and loved ones. Im blessed to have known him and to know that God is near to the brokenhearted.*”

Ruth Cooley - April 27, 2025 at 08:45 AM

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I have such fond memories of spending time with my cousin Ken and his sister and my sisters when we were young kids at our Grandparents wonderful home at Brinton Lake in Pa. He grew up to be so kind, thoughtful and he truly loved the Lord. I love that he wanted to share God's word through the wonderful ministry of Gideons Bibles.

Karen Macaleer - April 28, 2025 at 10:50 AM