

Dean Charles Kent
March 25, 2022
Age 69
Middleburg Heights, Ohio

Dean Charles Kent died on March 25, 2022 at age 69 in Middleburg Heights, Ohio.

He was survived by his wife, Phyllis, and his children Kristal, Julie, Jennifer Olson (Alan), and Michael (Layla), as well as his beloved grandchildren Brooke, Nathan, Kelly, Brendan, Lyla, Ryan, Colleen, Kevin, Scarlett, Rosalie, and Levi Michael. He was also the dear son of Jean Lamparyk Kent, son-in-law of Cora DeCapite, and brother of Timothy, Susan (Phil) Urban, Barbara Gawloski, and Terri (Brian) Cleary.

Dean was preceded in death by his son, Adam, his father Eugene Kent, and his father-in-law Andrew DeCapite, as well as his sister Sandra Fruber O'Malley.

Dean's family wrote in his obituary that he was a man who loved God. "He was a good man, but he wasn't perfect," they wrote.

For nearly 40 years, he and Phyllis together owned carpet and furniture cleaning franchise named Duraclean Kent's Craftsmen Inc.

In addition to spending time with family and friends, Dean enjoyed gardening and music of all kinds. His love of Christmas and collecting antique ornaments grew into a successful eBay business that he shared with his wife. The Christmas trees he decorated were stunning and he collected many Nativity sets. Dean was an avid football fan of the Browns and The Ohio State University. He was outgoing and took every opportunity to share his Christian faith with strangers or someone he just met. His sense of humor and laughter were infectious and will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Our Lakewood High classmate Rob Corns remembered Dean as his best friend in high school, although they had lost touch in recent years. "He was my best friend, and, quite frankly, got me through a lot. He was truly a great friend. Rest in peace, Dean."