



## Kenneth Ross

August 1, 1963 - March 11, 2025

Kenneth Wayne Ross, 61, of Scopus, died Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital.

He was born August 1, 1963, in Cape Girardeau, MO to Tom and Virginia Seyer Ross.

Kenny and Donna Kay Todt were married October 23, 1987, at Guardian Angel in Oran.

Kenny joined BioKyowa on February 6, 1984, as one of the original team members at the plant. His previous work experience with Capital Painting and Drywall, Trane Company (commercial refrigeration and heating) and the maintenance department at Holiday Inn. During his time with BioKyowa, Kenny worked in many areas of the facility: Fermentation operator, Maintenance and Instrumentation Technician, Production Supervisor, Process Superintendent, assistant to the Operations Manager and Maintenance Manager. He worked in the original Lysine Plant, an expansion (CG7), food grade production and maintenance operations over the years.

Under his leadership in the maintenance department, an energy conservation was initiated, and the Computerized Maintenance Management System (Maintain X) program was put into place. Kenny was scheduled to retire in

April 2025 and would have been the last of the initial team members to retire. When Kenny wasn't hard at work, he also loved fishing, hunting, shooting guns and tinkering but most of all, he loved spending time with his growing family.

Survivors include his wife, Donna Kay Ross; three sons, Duncan (Madison) Ross, Cole Ross, and Devin (Megan) Ross; mother, Virginia Ross; two brothers, Tim (Georgie) Ross and Kevin Ross; two sisters, Regina Sander and Cindy Ross; mother-in-law, Mary Todt; granddaughter, Sutton Ross and a grandson expected in late May. Kenny is also survived by numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Tom Ross; brother, Steve Ross; sister, Robin Ross; brother-in-law, Kevin Sander; sister-in-law, Sandy Todt; and father-in-law, Bob Todt.

Funeral Service will be at 10:00 am Monday, March 17, 2025, at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau with Fr. Daniel Belken officiating

The visitation will follow the service at 11:00 am to 1:00 pm on Monday, March 17, 2025, at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to American Cancer Society, PO Box 28566, Saint Louis, MO 63146.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com).

Ford & Sons Funeral Home - Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

MAR 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel  
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Visitation

MAR 17. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

CB

“ Donna, Duncan, Cole, Devin, & family - I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Christy Bollinger - March 20, 2025 at 04:41 PM

DE

“ You have my deepest condolences at this time of your great loss. Donnie and Theresa Essner

Donnie Essner - March 18, 2025 at 09:31 AM

KY

“ Donna, my condolences to you and your family. Prayers for you. It seems like yesterday when you and Kenny got married. Take care. Karen Young

Karen D Young - March 16, 2025 at 11:04 PM

KC

“ Ky Lake Crew purchased the Simply Elegant Spa thiphyllum for the family of Kenneth Ross.



Ky Lake Crew - March 14, 2025 at 10:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Kenneth Ross.*



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March 14, 2025 at 03:27 PM



“ *As the saying goes...  
Jack of all trades...Master of none  
Kenny ~you were the exception  
Jack of all trades...Master of All  
Love you Brother Your Void will be hard to fill...  
♥♥ Cindy*

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**Cindy Ross** - March 14, 2025 at 01:59 PM



“ *Donna, I am so sorry to hear this news. I have fond memories of Kenny from HS. I remember him as having a great smile and funny sense of humor. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.  
Sincerely,  
Dana (Owens) Kondrad*

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**danakondrad** - March 14, 2025 at 10:21 AM



“ *Donna and Kevin my thoughts are with you in this time. And from all our employees that worked with Kenny through the years he will be remembered and missed. Peace be with you*

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**Gene REutzel** - March 14, 2025 at 09:19 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kenneth Ross.

March 13, 2025 at 06:35 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Kenneth Ross.



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kenneth Ross.

March 13, 2025 at 06:31 PM



“ Memories 44" Sonnet was purchased for the family of Kenneth Ross.



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“ Ripsch Family (Gina & Matt) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth Ross.

Ripsch Family (Gina & Matt) - March 13, 2025 at 06:26 PM

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“ Ripsch Family (Gina & Matt) purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Kenneth Ross.



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**Ripsch Family (Gina & Matt)** - March 13, 2025 at 06:26 PM

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“ Your friends at Torch Electronics planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth Ross.

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**Your friends at Torch Electronics** - March 13, 2025 at 12:32 PM

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“ Your friends at Torch Electronics purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Kenneth Ross.



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