



## Robert Kembel

June 3, 1951 - February 18, 2021

Robert Leonard Kembel, 69, of Oak Ridge, Missouri died Thursday, February 18, 2021 at Saint Francis Medical Center.

He was born June 3, 1951 in Saint Louis, Missouri to Robert and Mary Kathryn Finley Kembel.

He and Debra Ervin Kembel were married October 30, 1971 in Cape Girardeau.

He served eight years in the National Guard.

He served thirty-two years at the Cape Fire Department. He retired in 2007 as a Battalion Chief. He truly was dedicated to family. He was an awesome husband, father, uncle, cousin and friend.

Robert loved to work on the farm and loved the animals.

Survivors include his wife, Debie Kembel of Oak Ridge, Missouri; one son, Paul Scott Kembel of Oak Ridge and one brother, Michael Dennis (Diane) Kembel of Cincinnati, OH.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. at Cape Girardeau Fire Station #1.

Memorial contributions may be given to the Cape Girardeau City Fire Department.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR **10**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Cape Girardeau Fire Station #1  
1 S. Sprigg Street  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63703

# Tribute Wall

KS

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your dear Bob. He was such a good man and so wonderful to my dear Wayne. May God be with you and a great comfort to you in this time of grief. Hugs, Kathie Stroder

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**Kathie Stroder** - February 24, 2021 at 08:35 PM

KJ

“ I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. May God provide the comfort, peace, and understanding needed at this time.

*Ken Pemberton, Jr.  
CHS Class of 1992*

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**Kenneth C Pemberton Jr** - February 22, 2021 at 08:49 AM

JD

“ Debbie and Scot my heart was do saddened when Kris called me about Bob's passing. May you all find peace, comfort and healing for your journey ahead. God is carrying all and giving you all strength. I know how important your faith is and family and friends are holding all up for comfort. Judy, Kris and Craig Kight.. 🙏💔

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**Judy Dooley** - February 21, 2021 at 08:48 PM

JB

“ Debbie and Scottie - so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers - Love you, Joy Lynn and Tim

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**Joy Benton** - February 21, 2021 at 08:47 PM

RJ

“ *Debie and Scott:*

*I am so sorry to hear about Bob. You know how fond we were of him and your family. Some of my best memories of the Fire Department are of working with him. His wit and his smile are the kind you never forget. Even a bad day was made better when he was around. A gift in his memory will be made to the Fire Department.*

*Rick and Juan*

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**Rick and Juan** - February 21, 2021 at 08:22 PM



“ *Sincere Condolences on Bobs passing. Bob & I worked a couple of summers & Saturdays for Rich Koggee Surveying back in the 60's, when he lived on Bessie next door to the Koggee's.*

*I stopped by CGFD about 3 weeks ago and left my contact info hoping we could talk about old times some day. Sorry we didn't get the chance.*

*Take Care*

*God Bless !!!*

*Sam Brown*

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**Sam Brown** - February 21, 2021 at 08:26 AM



“ *Debie,*

*Bob will always have a special place in my heart. He could light up any room and will certainly be missed by many.*

*Andrea Carter-Little*

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**Andrea Little** - February 20, 2021 at 09:15 PM

MM

“ Debie and Scotty, deepest condolences on the loss of such a good husband and father. Having worked with him at the Fire Department, he was a man that you knew was sincere, could be trusted with your life, was quick with his wit and humor, and enjoyed life. He will be sorely missed by all who had the privilege to know him. God's peace to you.

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**Micheal Morgan** - February 20, 2021 at 10:21 AM

MS

“ Debbie and Scottie I'm so sorry to hear about Bob! I know he will be missed! Our prayers are with you all!

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**Marcia Stpne** - February 20, 2021 at 09:20 AM

CS

“ We all grew up at Red Star Baptist church. The kemmel's were a fine family. Bio by will be missed. Prayers for Debbie and Scott

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**Cara Chapman Sprigg** - February 20, 2021 at 08:36 AM

DB

“ Bobby was a great friend, classmate and Christian Brother. My sincere condolences to Debbie and Scotty. Dennis Bertrand

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**Dennis Bertrand** - February 20, 2021 at 01:54 AM

JF

“ *Debbie & Scott, please except our sympathy. I am so shocked of his passing.  
I have such wonderful memories working with him & running into the two of you.  
May God strengthen you.*

*Jim & Vicki Frank*

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**James Frank** - February 19, 2021 at 07:38 PM

MH

“ *Bob was a very fine man, I really enjoyed talking with him years ago at Hobbs Chapel. My God bless Debbie and family*

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**Mr. Kim Hindman** - February 19, 2021 at 02:51 PM

LR

*My sincerest condolences on the passing of Bob. May you find peace in the good memories. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

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**LaDonna Ruebel** - February 19, 2021 at 09:31 PM

TK

*Debie, praise the Lord he gave you such a good husband as Bob. He will be missed. Our prayers are with you and Scottie at this time. I will try hard to bring Mom to the memorial service when planned. We love you and are praying for grace and comfort from our Savior.  
Love and Prayers. Teresa Keeton*

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**Teresa Keeton** - February 20, 2021 at 09:17 AM

MK

*RIP Big Brother!*

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**Mike Kembel** - February 20, 2021 at 09:26 AM

BS

*Debbie and Scott*

*So sorry to hear of Bob's passing. We went to Hobbs Chapel with your entire family many years ago. What an awesome family you are. Such good memories of you all.*

*May God comfort you at this time knowing Bob is Home seeing all those he loved that went before him.*

*Praying for you and Scott.*

*Barbara Sides*

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**Barbara Sides** - February 22, 2021 at 05:04 PM