



## Ken "Beaver" Greetan

November 29, 1965 - March 31, 2020

Kenneth M. "Beaver" Greetan, age 54, died unexpectedly of natural causes on March 31, 2020. Ken was born in Green Bay, WI on November 29th, 1965.

Ken grew up in Oconto Falls, WI. Shortly after high school he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. Ken served as a Navy Corpsman after graduating Naval Hospital Corps School and served at Naval Hospital Lemoore in California. After the Navy, Ken graduated from NWTC and worked at the Green Bay Correctional Institution. On June 21st, 1995 Ken married the love of his life and best friend, Carrie, at St. Bernard's Parish in Green Bay. They shared a love of music and enjoyed going to concerts together. In honor of his father-in-law Pokie, Ken was a member of the Knights of Columbus. Ken was also a proud father and grandfather. Later in life Ken suffered from addiction, but he never let his addiction define him. He worked hard to overcome this and help others in their times of need. In January 2020, Ken graduated from Northeast Wisconsin Veterans Treatment Court. Through all of his struggles, Ken was one of the most giving people and treasured his time spent with his family and grandson, whom he loved very much. Ken never said "no" to lending a helping hand and was a volunteer at the VA clinic in Green Bay. He loved campfires, fishing, grilling, the Green Bay Packers, and riding his Harley.

Ken will be greatly missed by his wife Carrie and two daughters: Andrea Jurgilanis and husband Sterling, and Christina Hope Greetan and special

friend Timothy; one grandson, Nico; his aunt Polly Greetan; his brothers Justin and Jason Greetan; and many other relatives.

He was preceded in death by his sister Hope Lynn Greetan, father Maynard Greetan, uncle Roger Greetan, father and mother-in-law Arlyn and Ione Bitters, and one of his best friends and brother-in-law, Tom Bober.

Due to the current COVID-10 pandemic, a private funeral service for Ken will be held for the immediate family. A Celebration of his life will be held at a later date when gathering restrictions are lifted. In lieu of flowers a Memorial Fund is being established in his name.

# Tribute Wall

BS

“ Oh Carrie, Andrea, and Christina my heart breaks for all of you hearing this sad news. Carrie, my friend, well done on a beautiful tribute to the man he was in all of our lives. He was a wonderful man and friend to Jessica and myself. He stepped up to the plate as a father figure in her life from a very young age. We first met when our daughters were in daycare back in March, 1998. You embraced Jessica and I and welcomed us into your lives as part of your family. I cherish all of the memories we shared throughout the years. You and Aunt Polly and all of your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Much love, Barbie xoxo

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**Barbie Stern** - April 12, 2020 at 01:37 PM

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“ There was never a dull moment with Ken Greetan!!! He lived life to the fullest! There's nothing that I saw that that guy was afraid of he tried everything!!! There is a literally nothing he couldn't do and when he did try something he put 150% into it that's for sure. He kept his friends close he always popped in on people to see how they were doing share a laugh a story scare the crap out of them when they were in the grocery store anything he could do to make somebody smile!! There wasn't a time when we didn't go out in public where he didn't give some little boy a girl a dollar and tell him to put it in their piggy bank. One time we went to Regina's seven pillars psychic store on Main Street in de Pere. When we walked in the door literally a big gust of wind came in with him and twirled on the room. One of the psychics peeked her head out of her door and said. "What on earth just came in!! There is several spirits that just came in the door that are full of mischief!!!" Lol. That was Ken!!!! She told him he was a warrior in his present time and he was a fighter and a guardian of people!! That is exactly what he is doing right now at his young age. I think with all his demons that he fought his whole life he realize that he could be of more help to his friends as an angel than he could on this earth!!! That was Ken!!! He always no matter what the pain and struggle was that he was going through always put others first. For that sacrifice I want to thank you my friend!!! I think the thing I will absolutely miss the most is his ability to give the biggest bear huggs a man could give!!!! Didn't matter if you wanted one or not!!! You where getting one!!! Till we meet again dear friend!!

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**Carrie Greetan** - April 10, 2020 at 12:46 PM

JF

So sorry for your loss Carrie. RIP Beaver!!!! Prayers and hugs your way.

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**Jerry Fischer** - April 10, 2020 at 02:06 PM

CW

*My sympathy to Kens family. I worked with Ken at Ethan House in the 90's, he did a lot to help the troubled youth there. Always honest about his struggles. Loved his family dearly! May God hold you all close.*  
Carol Wautlet

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**Carol Wautlet** - April 10, 2020 at 04:43 PM

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*Our hearts will always hold Ken's memory, and legacy of generous love and happy, caring ways that he was towards us, our kids, as Grampa to sweet Nico! We extend our sincerest sympathies to you all.*

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**April Gilman Smith** - April 10, 2020 at 11:40 PM

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**Barbie Stern** - April 12, 2020 at 12:22 PM