



Kenneth H. Chappel; 90

FITCHBURG -- Kenneth H. Chappel, 90, a longtime resident of the Fitchburg-Leominster area died Monday, Feb. 20, in HealthAlliance Leominster Hospital, after an illness.

His wife of 53 years, L. Barbara (Roy) Chappel, died in 2002.

He leaves two daughters, Gail H. Haueisen of Fitchburg and Debbie Walsh and her husband, Joe of County Mayo, Ireland: 8 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren and nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a sister, Lenore MacCraken.

Ken was employed at the former General Electric plant in Fitchburg as a Fabrication Welder for many years. After his retirement, he was a driver for MART for several years.

He was a longtime member of St. Camillus Parish in Fitchburg, The Knights of Columbus, Joseph P. Keating, Fitchburg Council #99 and the Irish American Association. He enjoyed bowling, darts and traveling.

Ken was a Veteran of [World War II](#), serving in the [U.S. Navy](#) in the Asiatic Pacific Theatre as a Seaman First Class.

He was born in Ayer, MA on August 8, 1926, a son of the late Warren and Ester (Tulson) Chappel.

CHAPPEL -- Ken's funeral with military honors will be held on Thursday, Feb. 23, from the [Smith](#)-Mallahy-Masciarelli and Fitchburg Chapel of the Sawyer-Miller-Masciarelli Funeral Home, with a Mass at 11 a.m. in St. Bernard's Parish at St. Camillus Church, 333 Mechanic St., Fitchburg, MA. Calling hours at the funeral home are Wednesday, Feb. 22 from 5 to 7 p.m. Interment will be at a later date in Westlawn Cemetery, Littleton, MA. Flowers may be sent or memorial contributions may be made to the Montachusett Veterans Outreach, 268 Central St., Gardner, MA 01440 or may be left at the funeral home. Please visit [www.masciarellifamilyfuneralhomes.net](http://www.masciarellifamilyfuneralhomes.net) for further information. John F. Masciarelli, Funeral Director.

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