



Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr.

October 8, 1957 - April 10, 2026

Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer, Jr., age 68, of Sweetwater, Tennessee, entered the gates of heaven surrounded by his family and friends on Friday, April 10, 2026. He was born on October 8, 1957, in Athens, Tennessee. Kenny was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Elaine Archer; his daughter, Lindsey; his son-in-law, Brandon; his grandchildren, Quinn and Archer, who were the light of his life; brother, Gary Archer, and sister, Lisa Archer. He was preceded in death by his parents, Kenneth Edward Archer, Sr. and Sarah Archer. Kenny graduated from the University of Tennessee College of Pharmacy in 1980, where he met the love of his life, Elaine. Following graduation, he returned home to Sweetwater to join his father at Archers Family Pharmacy and Total Home Healthcare where he was a pharmacist and owner for over 30 years. He was widely respected for going above and beyond the call of duty, often opening his pharmacy in the middle of the night to ensure patients received the care they needed. His compassion and commitment left a lasting legacy, including his involvement with individuals struggling with addiction through the Tennessee Pharmacist Recovery Network, where he impacted countless lives. Beyond his professional work, Kenny remained deeply engaged in his community throughout his life. Most recently, he served on the Sweetwater Hospital Association Board of Directors, where his leadership, wisdom, and dedication continued to benefit the community he loved. A faithful member of

First Baptist Church of Sweetwater, he served as a deacon and lived out his faith through service, kindness, and generosity.

In retirement, Kenny enjoyed his many passions, including golfing, scuba diving, photography, traveling the world, and attending Tennessee Volunteers football and basketball games. Above all, he cherished time with his grandchildren, Quinn and Archer, whom he adored beyond measure.

Kenny will be remembered for his servant's heart, his unwavering dedication to others, and the love he shared with his family, friends, and community. His life reflected his faith, and his family finds comfort in knowing he has heard the words, "well done, good and faithful servant," as he entered into the joy of his Lord.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, April 16, 2026, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Sweetwater, 303 Wright St., Sweetwater, TN 37874, with a service to follow, officiated by Dr. Leonard Markham and Rev. Jason Pounds. Burial will be held on Friday, April 17, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at Sweetwater Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to Sweetwater First Baptist Church Finish the Vision Fund.

Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. www.kykerfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 16. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church Sweetwater
303 Wright St.
Sweetwater, TN 37874

Funeral Service

APR 16. 7:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church Sweetwater
303 Wright St.
Sweetwater, TN 37874

Interment

APR 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

Sweetwater Memorial Park
1838 Hwy 11 N
Sweetwater, TN 37874

Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr.*



Kyker Funeral Home - April 16 at 09:07 AM

TB

Kenny was living as a light of friendship to many, in every way possible. I'm so sorry he is no longer here. God bless and comfort his family and all that knew him. Heartfelt prayers for all.

Tracy Bowers - April 16 at 03:38 PM

LW

Kenny was very likeable person and always had the kindness smile for everyone I was so glad I had the chance to meet him and Elaine while taking care of your dad he will be missed and Elaine he will always be with you in your heart and he will be watching over you to along with J.D love and prayers are with You guys and family love Lora

Lora Wyrick - April 19 at 07:43 PM

CE

“ *Cameron Evans lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr.*



Cameron Evans - May 12 at 10:10 AM

TS

“ Tracy Schmitt sent a virtual gift in memory of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr.



Tracy Schmitt - May 06 at 12:21 PM

TS

“ Tracy Schmitt sent a virtual gift in memory of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr.



Tracy Schmitt - May 06 at 12:20 PM

TS

“ I remember going into the pharmacy and getting my medicine back in the day he was such a sweet guy.



Tracy Schmitt - May 06 at 12:19 PM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..

April 16 at 10:40 AM



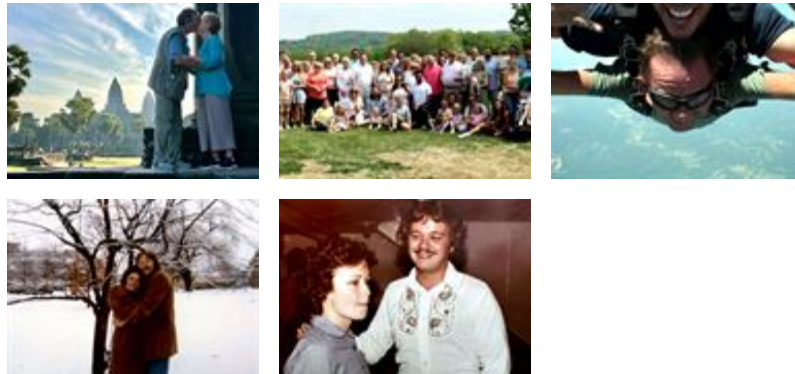
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Kyker Funeral Home - April 16 at 09:03 AM



“ 92 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Kyker Funeral Home - April 15 at 02:58 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences to Elaine and family Kenny will be missed he wasn't just a friend I considered him family praying for family and friends. Patrick Harper and family.*

Patrick Harper - April 14 at 10:35 PM

NP

“ Nancy Plemmons lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr.



Nancy Plemmons - April 14 at 06:02 PM

NP

Kenny i just talked to you as you were coming home from the hospital. I was so hopeful that you would get better.. You are were one of the kindest people I have ever met and you will be missed by everyone who knew you. Rest in peace. Heaven gained a true believer in the Lord.

Nancy Plemmons - April 14 at 06:08 PM

AS

“ *Thinking of the family. Kenny and Elaine were the best to my Mamow Ruth Todd, as was Kenny's mom and dad. Their love for her was always appreciated. I have fond memories of visits in Sweetwater and when the Archer family visited me in Florida. Sending hugs and love. I will be making a donation to the church in his name from Jim and I. Love, Angela Saunders*

Angela Saunders - April 14 at 02:45 PM

NB

“ Nancy and Bob purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..



Nancy and Bob - April 14 at 02:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..

April 14 at 12:05 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose* was purchased for the family of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..



April 14 at 12:05 PM



“ Tafton K. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..

Tafton K. - April 14 at 09:55 AM



“ *Kenny was one of the sweetest and kindest people I ever knew. He helped me with the Japanese students at TMG by filling their prescriptions and donating two hospital beds. He was there for me at Sweetwater Hospital helping me with paperwork needed for prescriptions. His kind smile and laughter will always be with me. I will always miss my friend. Prayers to the family, I know he will be missed.*



Mickey DeLand - April 14 at 09:51 AM



“ *Ringed by Love was purchased for the family of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..*



April 14 at 07:05 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..*



April 13 at 08:02 PM



“ *My deepest condolences goes out to The Archer Family.I was glad I had the chance to meet Ken he was should an great person . I will truly miss talking to him at the gym.I will continue to pray for the family & Elaine. I'm still lost for word's. FIP my friend Dennis Rodgers*

Dennis Rodgers - April 13 at 12:34 PM



Elaine I am so sorry about Kenny. He was such a kind soul. He didn't know me but I knew him through your love for him every time you talked about him. Please know I am praying for you and your daughter and grands. I pray that God will just engulf your family in his loving arms through this difficult time. ❤️❤️❤️

Betty Cusick - April 13 at 06:50 PM

RF

“ Rita Emerton & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..



Rita Emerton & Family - April 12 at 10:09 PM



“ Kenny was a friend & inspiration. He always met me with a big smile. You left a big hole Kenny but I'm glad I knew you. Rest well my Brother.

Doak Woodruff - April 12 at 10:08 PM

SR

“ I met Kenny years ago on a mission trip. He made a lasting impression on me and my church community. No doubt he's with the Lord. Praying for you all.

Shelby Roberts - April 12 at 10:07 PM

HW

“ Kenny was known as " Uncle Kenny" to all our family because he was such a warm, sweet , and caring man that he made you feel a part of his family. Especially children, like my grandsons that he always made feel special when he was around them .
His Christian light shined concerning helping people overcome addictions and concerns about small pharmacies .
He is an example to us all about giving back to your community and everyone around you .



Honei Macy Woods - April 12 at 09:50 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..

April 12 at 09:40 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..



April 12 at 09:40 PM



“ I'm so very sorry for your loss. Kenny was a very sweet person. He was always nice and sweet to me when I came to pick up my medicine. He will truly be missed by all who knew him 💜🙏



Dian Bishop - April 12 at 08:02 PM



“ I am thinking of you Elaine and Lindsey and family in this time of sadness. I always thought a lot of Kenny and his parents. I know he will be greatly missed. I am sorrowful but at the same time rejoicing that he with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Sarah Cannon Guignard.

Sarah Guignard - April 12 at 07:03 PM

PH

“ I've known Kenny for many years. Robert and I always thought of him as a great friend and wonderful person. He and I are one month apart in age(he in October and me in November). My condolences to his family he will be missed.

Patricia Hunt - April 12 at 06:52 PM

KF

“ Kathy Frye lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr.



Kathy Frye - April 12 at 06:42 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr..



April 12 at 06:02 PM



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April 12 at 06:02 PM



“ *What a wonderful person you were, Kenny. Everyone at Sweetwater Hospital and Physical Therapy Services will miss you so much! You and I differed in our political leanings, but you were always always kind and I appreciate that. Thank you for the time and service you gave to others with your work in the addiction recovery community and I always enjoyed our discussions about that. Thank you for your impact and legacy as a hospital board member and as just a lovely person in our community. My heart goes out to your sweet family.*



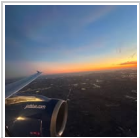
Paige Longwith - April 12 at 05:45 PM



“ *Laura Thompson lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr.*



Laura Thompson - April 12 at 05:32 PM



“ *Keep the praying alan martha sanders*

Alan Sanders - April 12 at 05:23 PM



“ *Michael Miller lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr.*



Michael Miller - April 12 at 05:02 PM

GC

So sorry for your loss.

Steve and Gail Clark

Gail Clark - April 12 at 05:32 PM


Michael
Miller

“ *He was a great friend to me I'm praying 🙏 for his family he brought me a picture and the rest of them that work down there he is going to be missed by everyone 😭 God Bless 🙏 and be with his family in this hard time. God Bless 🙏*



Michael Miller - April 12 at 05:00 PM

DR

“ *Diane Raulston lit a candle in memory of Kenneth Edward "Kenny" Archer Jr.*



Diane Raulston - April 12 at 04:53 PM

DR

“Kenny and I have been friends practically our whole lives. We grew up together and stayed friends throughout our lives. I have so many memories that include him. He was a very special guy who was always willing to help people and listen without judgment. The song “Thank You for Giving to the Lord” comes to mind because he helped so many people. He loved his family and friends and he loved the Lord. His sense of humor and his great advice and that positive attitude will definitely be missed. The world lost a beautiful light but heaven gained a faithful servant. See ya later my precious friend 🙏👉 Diane Raulston

Diane Raulston - April 12 at 04:53 PM