



## Kenneth R. Gargan

May 6, 1953 - April 7, 2019

PEPPERELL: Kenneth R. Gargan, 65, of Pepperell, formerly of Townsend and Danvers, died Sunday, April 7, 2019 at his residence.

Mr. Gargan was born in Lowell, May 6, 1953, one of five children born to the late Raymond and Anne (Madden) Gargan and was a 1971 graduate of Danvers High School. He continued his education at Bates University, Lewiston Maine, where he received an undergraduate degree, Yale University, New Haven Connecticut, where he received a Graduate Degree, and the Institute of Paper Chemistry Appleton in Wisconsin.

He resided in Townsend for several years before moving to Pepperell nine years ago.

He leaves his wife, Sandra J. (Freeman) Grogan Gargan; his son, Sean P. Gargan of Pepperell; two brothers and sister in law, Mark and Carol Gargan of Byfield, Michael and Janet Gargan of Danvers; two sisters and brothers in law, Joan and John Barnes of San Francisco, CA, Kathy and Mark Steen of Philadelphia, PA.

For nearly forty years Mr. Gargan worked as a processing engineer at Hollingsworth & Vose Company in West Groton. He was an active member of the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness in Pepperell and very much enjoyed preaching from the Bible. He was an avid New England Patriots and Boston Red Sox fan. He also enjoyed fishing, biking and hiking.

A time to remember and celebrate Ken's life will be 4-7 PM Friday, April 12th at the Anderson Funeral Home, 250 Main Street (Rte 119) Townsend Center.

Graveside services will be held 11 AM Saturday at Hillside Cemetery, Highland Street, Townsend. At 3 PM there will be a memorial talk at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 141 South Road, Pepperell. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to JW.org. For more information or to leave an on line condolence, please visit their website at [www.andersonfuneral.com](http://www.andersonfuneral.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Hillside Cemetery

Highland Street  
Townsend, MA

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

APR 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Anderson Funeral Home - Townsend  
250 Main Street ~ Route 119  
Townsend, MA 01469  
(978) 597-2692

## Graveside Service

APR 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Hillside Cemetery  
Highland Street  
Townsend, MA

# Tribute Wall

MP

“ *Mary and Larry Pierce purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Kenneth R. Gargan.*



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**Mary and Larry Pierce** - April 13, 2019 at 12:03 PM

JG

“ *Never knew Ken but from the comments it appears that he was much like his sister Kathy. My condolences to the family.*

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**joe geaney** - April 12, 2019 at 03:28 PM

RP

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Rick A Pageau** - April 12, 2019 at 01:22 PM

MG

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**Milind Godsay** - April 12, 2019 at 11:03 AM

RP

*Ken was an amazing friend and coworker and always a pleasure to work with. Ken will be sadly missed by many. Your friend Rick P.*

Rick A Pageau - April 12, 2019 at 01:38 PM

EN

“ *Ken was to me, the co-worker that you just want to spend more time with. Always generous with his knowledge, smiling through tricky situations and achieving so much without celebration.*

*One day, as I was waiting at the barber for my turn, Ken walked in and I vividly remember feeling a great sense of ease come over me. I can count on one hand how many others in my life have had that ability.*

*I will miss Ken but remember him with all the warmth and kindness that he shared.*

*Ed Nee*

Ed Nee - April 12, 2019 at 07:29 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Kenneth R. Gargan.*



April 11, 2019 at 10:17 PM

DF

“ Ken was an amazing person. Smart, Funny, Caring, and most importantly - patient. He taught me so much about paper making ... and then I'd make him do it all again just so I made sure I got it right! And you know what - he never complained ... at least not to my face :) I really enjoyed working with Ken. I will miss our discussions about work and chit chats about life. I enjoy seeing all the memories and pictures of him posted in this feed. Ken, you are so missed - throughout all of H&V. There wasn't one person you didn't impact. I wish your family all the love and support needed to get through this tough time.  
With deepest condolences,  
Dara Feddersen

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**Dara Feddersen** - April 11, 2019 at 04:54 PM

JW

“ My sincere condolences to the Gargan family. Ken was a pleasure to work with, knowledgeable, resourceful, helpful and caring. I will miss him.

John Wertz

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**John Wertz** - April 11, 2019 at 04:43 PM

DM

“ To the Gargan family,  
It was a very sad day for me when I was told Ken had passed away, I meet Ken in 1999 at the west Groton mill for the first time, and from that time until he passed away I have great memories of how helpful he was to me and others over that time. He was one of the nicest person I have ever meet, he always had a smile and was very polite. You know in life you can be lucky to meet a great person and for me it was Ken. Ken was one of those people you never found it hard to talk to him about anything, he was very knowledgeable about most things in life. I will miss him.  
Derek Mower at H&V Winchcombe.

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Derek Mower - April 11, 2019 at 11:17 AM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Kenneth R. Gargan.



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April 11, 2019 at 10:15 AM

RT

“ Sincerest condolences to Ken's family. I worked with Ken for more than 20 years and knew him as a smart, hardworking, caring guy who was always more than happy to help out. He earned your respect - one of the best.

Rick Tefft

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Rick Tefft - April 11, 2019 at 07:20 AM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Kenneth R. Gargan.*



April 10, 2019 at 10:01 PM



“ *Zhang Yude (John) purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Kenneth R. Gargan.*



**Zhang Yude (John)** - April 10, 2019 at 08:18 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Kenneth R. Gargan.*



April 10, 2019 at 07:28 PM



“ *Sandra, I am so very sorry to hear of Ken's passing. My deepest sympathy to you and your family.*



**Cheryl Lutcza** - April 10, 2019 at 04:56 PM

MG

“ Ken and I shared a similar background as we both graduated with our MS degree from the Institute of Paper Chemistry in Appleton (albeit a few years apart). I met Ken for the first time back in 1985 after returning to West Groton having worked a short stint in East Walpole and a year at the Apizaco plant in Mexico. We worked closely together over the next 34 years on multiple projects and took many trips together to run process trials both in the US and in Germany. He was my navigator, my mentor, my colleague but I am most proud to say he was my friend. His appetite to share his wide spread knowledge was immense and his unwavering ability to solve problems is well recognized at H&V. I will miss him dearly as will everyone that knew him well. – With great sadness, Milind Godsay

Milind Godsay - April 10, 2019 at 03:34 PM

WG

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Wayne Gardener - April 10, 2019 at 01:38 PM

DS

So sorry for your loss...thinking of you. Deb & Lawrence Library staff

Deb Spratt - April 10, 2019 at 03:16 PM

GS

With great sadness I got notice about the passing. I would just like to express my most heartfelt sympathy to the family.

In memorial,  
Gudrun Schoening

Gudrun Schoening - April 11, 2019 at 04:26 AM

AK

“ I worked with Ken occasionally over the last few years. He was loved by all his colleagues for his caring nature and willingness to help out others when he could. I will remember him as a great engineer who made significant contributions to H&V and a great teacher with willingness to help others. I will miss you Ken!

*Amogh Karwa*

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**Amogh Karwa** - April 10, 2019 at 10:27 AM

AD

“ I met Ken in 1990 when I visited first time USA mills. He was a support man in my visit and I remember his serious mode, but also had a frank smile for me. I hope to see him in heaven. Adolfo Diaz from Apizaco, Mexico.

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**Adolfo Diaz** - April 10, 2019 at 10:13 AM

D(

“ To the family of Kenneth R Gargan, I work at H&V Winchcombe England, I am so sorry for your loss. While Ken was in Winchcombe, I picked up so much from him and I always liked his can do attitude. Ken was a genuine bloke with a heart of gold, he always took an interest in others and was happy to just have a chat about anything. He will be missed by many here.

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**Dave Deverell-Jones (Chalky)** - April 10, 2019 at 10:01 AM

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**Mark Gargan** - April 10, 2019 at 08:18 AM

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**Michael Gargan** - April 10, 2019 at 08:08 AM



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**Michael Gargan** - April 10, 2019 at 07:52 AM



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**JB** - April 09, 2019 at 11:24 PM

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**Steve & Jessie Hyde** - April 09, 2019 at 07:28 PM

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**JB** - April 09, 2019 at 03:41 PM



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**Janet Gargan** - April 09, 2019 at 01:57 PM

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**Michael J Gargan** - April 09, 2019 at 01:06 PM

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**Michael J Gargan** - April 09, 2019 at 01:04 PM

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**Michael J Gargan** - April 09, 2019 at 01:01 PM