



David William Kelch

October 2, 1949 - September 29, 2025

In Loving Memory

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David William Kelch, 75, of Saint Augustine, Florida, passed away peacefully on September 29, 2025. Born with a deep sense of service and devotion, David dedicated 32 years of his life to the United States Navy, where he proudly built a career defined by honor, commitment, and sacrifice. A true patriot, he carried his love for country and family with equal pride.

David is survived by his beloved wife, Loretta; his sister, Judy (Kelch) Letourneau and her husband Zig; his children, Stephanie (Kelch) Triplett and her husband Sean, David Kelch and his wife Rockie, and Stephen Kelch and his wife Rebecca. He also leaves behind a legacy of love in his many grandchildren and great-grandchildren: Derian, Nicole, Andrew, Jordan, Madi, Alex, Kaitlyn, Alyssa, Savannah, Mel, Oliver, and Theo.

To his family and friends, David will always be remembered for his steadfast strength, kind heart, and unwavering dedication. He was a husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend who brought warmth and guidance to all who knew him.

A memorial service to celebrate David's life will be held on Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at Saint John's Family Funeral Home, 385 SR-207, Saint Augustine, FL 32084. Family and friends are invited to gather, remember, and honor a life well lived. His memory will live on in the hearts of all who loved him.

<https://iframe.dacast.com/live/2a7a09ae1c0559a83ef537e05e6a14a6/2aae7d5f-98fd-a9e6-32a7-b774547cf42c>.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Johns Family Funeral Home
385 SR 207
St. Augustine, FL 32084

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of David William Kelch*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - October 07, 2025 at 03:06 PM

BH

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Bruce Herman - October 09, 2025 at 09:56 PM

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“*Dave, the respect you earned as a Mustang Officer was forged through leadership, sacrifice, and unwavering commitment. Qualities that did not end with your last day in uniform nor your last day on earth, but qualities destined to be carried on by those you led, mentored, and inspired. Your passing does not mark the end of your legacy. Rather, it is your final set of orders – to a post of eternal watch standing, now among those who have gone before you. You remain, now and always, a revered member of the most exclusive of all fraternities: that of the United States Navy. Your Shipmates salute you. We all remember you. And we bid you, with full hearts, “Fair Winds and Following Seas” and of course “Clear Skies and Steady Decks.”*

CDR Bruce Herman, US Navy (Ret) - October 06, 2025 at 10:21 PM

RW

“*Ron, Anna Marie, Owen and Kyle Walton purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David William Kelch.*



Ron, Anna Marie, Owen and Kyle Walton - October 06, 2025 at 06:04 PM

KN

“*Kerby & Barb Noren purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of David William Kelch.*



Kerby & Barb Noren - October 06, 2025 at 05:57 PM

KG

“ Kathleen G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David William Kelch.

Kathleen G. - October 06, 2025 at 04:40 PM

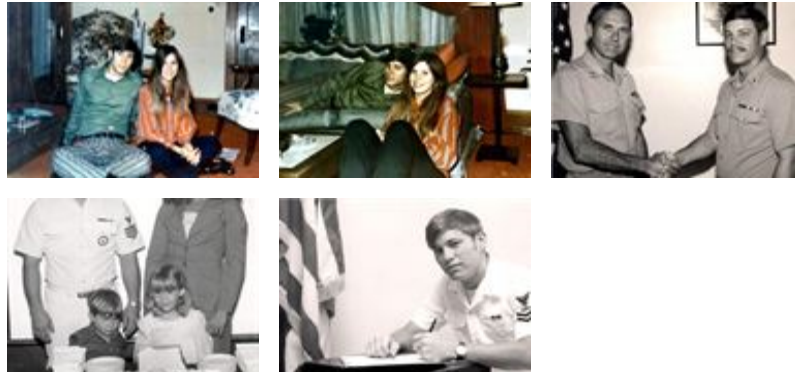
KG

“ Dave Kelch was an amazing Supervisor. He was always kind, with humor and always professional. I will always be grateful to him for being able to serve the Navy to retirement. God will take care of him as he took such great care with all of us.

Kathleen Gebhard - October 06, 2025 at 04:35 PM



“ 65 files added to the album Life Tributes



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - October 06, 2025 at 02:46 PM

FV

“ From IV and Kathy Velez purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of David William Kelch.



From IV and Kathy Velez - October 06, 2025 at 02:44 PM

FV

“ From IV and Kathy Velez planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David William Kelch.

From IV and Kathy Velez - October 06, 2025 at 02:44 PM

LJ

“ Love, Tony and Noreen Jones purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of David William Kelch.



Love, Tony and Noreen Jones - October 06, 2025 at 02:33 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David William Kelch.



October 06, 2025 at 11:21 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David William Kelch.

October 06, 2025 at 11:21 AM



“ *Fall Fantasia was purchased for the family of David William Kelch.*



October 06, 2025 at 09:13 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David William Kelch.*



October 05, 2025 at 03:52 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David William Kelch.*

October 05, 2025 at 03:52 PM



“ *ATC Family purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of David William Kelch.*



ATC Family - October 04, 2025 at 09:57 AM

AF

“ ATC Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of David William Kelch.

ATC Family - October 04, 2025 at 09:57 AM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of David William Kelch.



October 03, 2025 at 04:32 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David William Kelch.

October 03, 2025 at 04:32 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David William Kelch.



October 03, 2025 at 02:53 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David William Kelch.

October 03, 2025 at 02:53 PM

NP

“ *New Brighton Area Police purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David William Kelch.*



New Brighton Area Police - October 03, 2025 at 12:06 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David William Kelch.*



October 01, 2025 at 06:34 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David William Kelch.*

October 01, 2025 at 06:34 PM

SI

“ *Sree Divya Itta lit a candle in memory of David William Kelch*



Sree Divya Itta - October 01, 2025 at 01:31 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David William Kelch.



October 01, 2025 at 11:03 AM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of David William Kelch.



September 30, 2025 at 02:49 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of David William Kelch.

September 30, 2025 at 02:49 PM



“ Yank Deez Family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of David William Kelch.



Yank Deez Family - September 30, 2025 at 01:42 PM