



Worthington "Ted" B. Kemp

September 30, 1957 - August 9, 2025

Worthington (Ted) Kemp (67) was called home to be with Our Lord on August 9, 2025. Born to B.B. and Ellen Kemp of Welcome, Maryland, on September 30, 1957, he was raised on their family farm. As a young boy and teen, he helped out on the farm with raising steer, hogs, and planting/harvesting crops.

He attended middle school at Leonard Hall Naval Academy and marched with the rifle team in the Thanksgiving Day parade in Washington D.C. Following his graduation from Ryken High school, he attended the University of Maryland, earning a Bachelor's degree in Engineering.

Ted's career began in construction. He started as a laborer, was a member on a survey team, he was promoted to job cost estimator with many years as a senior project manager. He worked for various construction companies through the years, but found his "home" at Jacobs - a global building company. For over 30 years, Jacobs gave him the opportunity to work on interesting and challenging projects - embassies, hospitals, prisons and even the White House. Some of Ted's favorites were Northwest Memorial Hospital (Chicago, Illinois), Argonne National Laboratory (Argonne, Illinois) and the National Museum of the Marine Corp (Triangle, Virginia). He was the go-to guy for knowing what was needed from start to finish. No detail was too big or too small, and he thought of them all from bio-security measures to the very last screw and placement of the front door. He was always ready to share his

vast knowledge providing guidance every step of the way. Ted was a favorite mentor among those new on the job and instilled confidence to those who sought out his advice.

Ted's vast knowledge of many topics served him not only at work but also at home. He was a dreamer. For seventeen years he dreamed of going back to his family farm —the one he thought he couldn't wait to leave after graduating from college. Working on designs for the house he envisioned for his family was a major occupation. All the years of dreaming and investment of his love, heart, and soul finally happened in 1999 when he, his wife, and two daughters moved into the "House that Ted Built."

A man of many talents, Ted could engineer, MacGyver, or math his way to a solution. It didn't matter who you were or what you needed, he was there with a solution and a smile. In addition to being "Mr. Fix-it," Ted was also an entertainer. He loved a well delivered punch line with an elaborate story and a clever ending. He kept many laughing with his well-timed jokes corny or not. Ted got enjoyment from your laughter as well as your grimace. It didn't matter which as long as you shared in the joke with him.

Ted is survived by his wife Jane Kemp, daughters Katelin (Kemp) Brower; husband Adam Brower, Jessica (Kemp) Yeckley; husband Benjamin Yeckley, and five grandchildren: Luke, Carmella, and Marcella Brower and Caleb and Sophia Yeckley.

He is also survived by his siblings Benjamin Bowling. Kemp, Jr. and his wife Cindy Kemp, Margaret (Kemp) Lange and her husband Stephen Lange, Virginia (Kemp) Shegogue and her husband Michael Shegogue and David Kemp and his wife Christyne Kemp.

Ted will be missed dearly and will be remembered by many. To his family, he

will be remembered as a hard worker, great provider, and jokester. We love you.

A viewing will be held on Wednesday August 20th from 10:00AM to 11:00AM at Raymond Funeral Service, 5635 Washington Ave, La Plata, MD 20646. The prayer service and interment will be held at the gravesite directly after, St. Ignatius Catholic Church, Chapel Point, 8855 Chapel Point Road, Port Tobacco, MD 20677. We ask that you please leave your cell phones, I-watches, and other electronic devices in your vehicle as we all say our final goodbyes and lay Ted to rest. The family will welcome everyone to share in a meal following the burial.

Cemetery Details

St. Ignatius Catholic Church Cemetery

8855 Chapel Point Road
Port Tobacco, MD 20677

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Service , P.A.
5635 Washington Avenue
La Plata, MD 20646

Graveside Service

AUG 20. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Ignatius Catholic Church Cemetery
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Interment

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Tribute Wall

BS

“ I just learned of Teddy's passing. He spent many hours partying/ visiting with us in the 70's/ 80's from Welcome. Scott's Store, Milo's Store and numerous parties/ visits to a group of us on Firetower Rd. Great memories! Sorry for your family's loss.

Bertie Posey Spalding - August 22, 2025 at 01:51 PM

AS

“ I supported several of Ted's projects and have so many fond memories of him. He was always kind and funny, even when things were busy or stressful, and he always had a good wildlife story to share. He even brought in a shed antler that Angus had found for my dog. Ted had a warmth, presence, and good humor about him that made the day better. You couldn't help but appreciate that he put care into his work, and equally that he had a rich family and home life to be proud of too. I will miss him. I remember him telling me about a snapping turtle's nest that he protected, so I think he would have liked that I moved the little female box turtle across the road in the direction she was headed today. With prayers and my deepest regards and condolences for your entire family --Alex

Alex Siess - August 20, 2025 at 07:08 PM

OC

“ My favorite memory of Ted is a simple one from when I first started on the FBI Program back in 2020. I was overwhelmed and nervous to the point of constant anxiety. I had to call Ted one day to discuss some scopes while building the IMS. What was supposed to be a quick, 15-minute, nerve-wracking call turned into a warm, two-hour conversation. We connected over OBO past performance, shared stories (and those jobs certainly have stories), and he patiently walked me through the team, the program, and the scopes for each project. That call was such a reassuring welcome — it made me feel like I was truly part of a great team. From then on, Ted became my go-to person for questions, troubleshooting, and brainstorming. I will miss him deeply. Rest in peace! Olesea

Olesea Caziuc - August 20, 2025 at 01:56 PM

MY

“ I remember meeting Ted and Jane when my son Ben took their beautiful daughter Jessica as his wife. I so enjoyed talks with Ted at family gatherings about his job and his many travels. I was mesmerized by his life. He also talked with pride of his growing family. We will all miss you Ted. Rest in the outstretched arms of Our Lord. I prayed for his healing but Christ had different plans. Share your peace and comfort with your family and all who loved you, as only you can do in the presence of Christ.

Mary Ann Yeckley - August 19, 2025 at 10:08 PM

SB

“ Oh Ted, after 25 years of working together and many projects, I'm so sorry to hear you are gone. You always talked about your family, how proud you were of their successes. They must miss you something awful. I will 'estimate' this was a shock, and I wish I knew them but let me try to give some advice to them. - The shock will settle, the rawness will get better, theb memories will always be there. I recommend getting yourself a special box. Not a drawer, not a boring brown one, but something you can put stuff in and not lose. When you find that little thing you don't want to forget, the card he gave you for that special event, or a memory you write down to tell your children about one day. The collection helps you on a bad day, and it can help you remember him always. Sincerely, Stephanie Bridgewater

Stephanie Bridgewater - August 19, 2025 at 06:54 PM

RS

“ My prayers and condolences to the Kemp family on the loss of Ted. I worked with Ted over 29 years at Jacobs. Ted was a joy to work with and will be dearly missed. Continue to keep all of the happy memories alive. Stay strong during this difficult time.



Renee Seegars - August 19, 2025 at 01:57 PM

RR

“ Robert R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Worthington "Ted" B. Kemp.

Robert R. - August 19, 2025 at 08:49 AM

TF

“ The White Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Worthington "Ted" B. Kemp.



The White Family - August 18, 2025 at 08:25 PM

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“ The Yeckley Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Worthington "Ted" B. Kemp.



The Yeckley Family - August 18, 2025 at 03:26 PM

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