



Keith Moody Retzer

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K eith Moody Retzer was born February 15, 1944, at Albert Lea, MN. While he was a preschooler, he and his family lived in Brazil. He attended two years of High School in Mexico City. He graduated from High School in North Riverside, IL.

He attended & graduated from Ottawa University, in Ottawa, KS and DeVry Technical Institute in Chicago, IL. While at Ottawa, he met and married Vi. He worked as engineer and sometimes announcer at various radio stations throughout IL, NE, IA, OR, & MT. 1979-1980 the family served as short term assistants with Wycliffe Bible Translators at Yarina, Peru, where Keith repaired electronics and radio equipment for the missionary airplanes. In 1988 he moved his family from Missoula, MT to Pittsburg, KS, where he took the job of chief engineer at KRPS at Pittsburg State University. When he retired, he became Chief Engineer Emeritus of PSU. An avid stamp collector, his other main hobby was HAM radio.

He operated under the call signs W7KEU, OA8AX (while in Peru), and after returning to Kansas, WOKEU. Keith was preceded in death by his parents, Eldon and Opal. He is survived by his wife of the home, Vi; his brother, Kent Retzer (wife Jeanne) of Rockford, IL; his daughter of the home, Faith; his daughter Joy Stahl of Elkhart, KS, and grandsons Wesley Stahl and Kelson Stahl. A memorial service will be scheduled by the family at a later date. (No flowers or other plants, please.)



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Dan Devaul posted:

I'll always remember Keith's voice as one of the first amateur radio operators that I communicated with back in the mid 1970's as a teen in high school in Corvallis, Oregon. He was working as a station engineer at the time for at least one of the local broadcasters in the mid Willamette Valley. He was very knowledgeable about radio engineering and was always quick to offer useful technical advice. I lost track of him over the years after moving out of Corvallis. I'm sure everybody he knew misses his calm character and wisdom. My condolences to his family, friends, neighbors and fellow volunteers -
- Dan DeVaul WB7ECV -- Arlington, WA

July 19 at 10:07 PM

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Susan A Robinson posted:

I didn't know Keith but I worked with and knew his daughters Faith and Joy. Sending my sympathies to his family as they cope with his passing.

June 28 at 3:32 PM

JS

Joy Stahl posted:

Love you, Dad.

June 28 at 9:11 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Keith by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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