



## David Christopher Key

November 22, 1955 - June 8, 2020

David Christopher Key, 64, of Rockford died on June 8, 2020. Born on November 22, 1955 in Prairie du Chein, WI, son of Gerald and Roberta (Piercy) Key. Graduate of East High School class of 1974. United in marriage to Anna Mvumbe on September 9, 2006. David retired from Warner Lamert (Pfizer). He was a talented writer of short stories and plays. Survived by his wife, Anna Key; step-children, Kelvin (Lindsay), Ekari and Victor Kabwaibwai; grandson, Nova Kabwaibwai; siblings, Russell (Laurie), Todd (Rose), Thomas (Mary), Susan and Robert (Trang) Key; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceded in death by his sister, Lisa Darnell parents, and beloved son, Yamiko "Miko" Jerra Key. Funeral Mass on June 16, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church, 428 N. 2nd Street; Rockford. Father Leonard Jacobs will officiate. Interment in Scandinavian Cemetery. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services is assisting the family. Share a memory or condolence at [www.graceFH.com](http://www.graceFH.com).

# Previous Events

## Mass

JUN **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church  
428 N. 2nd Street  
Rockford, IL

## Graveside Service

JUN **16**. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Scandinavian Cemetery Association  
1700 Rural St.  
Rockford, IL 61107

# Tribute Wall

TK

“ *My Dear Brother. Its hard to lose some one you've known your whole life. I will miss your humor. I will miss your laugh. Mostly, I will miss your kindness. May God bless you.*

Tom Key - July 01, 2020 at 02:22 AM

TB

“ *My dear brother, I ask God why do bad things happen to good people. I have no answer. It's difficult to lose someone forever who's been in my entire life since I was born. You were a very good person. Kind, generous and caring. If it were possible I would gladly have taken your pain away. So sad to have watched you suffer in pain the way you did. I love you Dave. You will be missed.*

Thomas Key, brother - June 18, 2020 at 01:24 AM



“ *David you were a perfect match to my sister Anna....you have been a good gift from God to us (Mvumbe family) Rest in peace my inlaw...*

Amu Mvumbe - June 15, 2020 at 06:14 PM

NN

“ *Our deepest condolences to Anna, the boys and the entire Key Family. We are all saddened by David's demise but we are hopeful that one day we will meet again in God's glory. He will forever be in our Hearts. Rest in Eternal Peace David Chris Key.  
The Mvumbe Family.*



Niadi Nyangulu - June 14, 2020 at 09:39 AM

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**Niadi Nyangulu** - June 14, 2020 at 09:37 AM

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CM

“ Chikondi Angella Mvumbe lit a candle in memory of David Christopher Key



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**Chikondi Angella Mvumbe** - June 14, 2020 at 02:12 AM

CG

“ R.I.P. David. My condolences to your family. I enjoyed working with you at Warner Lambert. We talked a lot about life and history. I learned a lot from you. You will be greatly missed.  
Corliss Y. Gray

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**Corliss Y. Gray** - June 13, 2020 at 02:46 PM

RK

“ *My brother David was the kindest person I've ever known. He taught me so much about life during the times we spent together. He was incredibly intelligent, kind, funny and caring. I couldn't have asked for a better brother and I'm so sorry he's gone and I will never get to spend another moment with him. God bless you, Dave. I hope to see you again someday.*

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**Robert Key** - June 12, 2020 at 05:25 PM

OL

*I agree with you Robert.., your brother David was very kind and a wonderful friend during and after high school. I was very blessed knowing him. God bless. Overt*

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**Overt Lexvold** - June 22, 2020 at 02:20 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David Christopher Key.*



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June 12, 2020 at 08:12 AM