Kenneth Ford Hamilton Sr.

October 26, 1932 - January 21, 2026

Kenneth F. Hamilton Sr., 93, of West Chester, Pennsylvania, passed away peacefully on January 21, 2026 in West Chester. Born on October 26, 1932, in Wilmington, Delaware, Ken was the son of Leonard and Elva (née Ford) Hamilton. He was a graduate of Brown Vocational High School, Class of 1950.

On February 26, 1955, Ken married the love of his life, Beryl Marie Collins, at Brandywine Methodist Church. Together they shared more than 70 years of marriage. Ken dedicated over 44 years of service to DuPont, beginning his career in the Wilmington Shops. His work took him and his family to Gloucester City, New Jersey; Plains, Pennsylvania; Concord, California; and Kingwood, Texas, before he ultimately returned to Wilmington, where he completed his career.

A proud veteran, Ken served his country during the Korean War with the 1st Cavalry Division, 8th Regiment, Headquarters Company. He was also a 32° Mason in the Scottish Rite and a longtime member of Armstrong Lodge No. 26 AF & AM in Newport, Delaware.

Ken was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Beryl, who passed on July 21, 2025, as well as his siblings: Ruth, Leonard, Raymond, Beverley, and Jane. He is survived by his brother, Wayne Hamilton and sister Lois Drummond; his children Ken “Chip” Hamilton Jr., Greg Hamilton, Suzanne

Hamilton, and Donna Hamilton; his grandchildren: Christina, Ian, Caitlin, Sean, Christopher, and Kelly; and his great-grandchildren: Alexis, Xander, Rylee, and Jeffrey.

Family and friends are invited to attend a visitation on Monday, February 2, 2026, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home, 635 Churchmans Road, Newark, DE 19702. Burial will take place afterward at Gracelawn Memorial Park, 2220 N Dupont Hwy, New Castle, DE 19720. For directions or to send an online condolence, please visit www.stranofeeley.com. Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home 302-731-5459

Cemetery Details

Gracelawn Memorial Park

2220 N. DuPont Highway
New Castle, DE

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **2**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Strano & Feeley Family Funeral Home
635 Churchmans Rd.
Newark, DE 19702
(302) 731-5459

Service

FEB **2**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Burial

FEB **2**. 12:30 PM (ET)

Gracelawn Memorial Park
2220 N Dupont Hwy
New Castle, DE 19720
(302) 654-6158

Tribute Wall

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Thank you for your service to our country Mr. Hamilton. The Windsor's were blessed to have you as our neighbor. There is comfort knowing you are with the Lord and with Mrs. Hamilton. Debbie Windsor Sidell

Debbie Sidell - February 01 at 06:44 PM

CH

My memories of my Father are many; some funny, some sad, some poignant. What comes to mind now was a trip up to Connie Mack Stadium to watch the Phillies play. At the end of the game I can remember exciting through a door in the right field wall. Holding my Dad's hand, those Klieg lamps blazing down on us and that grass that just smelled like baseball. At least to a 9 or 10 year old boy. I'll miss you Dad.

Chip - January 28 at 09:22 PM

DA

Sincere Condolences to the Hamilton Family. Chip, your Mom and Dad's kindness will always be felt and remembered. Rest now Mr. & Mrs. Hamilton, and may your Essence continue to live within all those you have touched. 🙏🏼

Darlene - February 01 at 02:46 PM

i am so sorry he did not get to see me walk down the isle to getting married to john . you are in my prayers and chants. becky and john with family

Rebecca Gilbert - January 26 at 09:56 PM