



## Keith Drolet

July 31, 2017

Keith James Drolet, 67, of Lawrence, passed away at home on July 31, 2017.

Keith was born on April 11, 1950 to his hardworking parents, Alfred and Pauline (Gosselin) Drolet in Lawrence, MA. He attended school at Greater Lowell Vocational Tech, graduating with the Class of 1968, where he was the very first valedictorian to graduate from there. Keith worked as a sheet metal mechanic out of the local union hall. Always a man who was very mechanically inclined, he was a self-taught engineer. Keith's skill at metal welding was highly prized and was personally selected to weld for NASA, in particular for John Glenn. He was a very sociable man, who was very humorous and a very generous outlook on life. Keith was the type of man with no hesitation would give you the shirt off of his back. He touched many lives and will truly be missed.

Keith is survived by devoted brothers; Jerome P. Drolet and his wife Martha Ciardello of Derry, NH, and his twin brother, Kenneth Drolet and his wife Isabelle of Salem, NH. He was also the proud uncle to his nieces and nephews; Dawn Marie, Kenneth Jr, Scott, Jeremy and Carrie Ann. Keith is also survived by his uncle George Drolet. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sister-in-law, Sherrie L. Drolet.

Visitation for Keith will be held on Friday, August 4, 2017, 4:00 - 8:00 PM at the Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home, 233 Lawrence Street, Methuen, MA. A funeral service will be held during calling hours at 6:00 pm at funeral home. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Keith's memory to St Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. To leave an online condolence please visit <http://www.pollardfuneralhome.com>. The Kenneth H. Pollard Funeral Home is proud to serve the Drolet family.

# Comments

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“ Rest In Peace, Keith, old buddy. It's been a while but we had great times in the Valley back in the day. I hope the burdens of this life have now been lifted for you and you are at peace. Blessings upon your soul.

**Frank OConnor** - August 05, 2017 at 01:18 AM

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“ Rest in peace good friend. Wish we could have been at your funeral but we just learned of your passing and we live far away. I (Bob) remember our days cleaning strawberry plants at Lewis's Farm the same year President Kennedy was assassinated. You were the best worker in the barn cleaning more than 1000 plants per hour and making in excess of \$3.00/hour on piece work. A lot of money for the day. I remember our days golfing with my father and brothers. I remember our days skiing. You were a dare devil and a darn good skier. I remember the day you decided to try the BIG ski jump at Gunstock. Talk about the agony of defeat!!!! I thought you were dead after you tumbled to the bottom. I remember the day you rescued 4 guys whose car crashed into the Bay State gas station near Bee's Sandwich shop in Methuen and exploded. You told me we can't just watch them burn and ran into the blazing building not once but four times!!!! A true hero. I remember your pool dives from the 3 meter board at the Lowell Tech swimming pool. You were very good. I remember your cliff dives from the quarries in Manchester, NH which were 60 – 80 feet high. Most jumped. You dove and did flips!!!! I remember your 40 foot cliff dives on the Swift River at Coos Canyon in Maine. Everyone there was in awe. Diane and I remember our double dates, our many trips to the dog tracks where you were always a winner. We remember our roller skating double dates. You even roller skated from Lowell to Nashua to visit us once. We remember our many party days where you kept everyone laughing. You were our best man at our wedding. Our lives took us in different directions over 40 years ago and we lost contact. We pray you are at peace in heaven.

Bob and Diane Gallagher.....

**Bob and Diane Gallagher** - August 04, 2017 at 10:40 PM

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“ Uncle Keith,  
You will always have a special place in my life. Growing up you gave me memories of nothing but fun, laughter and good times. You always made time to hangout and spend time with us. Weather it be telling jokes around the kitchen table or playing video games till all hours of the night. Thank you for being a part of my life and I'm proud that I share more than just my last name with you. Rest in peace. I take comfort knowing your with Meme and Pepe.

**Scott Keith Drolet** - August 03, 2017 at 05:17 PM

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“ Uncle Keith,  
I will always cherish the fond memories and easy way you had about you. The smiles and laughter you brought to all, you will forever be in our hearts. May you rest easy now and enjoy the glories of heaven with Meme and Pepe.

**Dawn Marie LaPanne** - August 02, 2017 at 06:40 PM

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“ So sorry about keith , i'll always remember his sence of humor , i think about some of his pranks when we were kids , and have to laugh , keith was my cousin , and i hope hes in a better place

**Robert theberge** - August 02, 2017 at 05:38 PM