



## David John Reth

August 11, 1965 - December 25, 2022

David John Reth of Baltimore, MD passed away on December 25, 2022, at the age of 57, at Hospice Gilchrist Center in Towson, MD. His battle over the years showed his courage in facing life's challenges with a smile. Despite the pain, Dave came out a hero and stayed strong until the end.

Dave was born on August 11, 1965 in Springfield, Massachusetts. He graduated from Eastern Vocational Technical High School in Baltimore, MD in 1985. While attending EVT, Dave met the love of his life, Kimberly. David and Kim married on November 24, 1989, and soon after welcomed their first child, Anthony. In short work, the family grew to four with the birth of their daughter Kaitlyn.

Through the years, Dave enjoyed bowling, cars, going out with friends, and spending time with his family. He loved visiting Ocean City, making multiple trips per year with friends and family frequenting his vacation home in Selbyville, DE.

Being a grandfather, referred to as Opa, came naturally to Dave. His warm heart and infectious smile brought joy and laughter to his granddaughters,

Avery and Peyton. His granddaughters loved swimming, swinging, riding in the Jeep, and going to the beach with Opa.

David is survived by his wife, Kim, his son Anthony Reth and wife Emily, daughter Kaitlyn Rayman and husband Zacharie; two granddaughters, Avery and Peyton Reth; his father John Henry Frederick Reth III and his wife Joyce; his twin-brother Dennis Reth and wife Chrstitina, sisters, Cheryl Monius and husband Michael, Christina Kunkowski, and April Giersi and husband Frank; late mother-in-law Patricia Kennedy, father-in-law Leroy Kennedy and wife Jeanne, sister-in-law Christina Steg and husband Christopher, and late loving dog Brunswick.

Also survived by many nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

David lost his battle against prostate cancer. His family wishes to extend a special thanks to the dedicated staff of the Johns Hopkins Hospital and Gilchrist Towson Hospice Center.

Family and friends will honor and celebrate David's life in the way he would want to be remembered - as a loving and caring man.

Visitation will be at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church, 10003 Bird River Road, Middle River MD 21220 on Saturday, January 28, 2023 from 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.simplicitycfs.com](http://www.simplicitycfs.com).

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Prostate Cancer Foundation: [https://cure.pcf.org/site/Donation2?df\\_id=2441&mfc\\_pref=T&2441.donation=form1](https://cure.pcf.org/site/Donation2?df_id=2441&mfc_pref=T&2441.donation=form1)

# Tribute Wall

KI

“ I miss you more and more every day my love. Please wrap your arms around my Dad as we prepare to celebrate his life tomorrow. The two men who loved me the most are gone. Continue to watch over us. All my love , Me 💕💕

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**Kim** - March 31, 2023 at 05:56 PM

NI

“ Hope these flowers remind you of Dave's bright positive attitude!  
Lots of love!

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**Nina** - January 14, 2023 at 08:40 AM

AR

“ Sorry to hear about David . Sending condolences to you and your family.

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**Aranza Rodriguez** - January 10, 2023 at 06:47 PM

SK

“ Dave was a great husband, father and grandfather. He always lit up a room when he walked in a room. He will be greatly missed. Rest in peace my friend. Love 💕💕 Paul and Sue Koermer

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**Susan Koermer** - January 07, 2023 at 09:26 PM

BS

“ David John Reth

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**Blair Graham Smallwood** - January 06, 2023 at 04:15 PM

BS

“ My work husband Dave.... my first day i was told Charlie would show me how to lock up. \“Well, my name's not Charlie, its Dave Reth and I'll show you how to do things right around here so you don't show me up too bad!\”. We were connected ever since. I'll miss our talks but i know you're always around..

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**Blair Graham Smallwood** - January 06, 2023 at 04:14 PM

SF

“ Mr. Dave was always so nice to me when I was younger at the Bowling Alley. He worked with my mom and I thought I was big stuff. He put up with me and straightened me out with a smile and a shake of his head. I don't have a single memory of Mr. Dave without a smile on his face . I wish I would've been able to know him as an adult. I am so sorry for your loss.

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**Stephanie Greico Forbes** - January 06, 2023 at 03:35 PM

WS

“ Daves contagious demeanour will live on in myself and many others.

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**Warren Smith** - January 06, 2023 at 03:05 PM

PK

“ Good ole Dave. I feel so fortunate to have crossed his path in this life. He was the kind of human that made it feel like you knew him forever even if it had only been a week. So down to earth and kind. We used to be Skype buddies. “Hey Dave...I have a hard ticket and I can't figure it out!” “I got you..just sent you something else”. Even if it was a message to say “good morning” or “haha you flushed your keys down the toilet” he was just always lighthearted and fun to talk to! I will never forgot him serenading the room with “Love that chicken from Popeyes” during lunch. Im pretty sure he wasn't even eating chicken. I will never forgot his love for life and the way he made every day a good day. Not just for himself but everyone around him. Everyone loved Dave! Everyone! Rest easy my friend!

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**PJ King** - January 06, 2023 at 02:56 PM

JP

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We know you have so many wonderful memories of Dave. These memories will help you get through this difficult time.

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**Joe and Donna Plumer** - January 02, 2023 at 04:03 PM

CM

“ Dave was one of the most loving, happy people I knew. He worked hard for his family and loved them just as hard. I am not a touchy person and he always gave me hugs and a smile every time he greeted me. He and my husband shared a lot. Good and bad. Long conversations and walks, many smiles, laughs and inside jokes. Dave was special, he wanted to enjoy life and just have fun with people who he loved and made him happy. He would tell anyone listening that my husband was his brother and he meant it. We loved and will miss him but he has left that legacy of love to his family. Enjoy people, enjoy life and love people hard. If we continue to do that his memory will never be lost.

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**Christina Monroe** - January 01, 2023 at 04:47 PM

KM

“ My Sincere Condolences to the Reth family, friends and colleagues.\nDave I will miss your hard work, but most of all, your smile and kindness.\nGod has taken back his Angel.\nUntil we meet again.

Karlean Moss-Queen - December 31, 2022 at 11:47 PM

NH

“ Dave dave dave...the one man who could push my buttons to the brink i more then once told him \"he was going to end up bloody in the parking lot\" he pushed us..he pushed me to do the very best...ive rarely respected a person as much as i respected this man..he demanded more of me and was willing to push me..yet he was also willing to listen and to love..he always asked about my family and was sincere in everything..dave was a man who respected everyone and i respected him at a high level for it..rest in peace buddy and demand in heaven that you keep yelling TICKETS TICKETS TICKETS!!!! love you dave

Nick harvey - December 31, 2022 at 11:37 PM

RK

“ Dave, Uncle Ray and I love you very much and miss your smiling face. We know you are in heaven watching over your family.

Raymond Kress - December 31, 2022 at 10:39 AM

DJ

“ David was one of the best guys that I ever worked with. He kept me laughing and sane when things were hectic. I always loved this guy like one of my own children. Dave you will be missed.\nLove you my friend....Denne

Denne Jenkins - December 31, 2022 at 12:45 AM

JA

“ So sorry to hear this ....I worked with Dave at the Bowling Alley when we were kids. Always smiling and joking. This is sad news.

Jeff Adamson - December 30, 2022 at 08:59 PM

LM

“ I miss you honey. My heart is broken, but I'm ok. The kids , our family and friends have been with me 24-7. Ave Harp told me last night she seen you, she saw your bright star watching over her. Continue to light up our lives and watch over us. Sweet dreams to our Christmas Angel, Rest Easy My Love! xoxo.

Love you always Me! - December 30, 2022 at 04:19 PM

CR

“ Very sorry to hear of David's passing. I had the pleasure of knowing David, Dennis & April at Kenwood High, then at EVT, and we were on the Cross Country team my Junior year. David was a kind and good natured guy. David, Kim, Dennis, April, and all of David's family & friends are in my thoughts & prayers.\n\nChristopher Rudolf

Christopher Rudolf - December 30, 2022 at 12:53 AM

FR

“ Kimmy I remember your daughters wedding how Dave was so happy and proud! Great father❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️

Frei - December 29, 2022 at 11:47 PM

BH

“ I am sorry for your loss seems all the wonderful people go way to early. I hope you all know I'm thinking of you and sending prayers and hugs.

Barbara Holter - December 29, 2022 at 09:36 PM

LC

“ Dave was an inspiration to all of us !! He battled hard and never complained.. If anyone could learn anything please follow in his honor and live life to the fullest and cherish every thing and every one you have in life... He will be truly missed by many and his memory will stay alive in all of us !!! Keep his wife , children and family's and their 2 beautiful granddaughters in your thoughts and prayers 💕. All our Love ... Leeanna and Vince

Leeanna Cancila - December 29, 2022 at 09:30 PM

MH

“ So sorry to hear about Dave. Always had a great time with him. Let us know if you need anything.

Missy Hodge - December 29, 2022 at 08:42 PM

AP

“ Crazy whee life takes us! I remember Dave in my younger days when he would walk over to Metro Food Market or when I would hang out at the bowling alley!\nNow, years later as the father of two of my friends, Rest in peace Dave Abe be that Angel from above for your family.\nMy thoughts and prayers are with all of you. ❤️ Alaina

Alaina Parsons - December 29, 2022 at 08:37 PM

PH

“ Sending prayers for the family of Dave Reth. Dave was a Great Guy with a Great Smile. Rest in Peace Dave\n\nPam Hartman and Family

Pam Hartman - December 29, 2022 at 07:33 PM

JU

“ Thanks for all the words of wisdom and advice.. you worked so hard and always had a positive outlook. You will be missed my friend!

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**Jamal Upshaw** - December 29, 2022 at 06:51 PM

LJ

“ Dave was such a great person who will be missed by so many.. The bowling alley will never be the same without Dave I can honestly say Dave made the leagues fun to bowl on, even when I was bowling bad it still was fun when Dave was around his Ah-Ha kept the atmosphere fun he was the most positive kind caring man and his love for his family and friends was most important to him...RIP Dave  
Gone way to soon you will never be forgotten

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**Linda & Steve Jimenez** - December 29, 2022 at 05:27 PM

GK

“ Thanks for being our great friend and sharing your family with ours. We will continue this sharing of family for you in honor of your life. Love you

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**George and Doni Kachnowich** - December 29, 2022 at 01:00 PM

MS

“ Dave was a dear friend that was always smiling, so fun to be around and so proud of his wonderful family. We will miss him immensely, but will cherish the fond memories of times together. Sending love to Kim and family. Rest easy friend.

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**Mike & Jen Stanko** - December 29, 2022 at 11:40 AM

JE

“ *What a breath of fresh air the earth lost this week. But our loss is Heaven's Gain. Dave was the nicest human I ever met. Always smiling. When I saw him a few weeks before his death and talking to him about how unfair this was, he told me he was so blessed in life - married for 33 years to Kim, saw his children grow up, graduate and get married, and he had two grandchildren. When he knew he was dying, sll he felt was blessed. Such a caring man.*

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**Jeannette Edwards** - December 29, 2022 at 10:56 AM

MH

“ *I first met Dave at Hawthorne bowling alley and bowled with him ,I can tell he would be the life of the party ,he was such a great guy to be around and proud to call him my friend, he will be missed, rip dave ,hopefully your bowling in heaven*

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**Mark Hasselbarth** - December 29, 2022 at 10:50 AM

MH

“ *THERE will never be a greater person than Dave Reth.My husband Tim said it best when we heard the news of Dave's passing...\" Only the great ones Pass on Christmas \"/>“ *Not good bye, see ya later Love ya Dave , AH-HA Giddy up !**

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**Missy and Time Harmon** - December 29, 2022 at 10:48 AM

JP

“ Dave, Kim, Anthony, and Kaitlyn have always been kind and welcoming to our family. When we moved into the Maple Ridge neighborhood Dave and the kids were riding their bikes and stopped to chat and welcome us to the neighborhood. We talked about our new homes and they invited us to come to see their house. It was beautiful and Kim was as warm and welcoming as Dave and the kids had been! We hung out a little thru the years and always had a good time, or they would stop and chat when they walked Brunswick around the neighborhood. Our son Eddie is a few years younger than Anthony and was 8 years old when we moved in and Anthony and Kaitlyn were always so nice to him! God Bless you all! The outpouring of LOVE I've seen on Facebook warmed my heart! Dave was an amazing guy and you are a wonderful family. We're so sorry he had to leave this earth, but I'm sure God has a great \nplan for him!❤️❤️❤️❤️ Joanne, Ed, and Eddie Pachilis

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**Joanne Pachilis** - December 29, 2022 at 10:41 AM

KM

“ I worked with Dave at Brunswick Perry Hall. What a dedicated and hard working man. He knew how to have fun and make the best of everything. From the house parties in the snow and ice to the league Bull Roasts at the fire hall. I will always remember Dave's face but will remember the smile and laugh more. Rest Easy, My Friend!

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**Kimberly Morosko** - December 29, 2022 at 10:36 AM

DL

“ Dave was such a wonderful guy who always said kind words. Love his smile. Kim you had a beautiful long marriage to be treasured forever. Love and hugs, Aunt Diane.

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**Diane Lewandowski** - December 29, 2022 at 10:16 AM

MP

“ My prayers go out to the Reth family. My heart is broken for you Kim. May you be at peace. Stay strong . \nLove,\nMarisa Pisano

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**Marisa Pisano** - December 29, 2022 at 10:09 AM

CP

“ Kim and family, I am so very sorry for the loss of such a wonderful man. He and I spent many nights at Brunswick closing that place down. So many awesome parties and always a great time. I'm just sorry that we lost touch with our busy lives. Dave will always have a special place in my heart. My thoughts and prayers go out to you all. Hugs and love to all.

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**Crystal Parker** - December 29, 2022 at 09:54 AM

EA

“ Dave was an all around nice guy. He lit up a room and you could hear him from a mile away. He was the life of the party and always has a smile on his face. He will be dearly missed

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**Eric Ash** - December 29, 2022 at 09:43 AM

JB

“ Dave was a breath of fresh air ! always smiling, nothing but positive words came from him, truly hurts but I know he is resting peacefully.

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**jillian Brewer** - December 28, 2022 at 08:17 AM

AR

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Simplicity Cremation & Funeral Services

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for David John Reth** - December 27, 2022 at 07:50 PM