



## Kenneth Robert Morris "Kenny"

June 17, 1955 - January 11, 2026

Kenneth Robert Morris "Kenny," passed away peacefully at his home in Los Osos on Sunday, January 11, 2026. He was 70 years old.

Kenny, a native of San Luis Obispo, was born June 17, 1955 in the Old Mountain View Hospital. He grew up on Loomis St. and attended Pacheco Elementary. He graduated from San Luis Obispo Senior High School in 1973. He attended Cuesta College and achieved his contractor's license, working as a general and finish carpenter. His expertise in finewood finish-work became Kenny's artistic expression that was appreciated by many home owners over the years.

Kenny had a sharp mind and wit about him. He was an avid reader interested in many topics, genres and subjects. His interests grew to include a love of music, concerts, guitars, artwork, geology, history, artifacts, mountain biking, and all things ocean-related. He had a deep appreciation for nature's beauty, its wonders and wildlife. He loved his animals: manx cats, chickens, and homing pigeons and grew orchids and exotic plants.

His biggest lifelong passion was surfing. Kenny was introduced to The Canyon while in high school making it his local surf spot. He became a regular fixture there along with a handful of other local characters. It was only natural that Los Osos became his cherished home on Estero Bay for nearly five decades.

He took his surfing passion abroad to Hawaii, Fiji, Indonesia, and more. He was a vibrant and well-known surfer who was strong, skilled, and steeped in

the traditions and nostalgia of the “Sport of Kings!” He embodied the bold, fierce, athleticism of surfing and proudly embraced it all his life. Many admired him for his dedication, charm, and humor.

Kenny was a local legend on the Central Coast, and he will be forever remembered. It is with great sadness that we say Aloha to our brother and friend. May we meet again over the rainbow!

Kenny was preceded in death by his parents; Harold “Botch” Morris and Lauretta Morris, his brother Michael Morris and his sister Eileen Van Matre. He leaves behind his brother John Van Matre, nephew Justin Van Matre, niece Meagan Van Matre Callahan, niece April Morris and nephew Sammy Morris.

On Saturday, January 31, 2026, we will have a Celebration of Life for Kenny. Please join together at 9:00 AM at Spooner’s Cove for a “Final Paddle Out.” All are welcome to this Aloha for Kenny.

The Paddle Out will be followed by a BBQ at 1:00 PM at the Red Barn in Los Osos. Please join us to celebrate Kenny.

Also, any donations may be directed to The Surfrider Foundation (<https://slo.surfrider.org/>) in memory of Kenny Morris.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 31. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM.

Spooner's Cove

## BBQ

JAN 31. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

The Red Barn  
Los Osos, CA 93402

# Tribute Wall

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“ Aloha Kenny sending you beautiful waves from Hanalei Bay, Kauai.  
"The most beautiful thing a person can leave behind is a smile on  
faces of those think of him." Forever Aloha & Smiles R.I.P

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**Nikki O'Connor** - January 25 at 07:25 PM

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“ Rest in peace Kenny. Catch a wave.

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**Diane Hollinger** - January 24 at 11:18 AM