



# Owen F. Koehnen

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**O**wen F. Koehnen, 67, of Hilo, HI, passed away on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at Hilo Medical Center. He was born in Hilo in September of 1951 and graduated from Hilo High School as well as attending Hawaii Preparatory Academy, was a Navy Vietnam War Veteran, a United States Postal Service retiree, and an active member and pillar of the Honoli'i Paka and surf community. His last successful project was the Kaipalaoa Landing Park also known as the Hilo Lighthouse on Bayfront.

A Celebration Of Life service will be held Saturday, June 22, 2019 in the upstairs of Mokuapapapa Discovery Center (the old Koehnen Ltd. building) in downtown Hilo. Service time to be announced at a later date.

He is survived by his mother, Carolyn Koehnen; three daughters, Pelehua (Pati) Koehnen-Sua, Tia (Alex) Ora-a, and Kamalei (Ross) Ebenezer; three sisters, Lynne Forbes, Helie (Rocky) Rock, and Kristi (Gary) Robinson; significant other, Deborah Billings; an aunt, four cousins, and 9 grandchildren.



## Tribute Wall

Owen F. Koehnen

LW

**L. Whitley** posted:

Koehnen family. We were saddened to read about your loss and want to express our heartfelt condolences. As family and friends continue to support you in the days to come, think about seeing Owen in a youthful world, full of happiness, doing all the things he loved, and where sorrow and pain will be a thing of the past.

April 26 at 1:21 AM

JV

**Joy Vasilakis** posted:

Such fond memories growing up with Owen as a big brother influence he will be missed our heart felt condolences from the Shepherd FamilyAlohaJoy

April 25 at 5:02 AM

JK

**John Kai** posted:

This was shocking to see that Owen passed away. I always enjoyed my interaction with Owen about the stock market, economy and politics. Very smart guy who took after his father! The Koehnen ohana was always so good to me and my family from the time we were tenants in the Koehnen's building till the day we left Hilo. My sincere condolences and prayers go out to Mrs. Koehnen a very sweet lady, brother Randy and sister Carol. Aloha. John Kai

April 18 at 3:48 AM

JC

**James Chow Hoy** posted:

My deepest and sincere sympathies go out to the Koehnen Ohana at this sad time. My relation with Owen goes back from 1976 - 1978 when he probably just got out of the Navy and making use of his G.I. bill benefits by attending Hawaii Community College in Machine Shop Technology. Unfortunately, I never got to work as a Machinist and I saw Owen working for the U.S. Postal Service. Those were fun times in our youth. It shocked me to see he passed when just a few weeks ago last month I ran in to him at Home Depot shopping around. Life is very short and we must enjoy each day for each day is a blessing. My prayers and condolences are with you at this sad time. God bless you all.Aloha,James Chow Hoy

April 16 at 6:06 AM



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**Barbara G Moir** posted:

Dear Carolyn, Lynne, Helie, Kristi, and all the Koehnen `ohana, the members of your Lyman Museum `ohana send our love and support to you at this very sad time. Our words are inadequate but they come from our hearts. I hope to join you at Owen's celebration of life service on June 22. Meanwhile, we are thinking of you with so much aloha--Barbara Moir.

April 15 at 1:13 PM



**Bill Walter** posted:

So sorry to hear of Owen's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during these days. The Koehnen's have always meant much to us and we are very sad to hear of Owen's passing. Bill and Adella Walter

April 15 at 10:06 AM



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