

James Karen

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Born	James Karnofsky November 28, 1923 Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, U.S.
Died	October 23, 2018 (aged 94) Los Angeles, California, U.S.
Nationality	American
Other names	Mr. Pathmark Tinch
Alma mater	Neighborhood Playhouse School of the Theatre
Occupation	Actor
Years active	1965–2012
Known for	Martin Frohm in The Pursuit of Happyness , Ben Hubbard in Superman Returns
Spouse(s)	Susan Reed (1958-1967; divorced) Alba Francesca (1986-2018; his death)
Children	With Reed: 1

James Karen (born **James Karnofsky**; November 28, 1923 – October 23, 2018) was an [American](#) actor. He was known for his roles as Martin Frohm in [The Pursuit of Happyness](#) and as Ben Hubbard in [Superman Returns](#). He also starred in [Poltergeist](#) and [The Return of the Living Dead](#).

Karen was born on November 28, 1923 in [Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania](#) to a [Russian-Jewish](#) family.^[1] He studied at [Neighborhood Playhouse School of the Theatre](#). Karen was married to Susan Reed from 1958 until they divorced in 1967. They had one child. He married Alba Francesca in 1986.

Karen died on October 23, 2018 in [Los Angeles](#) at the age of 94.^[2] The cause was [cardiopulmonary arrest](#).^[3]

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