



Jerry Lee Allen

June 7, 1950 - March 11, 2017

Jerry Lee Allen, age 66 of Clare, passed away peacefully at his home on Saturday, March 11, 2017 with his family by his side. Jerry was born the son of Claude and Maxine (Savercool) Allen on June 7, 1950 in Harrison, MI. On September 13, 1975 he was united in marriage to Karen Vought, his wife of 41 years. Jerry was a man of many passions. He was an avid painter, a nature lover, a WWI and WWII history buff, and he knew everything about any airplane ever constructed. His love for airplanes was recently honored with an award of excellence and key to the city of Clare for his outstanding contributions as an original member of the Clare Municipal Airport Advisory Board. Jerry was also a proud Veteran of the US Army (having served during the Vietnam Era), a proud graduate of Central Michigan University, and most importantly, the proud co-owner and operator of the Wee Care Child Care & Preschool, Inc. of Clare. Alongside his wife Karen, the couple has touched hundreds of lives since opening in 1989.

Jerry is survived by his wife Karen, his mother Maxine Allen of Mt. Pleasant, and four siblings Vernon Allen of Flint, Penny (Patrick) Nowak of Ohio, Rusty (Barbara) Allen of Flint, and Lee Allen of Mt. Pleasant. Other survivors include Jerry's nieces Cheryl Allen, and Rylee and Kali Lapham, best friends Ron and Linda Smades, and "adopted" kids Lee and Laura Cater and Katie and Zach Simon. Jerry was predeceased by his father Claude and his sister-in-law Barbara Allen.

In keeping with Jerry's wishes, cremation has taken place. A memorial service

in honor of Jerry will take place at the Clare Chapel of the Stephenson Wyman Funeral Home on Saturday, July 22, 2017 at 11:00 A.M. Memorial contributions in his honor are recommended to the MidMichigan Hospice and Homecare as the family was grateful for their service (special mention to Cate Bierlien). Friends may also leave an online condolence on the Allen family page at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 PM (ET)

Stephenson - Wyman Funeral Home (Clare)
1005 North McEwan St.
Clare, MI 48617
(989) 386-7451
wymanhf@chartermi.net
<https://www.stephenson-wyman.com/>

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Tribute Wall

KC

“ *KeyW Corporation purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Jerry Lee Allen.*



KeyW Corporation - July 20, 2017 at 07:09 AM

TL

“ *Our Discovery Toys family wishes your family condolences at this time. May Jerry's memory bring you Joy and happiness during this time.*

Terry Landa - April 08, 2017 at 12:53 PM

BC

“ *My most sincere sympathy Karen and family. You and Jerry helped Katie and me and so many others throughout the years that words can't express enough thanks and appreciation.*

Billie Cudney - March 23, 2017 at 12:40 PM



“ *Jerry was always learning new things and sharing what he learned with the daycare children. I will never forget years ago he was teaching himself German and also teaching the toddlers German! Jerry never limited the potential for learning he saw in himself and in the children whom he and Karen influenced every day. Jerry will live on in my heart and memory as an extremely talented, intelligent and funny brother.....in loving memory from his little "Sis"*



Lee Allen - March 18, 2017 at 08:05 AM


Autumn
Hopwood

“ *It is with love I send condolences to Karen and all of their family. Jerry was a true light and a role model to me as a future educator. He always knew how to make light of a situation and was always ready to help someone in need. The love and compassion that Jerry showed Karen and all the children at the daycare is something I will never forget. He will be missed.*

Autumn Hopwood - March 16, 2017 at 12:35 PM

PN

“ *He was a complex and brilliant man, but it was just recently that I found out how very compassionate he was as well. My brother, so gifted artistically and intellectually, cared deeply about how people would be at his passing. He made a phone call to me to make sure I would be alright, trying with all he had to make his passing okay for me. It was a call that I will remember to the end of my days and be grateful for, that was the kind of man he was. We have lost one of the best of us and he can never be replaced.*

Penny (Allen) Nowak

Penny Nowak - March 16, 2017 at 07:42 AM

RL

“ *I will always remember playing cards with Jerry. Road trip with the four of us. Up to the UP over to Ludington just for a drive. RIP our friend you will be missed.*

Ron and Linda - March 14, 2017 at 08:32 PM

JD

“ *Judy& Dean lit a candle in memory of Jerry
Lee Allen*



Judy& Dean - March 14, 2017 at 08:48 AM