



Mr. Earl Ray Allen

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Ray was so devoted to his grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, the family would like to continue that devotion to his grandchildren by asking for contributions to their college fund. Memorial contributions can be made at the link provided - <https://www.gofundme.com/f/ray-allen-memorial-scholarship-fund>

Earl Ray Allen, age 73, passed away on Thursday, August 29, 2019 in Nashville, Tennessee. Ray was born on August 6, 1946 in Nashville to the late Earl and Ruth (Burroughs) Allen.

Ray was active in the National Guard for seven years. He served the city of Nashville as a Metro Law Enforcement Officer for twenty years. He had a passion for photography, after his retirement from the police department, he started Southern Exposure Photography. He enjoyed anything to do with the outdoors, especially fishing. Ray can be remembered by his family and friends as a man that enjoyed helping people. During the last several years, his family was his life, especially his grandsons. He enjoyed spending as much time with them as he could – whether it was fishing, going to ballgames or just enjoying their stories. He was a member of the Dalewood Baptist Church and cherished the life that he had been blessed with.

Ray is survived by his wife of forty-nine years, Judy (Twilley) Allen; son and daughter-in-law, Jason Allen and Rachel; grandchildren, Jaxon, Maddox and Phoenix; brother, Roy Allen. Ray is also survived by a host of relatives and friends.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 from 12 noon until the time of the celebration of life service at 2 pm at Spring Hill Funeral Home with Jay Watson officiating. Interment will follow in the Historic Spring Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers will include; Jason Rowell, Eddie Anstey, Will Benz, Phillip Duncan, Jason Hitchcock, Ryan McDonald, Chris Smith, Jeremy Miller and Brent Hendrickson.

Spring Hill Funeral Home & Cemetery, 5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville, TN 37216 has been entrusted with the final care of Mr. Allen. www.springhillfh.com



Events

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Visitation

- Wednesday**, September 4, 2019
- 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM CT
- Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216



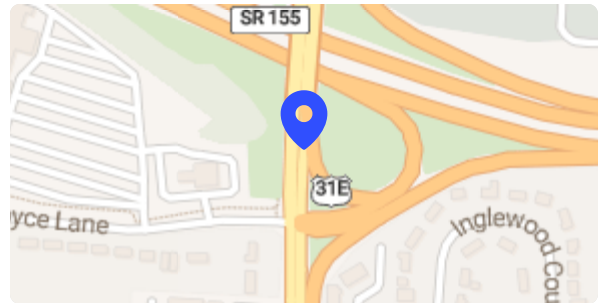
Celebration Of Life Funeral Ceremony

- Wednesday**, September 4, 2019
- 2:00 PM CT
- Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216



Cemetery Details

- Historic Spring Hill Cemetery**
5110 Gallatin Road, Nashville TN 37216





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PM

Phil Mitchell lit a candle in honor of Earl.

Wow I just found out Ray had passed. He did my daughter and my god daughters wedding photography. He was a good egg!

November 12 at 4:37 AM



Anonymous sent an A New Sunrise Spray to the Allen family.

September 2 at 2:03 PM



JH

Joe Hampton posted:

I first met Ray when we both worked at the Metro Police Dept. As others have said he always had a smile and words of encouragement, just an all around great guy. Judy, I pray that God will bless you, your family, and friends with the comfort only HE can provide. Joe Hampton, ENHS Class of 66

September 2 at 4:36 AM

RB

Rick Burroughs posted:

Ray, we have had some times since we were kids. You were more than a cousin to me. You were more like a brother. Even though I got that whipping when I was six for something you did, it's ok. I would gladly take two more just to have you back with us. I'm really sorry about the bachelor party. I hope Judy has forgiven me by now for that one. I already miss you my brother. Gods speed until we meet again. Rick Burroughs

September 1 at 6:37 PM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Allen family.

September 1 at 2:45 PM





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BF

Brenda Pope Ford posted:

I remember Ray in high school at ENHS. He was always smiling and friendly to everyone. I thoroughly enjoyed getting re-acquainted with him and his lovely wife, Judy when I attended the monthly dinners. I will miss him at those dinners and at our reunions. My prayers to Judy and the family. May God bless you all, and give you peace and comfort in the days to come. Brenda Pope Ford

September 1 at 2:11 PM



Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Allen family.



September 1 at 1:07 PM

KW

Kathy Watson posted:

I will never forget how my daughter Rachel as a young toddler at ballgames watching Jason and my Jay play softball would go say hi to Juwee and wrayKathy Rutherford Watson

September 1 at 10:01 AM



Rosalyn Horton posted:

Fond memories of Ray from the ENHS Class of 64. Last time I saw him was at one of our Tuesday dinners..always smiling. He was a great photographer. At our 50th reunion he took a headshot of me. It was so good it was published under my byline in Today's Insurance Professional magazine. Everyone thought it was a great photo. RIP. May the Holy Trinity shine on you.

August 31 at 1:04 PM

PH

Patsy Burroughs Hargis posted:

"Ray-Ray" (as my daughters called him when they were very young), was always willing to help us. He did a great job of professional photography for my wedding and my children and grandchildren's pictures. He loved his family and will be in our hearts always. Deepest sympathy from cousin, Patsy (Burroughs) Hargis and family.

August 31 at 7:38 AM



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Judi Ray Carter posted:

My first memories are the beginning of 3rd grade at Lockland Elementary, Ray was always a sweet kind and gentle soul. I will miss his sweet face when he comes to our school dinners. Very hard to imagine him not being there. Fly High my sweet friend! Prayers for Judy, family and all who loved this sweet man!

August 31 at 5:19 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Earl by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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