



## Jerry D. Bailey

January 15, 1939 - October 9, 2021

Jerry Bailey, a lifelong dairy farmer and resident of Monroe County passed away peacefully at home with his loving wife by his side on October 9th, 2021 at the age of 82.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Ruthann (Wever) of 63 years; daughter Rhonda (Tom) Shipley; son, Gary (Christine) Bailey, Keith Bailey (fiancé, Heather Gillam); sisters, Patty Burge and Twylia Glaubke, brother Bud (Pearlina) Bailey and many, many grandchildren, great grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Jerry was born on January 15th, 1939, to Roy and Viola (Byers) Bailey. He was the youngest of 9 children. Jerry was born and raised on a dairy farm that he later took over and retired from. He loved farming; it was all he knew. Jerry was an avid hunter with many treasured trophies throughout his home. He was also a great storyteller. He had so many stories that he finally wrote a book about them titled "Out Behind the Barn" he was darn proud of that book. Jerry was a wonderful man who touched the hearts of anyone he met. He will be so sadly missed.

Jerry is preceded in death by both parents, five siblings and one grandson, Jeremy Whaley.

Services will be held at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory, 4155 S. Old State Road 37, Bloomington, on Wednesday, October 13 at 1:00pm. Burial will follow at Clear Creek Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, October 12 from 4:00pm to 8:00pm at the funeral home and again from 12:00pm to

1:00pm Wednesday.

In lieu of flowers the family has asked for any donations be sent to St. Jude children's hospital or charity of choice.

Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Clear Creek Cemetery

W Church Lane  
Bloomington, IN 47403

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **12**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Allen Funeral Home and Crematory  
4155 S. Old State Road 37  
Bloomington, IN 47401  
(812) 824-5905  
<http://www.allencares.com>

## Visitation

OCT **13**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

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OCT **13**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Our family moved to 4835 S. Victor Pike in 1974, just a bit downstream from the Bailey Farm. We met Roy, Jerry, and all the brothers from time to time, and felt privileged to be friends with real working farmers, and neighbors to a real working farm. Those times are long gone, but we cherish the memories of this fading tradition, of which the Baileys, and especially Jerry, were proud keepers. Guy Loftman.

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**Guy R Loftman** - October 13, 2021 at 05:01 PM

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“ My heartfelt condolences to Aunt Ruthann, cousins Keith, Gary, and Rhonda and their families. As a child, of all my uncles, to me Uncle Jerry just seemed larger than life. Early memories of him at the Wevers Christmas are as vivid as yesterday, me always enjoying his stories and that laugh. The last reunions I noticed how he seemed to notice all us kids, taking time to talk to all. As children, I think most of us just knew to listen to Uncle Jerry. I remember as he's talking to each of us individually as adults, I thought, wow we're really grown now. He was respected by us kids, and in that moment it was felt by me he was giving some back. I guess, around Uncle Jerry, I'm not sure I would have ever felt grown up. He was an iconic person to me, one whose shoes would be hard to fill. Recently, I had lent out my copy of Uncle Jerrys book to gentleman of approximate age. He had finished reading. I just hadn't gotten it back yet. Upon hearing of his passing, I retrieved book the next day as reading those stories will forever bring to me the memory of a man as big as life, as well as forever hearing the enthusiasm of a great storyteller and the unforgettable laughter of my Uncle.

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**Jeffrey Wever** - October 11, 2021 at 03:55 PM

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“ Gregg, Kim and Bryce Rothrock purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Jerry D. Bailey.



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**Gregg, Kim and Bryce Rothrock** - October 11, 2021 at 01:29 PM