



Jerry Wayne Deckard

August 5, 1946 - September 22, 2024

Jerry Wayne Deckard, born on August 5, 1946, in Bloomington, Indiana, passed away peacefully on Sunday, September 22, 2024, surrounded by the love and comfort of his family. He was 78 years old.

Jerry was the beloved husband of 59 years to his high school sweetheart, Linda. Together, they built a life filled with love, laughter, and lasting memories. He was a devoted father to his two daughters, Mary Ducette and Jeri Lynn Deckard Gatch, and a proud grandfather to Lily and Lewis, who brought him immense joy.

He was the son of the late Finis Edward Deckard and Pearl Loretta Gray Deckard, who instilled in him the values of hard work and kindness that he carried throughout his life.

A skilled and accomplished builder, Jerry left his mark on homes and businesses throughout his community. His craftsmanship and dedication touched the lives of many, and his work will continue to stand as a testament to his hard work and passion.

In addition to his building work, Jerry spent a significant part of his career as a manager at a local lumber yard and building supply company, where he was admired for his leadership and expertise. Later, he retired from Indiana University, where he was respected for his dedication and contributions to the institution.

Jerry's deep faith in God was the foundation of his life. He held a strong belief that one day, we will all be reunited with him, and his family finds peace and

comfort in that promise.

Born and raised in Bloomington, Indiana, Jerry had a deep connection to his hometown and its traditions. He was a lifelong fan of the Indiana Hoosiers. Whether it was football or basketball, he cheered them on with enthusiasm and pride.

Jerry was a man who valued friendships and connections. He enjoyed the company of both young and old, always offering a kind word, a story, or a helping hand to those who needed it. His warmth and generosity made him a beloved figure in his community.

He leaves behind a legacy of love, hard work, and cherished memories. Jerry will be deeply missed by his family, friends, and all who knew him.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, September 28th, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Allen Funeral Home in Bloomington, followed by a service at 1 p.m. A processional to Walker's Chapel Cemetery will take place immediately after the service, where Jerry will be laid to rest.

May he rest in peace, forever remembered and always loved.

Online condolences may be shared with his family at www.allencares.com

Cemetery Details

Walkers Chapel Cemetery

8303 S. Rockport Rd
Bloomington, IN 47403

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **28**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

RB

“ Robert B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jerry Wayne Deckard.

Robert B. - September 28, 2024 at 07:39 AM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Jerry Wayne Deckard.



September 27, 2024 at 02:38 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jerry Wayne Deckard.



September 26, 2024 at 04:22 PM

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“ The Smith & Ducette families purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jerry Wayne Deckard.



The Smith & Ducette families - September 26, 2024 at 03:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerry Wayne Deckard.*



September 26, 2024 at 12:04 PM



“ *Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Jerry Wayne Deckard.*



September 26, 2024 at 11:48 AM



“ *Jerry, Linda, David and I were like the 4 Musketeers camping, boating and church! We bought a boat together and named it after ourselves. Belinjeda!
Our kids and having fun was our focus, and we did have fun!
Jerry was a kind, dependable, respectful, loving soul that will certainly be missed, but we know where he is and we will see him again! Until then Jerry, love you! ❤️💕*

Betty Lee - September 26, 2024 at 11:23 AM

LD

When we went to Church in the 1970's that was one of the best times of our life. We all have such precious memories. Too many to even share. Jerilynn was little, but remember when Maryalice was born and we were so shocked to be blessed with another sweet baby. I remember sitting in your kitchen in Fritz Terrace and my belly would hardly fit. Sue was there that night. All the camping trips and boat and trips to florida with our kids, then our mothers then you and I. I love you guys so much. I always will.

linda deckard - September 26, 2024 at 07:43 PM

IR

Somehow as cousins we all were busy and stayed that way time does that to all

irma - November 15, 2024 at 10:15 AM

LG

“ *Sorry for your loss. Jerry was a good guy. Praying for you guys.*

Linda Goodman - September 25, 2024 at 10:28 PM