



Mr. Billy Franklin Allen

August 13, 1944 - February 3, 2022

Billy Franklin Allen, husband, father, friend, and antique dealer, born August 13, 1944 died on February 3, 2022 after an extended battle with progressive supranuclear palsy. He was preceded in death by his sister Nancy Allen, and his parents Frances Wade Allen and Henry Grady Allen, of Cartersville.

Billy moved to Atlanta as a small child. He graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1962, worked at Newcomb and Boyd Engineering as a draftsman, and joined the Army in 1965. After training at Fort Devens, Massachusetts, he became a Morse Code Interceptor, and was stationed in Ankara, Turkey for three years. He was honorably discharged in 1969, and went back to work for Newcomb and Boyd. Billy was considering reenlisting in 1970, when he met his future wife, Juanelle Williams, while attending church with a friend. Billy and Juanelle were married later that year by the Reverend Charles Stanley.

Billy became a noted Art and Antiques dealer and collector, giving talks and seminars on Early Southern Furniture and Pottery. Many fine pieces he discovered have been placed in museums.

Billy and Juanelle welcomed a son, John, in 1975. They moved to Commerce, GA in 1979 where their daughter, Becky, was born later that year.

Billy and Juanelle joined First Baptist Church where he was ordained as a

deacon and taught the men's Sunday School class. They later moved their membership to Madison Street Baptist, where he remains a member.

Billy is survived by his wife of 51 years, Juanelle; his son John Allen and daughter-in-law Maria Kimberly (Hyvinkää, Finland); daughter Becky Allen Huss and son-in-law David Huss (Commerce, GA); and four grandchildren Leila, Juhani, Tapio, and Elli.

Memorial services will be held at 3 PM, Sunday, February 6 at Madison Street Baptist Church with Rev. John Turlington, Rev. Ray Morris, and Rev. Mike Ricks officiating. The family will receive friends at the church Sunday from 2 to 3 PM.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to CurePSP at www.psp.org or to Madison Street Baptist Church.

Little-Ward Funeral Home, Commerce is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Madison Street Baptist Church
188 Madison Street
Commerce, GA 30259

Service

FEB 6. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Billy Franklin Allen*

October 09, 2023 at 05:17 AM



“ *Juanelle, I'm so sorry to hear of Billy's passing. I will keep you and your family in my prayers to guide you through this difficult time.*
Laura (Wayson) Bauer

Laura Bauer - February 09, 2022 at 11:16 AM



“ *Joe & Jo Ann purchased the <https://www.little-wardfuneral.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518>; Memorial Trees* for the family of Mr. Billy Franklin Allen.

Joe & Jo Ann - February 06, 2022 at 02:47 PM



“ *Kathy, Charlesy and Steve Graham purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Mr. Billy Franklin Allen.*



Kathy, Charlesy and Steve Graham - February 04, 2022 at 10:51 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Billy Franklin Allen.*



February 04, 2022 at 09:35 AM



“ *Billy and Juanelle have meant so much to my family! The many historical facts and stories he shared, made me proud to call him friend! Our lives were enriched by having known him. His struggles with his disease were many.... But now he is healed and in heaven.... We will see him again, maybe Jim and Billy will float a river again!*

patti bearden - February 03, 2022 at 10:10 PM