



Richard J. Allen

March 15, 1939 - January 6, 2021

Richard J. Allen of Cary, NC and formerly of Goshen NY, died Jan 6, 2021 at Duke University Hospital surrounded by his wife of 56 years, Elizabeth and his daughter, Geri.

Rich was born March 15, 1939 in Teaneck NJ, the son of Raymond and Josephine Allen. He is survived by His wife Betty; his daughter Geri Allen Jablonski, his favorite son-in-law, Michael; 3 beautiful Granddaughters, Lindsey, Hannah Jo, and Gracie; and his in-laws, Candy and Kim Jablonski. He was predeceased by his father Raymond, mother Jo, brothers Ray and Pat, and sisters Lil, Dot and Bunny.

Rich retired from Western Union after 24 years as a Manager. This allowed him to continue his love of friends, family, and pool parties on a more regular basis. His often-frustrating passion for the Yankees and Giants dictated what events he chose to host or attend based on gamedays.

Rich was a longstanding member of the Middletown Elks, a former active member of the Goshen Volunteer Ambulance Corp, and a retired member of the Town of Goshen Planning Board. Rich supervised yearly camping trips for the neighborhood kids which grew to an outstanding 45 plus size by the time he finished. Truth be told, this trip may have been more for the dads than for their children. All those fathers predeceased him and met him at the gate with a beer and a Grand Marnier with plans to camp some more.

Rich will be fondly remembered most of all for his infectious laugh, (sort of a chirp chirp snort) and one we heard frequently as his sense of humor thrived

among those he loved. A loveable klutz, he often found himself in very messy situations which frequently ended with a new injury. He loved to repeat his tales, and those will live on as material for future roasts.

A memorial mass will be held on January 14th 2021 at 11 AM at St. Andrew the Apostle Church Fellowship Hall, 3008 Old Raleigh Road, Apex NC 27502. Inurnment will be at the church columbarium.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in his name, to Saint Jude's Children's Hospital.

Cemetery Details

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church Columbarium

3008 Old Raleigh Rd
Apex, NC 27502

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

JAN 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Andrew The Apostle Catholic Church
3008 Old Raleigh Rd
Apex, NC 27502

Tribute Wall

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“ *Dr. Todd Garcia & staff purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Richard J. Allen.*



Dr. Todd Garcia & staff - February 01, 2021 at 10:30 AM

PA

“ *Pat lit a candle in memory of Richard J. Allen*



Pat - January 15, 2021 at 03:49 PM



“ *So sad to hear of Richard's passing. He was such a sweet guy. Prayers for Betty and Geri.*

Mary Ellen Nutley

Mary Nutley - January 13, 2021 at 11:38 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard J. Allen.*



January 13, 2021 at 08:39 AM

SA

“ I have the fondest of childhood memories at the Allen’s. I did many sleepovers and looked forward to Mr. Allen’s pancakes in the morning. Our families spent holidays together and celebrated many a party. I can hear his laugh now. Precious. Joyful. Making you want to smile just hearing it. Thanks for awesome memories. My heart is sad and tears fill my eyes as I remember. I am thankful for your kindness. I am sure my mom wouldn’t mind a little Grand Manier with you! Celebrate. Much love Mr. Allen. You will be missed.

Sara Andolina - January 13, 2021 at 01:07 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Richard J. Allen.



January 12, 2021 at 06:29 PM



“ Ringed by Love was purchased for the family of Richard J. Allen.



January 12, 2021 at 02:30 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard J. Allen.



January 10, 2021 at 07:00 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Richard J. Allen.*



January 10, 2021 at 02:00 PM



“ *Rose Garden Heart was purchased for the family of Richard J. Allen.*



January 10, 2021 at 12:03 PM



“ *Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Richard J. Allen.*



January 09, 2021 at 10:03 PM