



Gerald Henry Byrd

March 11, 1948 - March 17, 2023

Gerald Henry Byrd, 75, of Cessna Street, Carlisle, went to be with the Lord on Friday, March 17, 2023

at his home. He was a beloved husband, father and grandfather.

Born March 11, 1948 in Granite City, Illinois, he was the son of the late Clarence and Claretta (Nolan) Byrd.

Jerry was a very articulate, funny, neat, precise, particular, coin collecting, dry humorist who could fix anything. He was truly a "Mr. Fix-it!" He was a graduate of Madison High School, Illinois. He grew up watching, from his home, the construction of the Gateway Arch being built across the Mississippi River. He attended Community Christian Fellowship, Carlisle and had been a maintenance supervisor for 17 years at Camp Of The Woods, he was also Fire Chief for Spectacular Fire Co. and was retired from Middlesex Township Municipal Authority. He was a patriot and served his country in the United States Navy aboard the USS Independence during the Vietnam War.

Surviving are his wife of 51 years, Phyllis (Brunner) Byrd. Twin sons, Jonathan and wife Laura of North Carolina and Joel and wife Amanda of Lancaster and a daughter, Julia Byrd of Maryland.

3 Granddaughters, Lucy, Alexandra and Maggie. A brother, Shawn Byrd of Oklahoma, three sisters, Patricia Duncan of Kentucky, Betty Hartley of Missouri and Raeleene Rowe of Iowa. He was preceded in death by a sister, Marilyn Jonas.

A Celebration of Jerry's life will be held at 3 PM on Friday, March 24, 2023 in the Community Christian Fellowship Church, 360 York Road, Carlisle, Pa. Pastor Glenn Osborn will officiate. A visitation will be held from 1-3 PM at the church. Private burial will be in Mt. Gilead Cemetery, Shermans Dale prior to the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to: WPF 91.3 radio station, 1 Old Mill Road, Carlisle, 17015

Boyer Family Funeral Home is honored to handle the arrangements for the Byrd Family.
Streaming link <https://communitycarlisle.org/>

Cemetery Details

Mt. Gilead Cemetery

935 Windy Hill road

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 24. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Community Christian Fellowship Church
360 York Rd
Carlisle, PA 17013-3180

Celebration of Life

MAR 24. 3:00 PM (ET)

Community Christian Fellowship
360 York Road
Carlisle, PA

Tribute Wall



“ Boyer Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gerald Henry Byrd



Boyer Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc - March 19, 2023 at 03:45 PM

PH

“ I am so sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. What fond memories I have of working with Jerry on the COTW Pre-Season Staff. I don't remember the year but I do think it was his first year there. Jerry was such a gentle and kind-hearted man. Jerry and Phyllis would welcome us into their home after work many days for "RISK" parties. Your children were young at the time but you still opened up your home to a bunch of college age kids and allowed us to stay late. Your kindness will never be forgotten. It was just a year or two ago that I got to visit with you both after Sunday morning chapel at COTW. I didn't know it at the time but that was the last time I would see Jerry. Jerry was a true gift from God. He touched many lives, including my own. My condolences to the entire family.

Paul Hurley - April 22, 2023 at 08:37 PM

CF

“ So sorry for your loss.



Crystal M Farrington - March 25, 2023 at 04:07 PM

AS

“ Dear Phyllis, we were so sorry to hear of Gerald's passing. Our deepest sympathy to you, to Julia, and to your whole family. May each of you sense the nearness of our Good Shepherd as you walk through this valley together. And may His promises fill you with hope.

Love and prayers,
Andrew & Esther Schaeffer
W. Africa

Andrew Schaeffer - March 23, 2023 at 12:43 PM



“ Phyllis, so sorry for your loss. After 51 years together there is a great void. But your memories will sustain you. May God comfort you and your family.

Dottie Zepp - March 22, 2023 at 11:26 PM

BH

“ Jerry was such an asset to the Village of Speculator. He worked at Camp of the Woods, was a Volunteer Fireman as a Chief most of his time and was a member of Lake Pleasant Central School Board of Education. Liked by all that knew him and his family. My heart goes out to them.

Bobbi Lynne Hoover - March 22, 2023 at 05:45 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Gerald Henry Byrd.



March 22, 2023 at 05:39 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gerald Henry Byrd.



March 22, 2023 at 04:47 PM

MS

“ Middlesex Township Supervisors and Staff purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Gerald Henry Byrd.



Middlesex Township Supervisors and Staff - March 22, 2023 at 11:35 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gerald Henry Byrd.



March 22, 2023 at 11:03 AM

CE

“ Mrs. Bryd I am so very sorry to hear of your husband passing my condolences to your family and you !! Many prayers and hugs ..

Cheryl Edwards - March 21, 2023 at 11:19 AM

BK

“ Our love and sympathy to you Phyllis and your family. We have fond memories of your family at our church in Northville, NY. We were saddened to hear of Gerry's early home going. So thankful for the promise of eternal life to those who love and trust the Lord. But, even with this wonderful fact, we know you are going to miss him something terrible here. Please know that you have our prayers. Our Love - Rick and Barb Klueg

Barbara Klueg - March 20, 2023 at 08:22 PM



“ 352 files added to the album Life Tributes



Boyer Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc - March 19, 2023 at 03:36 PM



“ Jerry was a true servant. He needed no supervision, only a list of what to do. He went about his duties carefully, responsibly and with the heart of a servant. Never rattled or upset, faithfully putting the needs of others above his own. Always a smile, a kind word, a warm spirit. He was one who found his purpose and became the man that God made him to be. Blessings to you all who join in and praise God for Jerry's life.

Rich Purdy - March 19, 2023 at 08:40 AM

LM

“ I loved working with Gerry at Camp of the Woods, he was a true gentleman. He was the go to man for everything that needed fixing. I know he is resting now in the arms of his savior. Prayers for his family and friends. 🙏🙏🙏

Laura Morehouse - March 19, 2023 at 08:32 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gerald Henry Byrd.



March 19, 2023 at 08:17 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gerald Henry Byrd.



March 18, 2023 at 03:35 PM