



Rev. Walter Denver Allen

September 23, 1932 - April 18, 2018

Our loving, kind, and devoted Husband, Father, Grandfather and loyal friend, Reverend Walter Denver Allen went to his heavenly home to be His Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ on Tuesday, April 17, 2018. His legacy of loving and serving The Lord, his gentle and kind spirit will forever be missed and in the hearts of all who knew him. His love for family, friends and his church are far greater than words can express.

Walter served in the United States Army from 1953-1955. He worked for Union Carbide as an Electrical Planner for many years. He pastored several Churches in the West Virginia Churches of God Conference for more than 45 years. He received his ordination from the Allegheny Regional Conference of the Churches of God General Conference. His final years as Pastor was at South Charleston First Church of God.

He loved playing golf, being the best Papa to his granddaughters, and most of all, loved reading his Bible. He adored his children, and was the most wonderful father to them. He was married to his best friend and wife, Shelby, for 61 years.

He was born in Alum Creek in Lincoln County on September 23, 1932 to Homer Harrison Allen, and Lora Mae Hager. He was the youngest of eleven children which included James, Frank, Leighton, Sidney, Paul, Jack, Richard,

Bill, Cline, and one sister, Goldie, all of which are deceased. He sang in The Allen Brothers Quartet with several of his brothers, traveling throughout the Tristate region sharing the gospel of Christ for many years.

He is survived by his loving and devoted wife, Shelby, his children, Sandra Jane (deceased), son, Dr. Timothy Allen of Fort Worth, TX,, and daughter, Rebecca Pearson (Jeff) of Nashville, TN, his precious grandchildren, Benjamin (deceased), Abby Rae, and Jesse Grace, brother in law, Lee Asbury of Spartanburg, SC, sister in law Silvelva Sheets of Parkersburg, several nieces, nephews, and a host of family and dear friends.

A celebration of his life will take place Saturday, April 21, 2018 at South Charleston First Church of God, 5303 Ohio Street, South Charleston at 1:00 p.m. with Pastor Jerry Medley officiating. Burial with military honors will be at Cunningham Memorial Park.

Visitation with the family will take place from 11:00 -1:00 prior to the funeral service.

You may visit Walter's tribute page at chapmanfuneralhomes.com to share memories or condolences with the family.

Bartlett Chapman Funeral Home, family owned and located at 409 Sixth Ave., St. Albans is honored to serve the Allen family.

Cemetery Details

Cunningham Memorial Park

815 Cunningham Lane
Saint Albans, WV 25177

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 21. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

South Charleston First Church of God
5303 Ohio Street
South Charleston, WV 25309

Funeral Service

APR 21. 1:00 PM (ET)

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5303 Ohio Street
South Charleston, WV 25309

Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. Walter Denver Allen*

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *My mother and stepfather Madge and Bertram Young attended So. Chas. Church of God and I always remember my Mother praising Rev. Allen. They so enjoyed the worship service there. Bertram passed away in 1989 and she passed away in 1997. My thoughts and prayers are with during this sad time . Mrs. Kay Pursley*

Kay Pursley - April 23, 2018 at 09:50 AM



“ *Dear Shelby, Becky and Tim*

Our hearts were filled with sorrow to hear of the passing of your wonderful husband and father. Walter meant a lot to our family He married Mike and I 40 years ago and whenever I saw Walter he said "When I marry a couple they stay married" with a chuckle and a twinkle in his eyes. Dad fondly remembers the trips to Findlay together and although we haven't been in the same church for many years we still love our church family from the past. I asked Dad if there was anything he wanted to say and his words were "I'll miss you brother."

Love and prayers to all your family.

*Rev. Roy Young
Paula and Mike Miller*

paula miller - April 21, 2018 at 05:29 PM

CB

“ *Shelby and family,
This is a difficult time for you and my heart and prayers are for you. Walter was a friend whom I loved and appreciated very dearly. I am thankful that God allowed me to know him for over 65 years. I treasure the times I had the opportunity to be in church with him and to hear him preach and sing about a Lord that I know he loved. The comfort that we have is to know that he is in the presence of Jesus whom he loved. Let the comfort of the Lord be with you and the family in these trying hours and days to come. I will keep you in my prayers. I prayed for Bro. Walter every day, because of the love I had for him. May God bless and keep you.*
Bud and Xylphia Beaver

Clinton Beaver - April 21, 2018 at 11:50 AM

AA

“ *As a child I remember the Allen Brothers meeting in the back yard of my PaPaw Leightons house and playing and singing their beautiful music. Such beautiful memories. God bless you Aunt Shelby and family. Love you all*
Ang Allen

Ang Allen - April 20, 2018 at 01:47 PM

DH

“ *Walter was one of the finest christian men you could ever want to be like. He set the example how to serve the Lord. Had opportunity to get to know Walter and his brothers and got to play music with them a few times. Loved all the Alan brothers and their families. Rest in peace my brother and enjoy Heaven until I get there.*

Dana S. Hoffman

Dana S. Hoffman - April 20, 2018 at 01:23 PM

VR

“ *He loved the Lord so much and was always kind.*



Vicki Ross - April 20, 2018 at 10:31 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rev. Walter Denver Allen.*



April 20, 2018 at 10:07 AM

DT

“ *Donelson Christian Academy Board of Trustees purchased the Comfort & Light 30" Sonnet for the family of Rev. Walter Denver Allen.*



Donelson Christian Academy Board of Trustees - April 20, 2018 at 09:51 AM

DF

“ *Danielle Allen Sterzenbach & Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rev. Walter Denver Allen.*



Danielle Allen Sterzenbach & Family - April 20, 2018 at 08:57 AM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

May your memories of William Denver Allen, give you peace, comfort and strength...

Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten..

*My thoughts
and prayers to the family of*

*US Army Veteran, Walter Denver Allen, is “A True American Hero”
God Bless†*

† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †

Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum - April 20, 2018 at 07:32 AM

SD

“ *Walter was my Pastor for several years and was a great man of God. A good friend and a man of wisdom. He loved everyone and lived what he preached.*

No doubt he has joined that Heavenly choir and we will miss him. He was Faithful ... all who sat under his preaching were truly blessed!

Sharon Dunlap - April 20, 2018 at 07:26 AM



“ *Garden of Serenity Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Walter Denver Allen.*



April 19, 2018 at 10:37 PM