



## Garland F. (Jerry) Oliver

June 1, 1945 - March 16, 2022

Garland F. (Jerry) Oliver, age 76, of Christiansburg went to his heavenly home Wednesday, March 16, 2022 at his home. He was preceded in death by his parents, Garland “Bentley” and Iona Johnson Oliver, infant brother, Stephen, and brother, Michael.

Jerry retired from the postal service at Virginia Tech. He was a faithful member of Blacksburg Christian Church, serving as a Deacon, Choir member and waffle maker at the 5th Sunday breakfast.

He is survived by his wife, Emily A. Oliver; son, Steve Oliver (Hope); stepson, Chris Wikstrom (Amanda); grandchildren, Ashley Oliver, Kayla Blankenship, Cooper, Winnie, Hudson, and Lorelei Wikstrom who dearly loved their “Pops”; great-grandchildren, Deklan and Larken Hatch. He is also survived by sisters, Joyce Belshan, Sharon Akers, Rhonda Smith; brothers, Phillip Oliver, Marc Oliver; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Eleanor King, Kitty Collins, Sandy Albert, Mitch and Diana Albert, Kenneth Akers; special niece, Valerie Molle; several nieces and nephews.

Special thanks to Good Samaritan Hospice, especially Kayla and Brittany, as well as Mary Ann Harris and her staff for their care of Jerry. Graveside service will be conducted Saturday, March 19, 2022 at 2:00 pm in the Centennial Christian Church Cemetery, McCoy, Va. with the Rev. Gary McCoy and Rev.

J.B. Beane officiating. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Blacksburg Christian Church, 240 Watson Ave., Blacksburg, Va. 24060. Arrangements by McCoy Funeral Home, Blacksburg.

# Cemetery Details

## Centennial Christian Church Cemetery

6111 Centennial Road  
McCoy, VA

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAR 19. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

RN

“ It was sad to hear about Jerry. We were classmates in Christiansburg and he was always a good person. I am saying my prayers for him and family.

Ronald Neely

Ronald B. Neely - March 29, 2022 at 08:50 PM

DF

“ I'm sorry for your loss. I hope your memories will help during this difficult time. Prayers are with your family.

Debbie Akers Formica - March 22, 2022 at 10:23 AM

SB

“ I remember Jerry delivering our mail in Dairy Science. Always a kind man and always seemed so patient. Great memories. Sally Barnett

Sally Barnett - March 21, 2022 at 07:08 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Garland F. (Jerry) Oliver.



March 18, 2022 at 11:37 PM

NS

“ Emily, so very sorry to hear of Jerry’s passing. Please know you and your family are in our prayers and thoughts at this very difficult time.  
Norine & Jeff Snider



Norine Snider - March 18, 2022 at 01:33 PM

TS

“ I’m so very sorry to hear about Jerry. I thought the world of Jerry as did my entire family. He would do anything in the world for anyone. Praying for the family 🙏  
Tim Sheppard

Tim Sheppard - March 18, 2022 at 09:26 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Garland F. (Jerry) Oliver.



March 18, 2022 at 08:54 AM

DD

“ I worked with Jerry for many years. Always made me laugh. He was a wonderful man that dearly loved his family.  
Emily I send my love and sympathy to you and the family. God Bless each of you during this time. I love you Emily ❤️



Donna Duncan - March 18, 2022 at 08:48 AM



“ We are saddened of Jerry's passing to heavens doors. God has received a worthy worker into his kingdom. Jerry loved to gather with family, and friends, in McCoy for family meals and get togethers. He loved good home cooking more than the next person. Always willing to give a helping hand. You will be greatly missed Jerry, til we all meet again. Love and hugs to you, Emily. We are always here for you. Mickey and Diana.



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**Diana Albert** - March 18, 2022 at 08:41 AM

CR

“ Connie Reed lit a candle in memory of Garland F. (Jerry) Oliver



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**Connie Reed** - March 17, 2022 at 08:25 PM

PQ

Emily I am sorry to learn of your husband's passing. So sorry, I pray God gives you peace as time moves on.  
Peggy P Quesenberry

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**Peggy P Quesenberry** - March 18, 2022 at 08:06 PM

PQ

Hugs!

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**Peggy P Quesenberry** - March 18, 2022 at 08:07 PM

SH

“ Jerry, I exist somewhere between the pain of your passing and the joy of your life. My heart aches with sadness. Thoughts of times together hold memories that will last forever. You were definitely loved by many and will be remembered for your kindness, generosity and caring nature; always making time to be a sounding board for problems; your quick witted sense of humor would always make me see a lighter side of a situation. You will always stay loved and remembered every day in my heart; passing from this earthly home ends a life, not a relationship. I could not have asked for a better "big brother." I love you.

Sharon - March 17, 2022 at 03:37 PM

OS

Brenda and I are so sorry to hear of the passing of Jerry. Our thought and prayers are with the family and friends. I worked with Jerry at Corning Glass in the last 60's. Jerry was the postman t VT were Brenda worked. We both have lots of great memories of Jerry. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him. Brenda and Orville Sluss. We so sorry Sharon.

Orville Sluss - March 17, 2022 at 08:08 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Garland F. (Jerry) Oliver.



March 17, 2022 at 03:26 PM

K(

“ *What wonderful memories I have of growing up and making our yearly trip from Iowa to Virginia to visit my dad's parents and sisters (Iona Oliver was one of the sisters). How we loved spending time with our first cousins and of course we all had crushes on Jerry!! How sweet to know that we will see each other again in glory with our precious Savior. Our love and prayers are with Emily and the family. From Kandy Doran (Buck Johnson's middle daughter)*

**kandy doran (johnsons)** - March 17, 2022 at 02:00 PM

SD

“ *I have such fond memories of Uncle Jerry growing up. He was a very caring man. He will be missed by many.*

**Stephanie Dulaney** - March 17, 2022 at 01:43 PM

CV

“ *Carrie Vaden lit a candle in memory of Garland F. (Jerry) Oliver*



**Carrie Vaden** - March 17, 2022 at 01:30 PM

LW

*Emily I was so sorry too hear of Jerry's passing. He was a great guy and I always enjoyed talking to him. May God's peace and understanding comfort you in this time of grief. Will remember you in prayer*

**Lois Walters** - March 18, 2022 at 08:30 AM