



Gerald E. Murray

January 21, 2017

Gerry was born in Ayer, June 20, 1932, the son of Jeremiah J. and Margaret E. (Murray) Murray and was a lifelong resident of Ayer and Shirley. He was a 1950 graduate of Ayer High School. He continued his education at Bentley School of Accounting & Finance in Boston, graduating in 1952.

For over 30 years, Gerry worked in the accounting department at Fort Devens, retiring in 1987. Following his retirement, he continued to work part time at the office of Dr. John Eleftherio in Groton.

He was a member of St. Anthony's Church in Shirley and was a former member of the Ayer Jaycee's. He coached in the Ayer Little League Program as well as the Girls Softball program many years ago.

Gerry was a devout Catholic who was very proud of his Irish heritage. He was a loving and devoted husband, father, grand father and great grandfather. He enjoyed playing softball, bowling, traveling and playing cards with his family. He took great pride in watching his grandchildren participate in sports, dance and other activities.

He leaves his wife of 62 years, Joan A. (Chesbrough) Murray; two sons, Richard L. Murray of Shirley, Gerald E. Murray Jr. and his wife, Nancy of Leominster; five daughters, Barbara J. Donell and her husband, Robert of

Ayer, Susan M. Parker and her husband, Alan of Groton, Karen L. Lamoy of Ayer, Diane E. King and her husband, Michael of Shirley, Christine M. Knowlton of Ayer; a sister and brother-in-law, Mary and James McDonough of New Jersey, a brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Ken and Kathy Blanchette of Shirley; 14 grandchildren, Erica Parker, Caitlin Parker, Christopher Parker, Michael St. Hilaire, Daniel Donell, Lauren Donell, Sean Murray, Kristen McEachern, Timothy Murray, Kelly Murray, Michelle Lamoy, Allison Lamoy, Ryan Knowlton-Grallert, Rebecca King and 11 great grandchildren Evan, Cameron, Alana, Mason, Henry, Jonah, Stella, EJ, Cora, Thomas and Riley. He also had many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was the brother of the late Barbara Ryder of New Jersey.

Tribute Wall

JR

“ *Joan, I am so very sorry to read about Gerry and your loss.*

Sincerely,

Janet (Allen) Riccio

Janet Allen Riccio - February 02, 2017 at 08:43 PM

DW

“ *Christine and Diane
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult
time. God now has another perfect angel. With love and sympathy,
Deb*

Debora Woollacott - January 31, 2017 at 08:44 AM

BS

“ *So sorry for your loss. Thinking of all of you in this time of need. We
are here if you need anything at all.
Beth (COL) and Rick Salisbury Family*

Beth Salisbury - January 26, 2017 at 04:58 PM

MM

“ *Dear Joan,
So sorry for your loss. I will pray for you and your family during this
difficult time. Sending hugs and love to you.
Mary*

Mary A. Miller - January 26, 2017 at 03:31 PM

PA

“ So sorry for your loss, Joan.

Lots of love and many prayers.

PAT - January 25, 2017 at 08:07 PM

DG

“ 62yrs Joan is a gift from God Gerry will be waiting for you. he is a good man God bless you.

Deacon Ray and Pauline gagnon - January 25, 2017 at 05:39 PM

JK

“ So sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Murray. Condolences to the whole Murray family.

Joanne Brand Kennedy - January 25, 2017 at 12:41 PM

MG

“ So sorry for your loss. Losing a parent leaves a hole in your heart that nothing can fill. My thoughts and prayers are with you and all your family during this difficult time.

Michelle Gagner - January 25, 2017 at 08:11 AM

JS

“ My sincere condolences Joan and your wonderful family

Jane Steinberg - January 24, 2017 at 11:42 PM

JT

“ Dear Barbara:
So sorry to hear about your father's passing. You and all your family
are in our thoughts and prayers.
Ellen and John

John and Ellen Tighe - January 24, 2017 at 11:07 PM

CS

“ My heart goes out to all of your family. I'm sorry for your loss.

Carolyn Sargent - January 24, 2017 at 09:16 PM

MN

“ To Barb, Rick, Gerry, and all the Murray's...my sincere condolences.
Mr Murray was always "down the park" coaching little league back
in the day. And at the rink watching the Ayer Beavers play. RIP Mr.
Murray.

Mike North - January 24, 2017 at 08:14 PM

JO

“ Gerry, you will be missed. Our old time neighbor from the east main
st area.
Condolences to the family

John oelfke - January 24, 2017 at 04:44 PM

BP

“ To the Murray, Parker, and Donell Families... Our thoughts and
prayers are with you at this sad time. May the loving memories of
your Husband, Dad and Grandfather bring you peace.

Bill and Cindy Plunkett - January 24, 2017 at 02:59 PM

PS

“ *My prayers are with the entire family with loving memories from Sculley Road.*

Pauline Sullivan - January 24, 2017 at 02:57 PM

BM

“ *My prayers are with you all A fine man. Husband father and Christian. God Bless you all*

Betty mahon - January 24, 2017 at 02:56 PM

KK

“ *Rest In Peace Mr. Murray. Going to miss seeing you and Mrs. Murray in Church. Prayers for your family.*

Keith Keady - January 24, 2017 at 02:54 PM

BG

“ *To the extended Murray family, I was saddened to hear of Mr. Murray's passing. He was blessed with a loving family. I am certain that he will deeply missed by all who were fortunate to have known him.*

Bobby Gardner - January 24, 2017 at 02:52 PM

FS

“ *Our deepest sympathies to all the Murray family. I have great memories of Big Gerry as our neighbor on Sculley Rd. May your dad Rest in Peace.*

Fred and Catherine Sullivan

Frederick Sullivan - January 24, 2017 at 02:20 PM

PF

“ Dear family. Death is an enemy! So says the Word of God. True comfort comes in knowing that God does not cause our death, for He promises to eliminate death completely in the near future. I hope this gives you a measure of comfort during this difficult times. (1 Corinthians 15:26; Isaiah 25:8).

pfl - January 24, 2017 at 12:51 PM

PA

“ Diane and Family,

So sorry for your loss. Mr. Murray was a very nice man. I miss joking around with him. Our prayers are with you and your Family.

Paulette and Jerry Aragonés - January 24, 2017 at 08:43 AM

BA

“ Joan and family,

Our sincere sympathy to you and the family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.

Bill and Rosanne Allen - January 24, 2017 at 04:56 AM

KB

“ The kindest man I have ever met in my life. Ken was also taken by his kindness. When we got married Ken told me "I don't cook, I don't clean, but I promise you I will do what Gerry does and that is the laundry to help out". We will miss him something awful but have heaven to look forward to.

Kathleen Blanchette - January 24, 2017 at 03:38 AM

DW

“ Gerry and I went to first grade together at the old Pleasant St. school in Ayer.....rest in peace old pal.....God bless you.

Donnie and Phine Wallace - January 23, 2017 at 11:19 PM

KC

“ Our sympathy on the loss of your husband, father and grandfather.

Kathy and Tom Casey - January 23, 2017 at 09:31 PM

PJ

“ Sorry for your loss prayers are with you

Pete Boyle Jr - January 23, 2017 at 08:53 PM

LR

“ Joan and all of the Murray family, Please know you also have my prayers in this time of grief. Someday the reunion will be so wonderful. God bless.

Linda M. Rattigan - January 23, 2017 at 07:55 PM

BL

“ Dear Murray Family,

Sorry to hear about the loss of your father. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.

Beth Lewis - January 23, 2017 at 07:44 PM

AM

“ My thoughts, prayers and condolences.. he was A great man... used to love when he came into the bank and would chat with us... may he Rest In Peace and may god continue to guide you through this most difficult time.

Andrea Mitchell - January 23, 2017 at 02:47 PM

KR

“ Dear Joan & Sue,
Sorry to hear about your loss. He was a very kind man.
May he rest in peace, and may God Bless you all during this difficult time.

Ken & Noreen Rollins - January 23, 2017 at 01:24 PM

KM

“ Diane & Christine
I am sadden to see that your dad has been taken up to heaven. I remember him always being so pleasant when he came into the bank. He always had a smile on his face. R May he rest in piece. Keep all those great memories close to your heart...

Kathy McDowell - January 23, 2017 at 11:59 AM

JM

“ Dear Diane and Family,
Sending my sincere condolences for your loss. I am sure your father will be greatly missed. May you and your family find peace during this difficult time and May God Bless You All.

JANET MITA - January 23, 2017 at 10:28 AM