



Gerald Marvin Greer

June 4, 1944 - February 5, 2024

Gerald Marvin Greer, known to his friends and family as Jerry or Mr. G, passed away on 2/5/2024 due to prolonged illness. Jerry was born on 06/04/1944 to Mr. and Mrs. Newton Greer. Jerry spent his youth in Fort Valley, Ga., and was one of three children.

Mr. Greer grew up and joined the United States Navy as a hospital corpsman. The following is an excerpt taken from his citation received from his actions on March 21, 1966:

While serving with Company D, First Battalion, Fourth Marines in connection with operations against Viet Cong Forces, one of the platoons fell under a devastating volume of fire sustaining numerous casualties including the platoon corpsman. Quickly realizing the need for medical care, hospitalman Greer unhesitatingly left his protected position and advanced throughout the withering fire to aid the wounded. In direct view of the enemy, he treated two of the stricken men and moved them to covered positions. As enemy rounds continued to spray the ground around him, he courageously moved down the exposed slope to two more casualties. He managed to check the profuse bleeding of both Marines. Too exhausted to carry them to a safe area, he valiantly chose to shield them from vicious enemy fire with his own body until assistance was available. During this heroic act, he himself had enemy fire ricochet of his own helmet, luckily not taking his life. His gallant action

undoubtedly prevented the casualties from sustaining further wounds. He became an inspiration to all who observed him. By exceptional concern for others and at great risk of his own life, coupled with daring initiative and unfaltering dedication of duty throughout, he upheld the highest tradition of the United States Naval Services and was awarded the Silver Star Medal.

After serving in the military, he went on to later open and operate Mr. G's Tees, Inc. for more than 25 years. He was known to be quite the talkative, happy-go-lucky type that loved eating the biggest steaks ever seen. He loved fishing, going on boat trips with other boat enthusiasts and of course his wife Dorothy. Up until the end of his life when words were hard to come by, he would still stare at her across a room and smile at her. They had a true love that was built on respect and friendship.

Jerry was preceded in death by his mother and father, Mr. & Mrs. Newton Greer, his sister Teresa Wells, and his stepson Tony Hodges.

He is survived by his wife Dorothy Greer of Leesburg, Ga., stepdaughter Angie (Todd) Kearbey of Leesburg, Ga., son Richard Greer (Michelle Dunn) of Valdosta, Ga., brother George (Lily) Greer of Macon, Ga., multiple grandchildren, a great-grandchild, nephews and nieces.

In his honor, we ask for families/friends to support, love and care for one another as we are not guaranteed tomorrow. Any that would like to make donations in his name, we feel the following would be ones he would have chose: Vietnam Veterans of America, Willson Hospice House, American Stroke Association and/or Alzheimer's Association.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

1907 Dawson Rd.
Albany, GA 31707

Tribute Wall

RW

“ Ms Dot and family, I'm sadden to learn about Mr Jerry's demise. I send prayers your way asking God to wrap you in His cloche of love and comfort as He consoles you in this time of grief and despair. Rhonda Wilson, Former Church Clerk for, Adventist Fellowship Church, f/k/a Albany SDA Church



Rhonda Wilson - March 16, 2024 at 02:34 AM

FJ

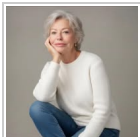
“ So sorry to hear that Mr. G has passed away. I have fond memories of him from back when I was a teenager. Even after I was an adult he always remembered me and had kind words to say each time we met.

Frankie Jo - February 15, 2024 at 04:06 PM



“ Dot, I am so very sorry for your loss. I am praying you find peace and comfort in the wonderful memories of your lives together.

Gina Griffis - February 08, 2024 at 07:36 PM



“ Gina Griffis lit a candle in memory of Gerald Marvin Greer



Gina Griffis - February 08, 2024 at 07:24 PM

CO

“ Dot and family, Mr. G as I called him was one of my favorite people and thought the world of him. He and Dot had such a special relationship and you could tell how much he loved her. Had many great visits with Mr. G and considered him a great friend. So saddened for your loss. Chuck Owens

Chuck Owens - February 08, 2024 at 03:08 PM

GT

“ Angie: We are sorry to hear of Mr. G's passing. He was always "ahead of the times" in his shop and ready to take time with his customers. We know he will be missed by his family and friends. Neil & Gloria Thompson

Gloria Thompson - February 06, 2024 at 11:20 PM

WJ

“ Oh, I am so sorry to hear of his passing! He was like another parent to me as a teen, and we used to have the most wonderful conversations. RIP Mr. G



wendy rosier jones - February 06, 2024 at 08:18 PM

CW

“ Had many great times with Jerry and Dot on boat trips! Admired the love they shared for each other. One of the good guys! Carol Wiggins

Carol Wiggins - February 06, 2024 at 07:54 PM