



Gerald Wayne "Mud" Allen

September 13, 1954 - January 13, 2021

Gerald Wayne "Mud" Allen, 66, of Petersburg passed away on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at Memorial Medical Center. He was born on September 13, 1954 to Gerald "Jack" and Evelyn (Stufflebeam) Allen.

Mud married Paula "Pi" Gansbauer on May 25, 2002. He is survived by his wife Pi and son John Wayne "Jack" Allen of Petersburg, two sisters Brenda Thurman of Auburn, Catherine Muller of Tallula and several nieces & nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers-in-law Jim Thurman and Bob Muller.

Mud grew up working on his family's farm and resided there until his death. He was a life-long truck driver working for Boesdorfer Trucking, Oasis Farms and Brauer Pork before becoming the owner-operator of Mud Trucking. Mud also baled his own hay each summer along with doing custom baling.

Mud was a member of American Harley Express M.C. for 30 years and served as Vice-President for several years. He rode many, many miles, mostly in the western states, and attended Sturgis and Daytona Bike rallies. He was especially proud to join other motorcyclists from across the nation on the annual ride to attend honorary ceremonies at Viet Nam Veterans Memorials in many states on the way to the Viet Nam Veterans Memorial ceremony in Washington D.C. He participated annually in the Illinois Viet Nam Memorial

Vigil for 30 years. Mud enjoyed attending and "pitting" at top fuel Harley drag races for his good friend Ray of Tampa, Florida. He enjoyed pulling at the Menard County Fair tractor pulls on his IH806 - especially if the competition was Green. He also served on the Menard County Fair Tractor Pull Committee.

Mud watched every John Wayne movie made - multiple times. He will be remembered for always being among the first to help his friends and neighbors.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Cremation was provided by Hurley Funeral Home, 122 W Douglas, Petersburg, IL 62675. Cards of condolence for the family can be sent to Hurley Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Gerald Wayne "Mud" Allen*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Gerald Wayne "Mud" Allen.*



January 24, 2021 at 04:35 PM



“ *Really sad to see that Wayne has passed. I knew Wayne since our school days. I would run into him from time to time over the years and he was always a joy to talk with. RIP
My sincerest condolences to his family.*

Dave Gurnsey

Dave Gurnsey - January 21, 2021 at 11:28 AM

SB

“ *Brenda and Cathy, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your brother. I can remember him only as a little boy when we visited your home near Atterberry in the late 50's. Please accept my condolences and find comfort in the memories in your heart.*

*Sharon (Lounsberry) Barnhill
Richard and Betty's daughter*

Sharon S Barnhill - January 17, 2021 at 04:00 PM

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*Sharon (Lounsberry) Barnhill
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Sharon S Barnhill - January 17, 2021 at 03:56 PM

BH

“ *Mud & his IH 806 showing them all 'how it's done'. Hugs. ❤️*



Byron, Paige & Taylor Hamblin - January 17, 2021 at 02:43 PM

DV

“ *Dave Vaughn lit a candle in memory of Gerald Wayne "Mud" Allen*



Dave Vaughn - January 17, 2021 at 01:42 PM

CP

“ *Carrie PointerAdams lit a candle in memory of Gerald Wayne "Mud" Allen*



Carrie PointerAdams - January 17, 2021 at 10:55 AM

LH

“ *Larry And Mary Hundt lit a candle in memory of Gerald Wayne "Mud" Allen*



Larry and Mary Hundt - January 17, 2021 at 09:35 AM

DM

“ *had some good times with Wayne years back. moved away from the area years ago but my daughter Jenna said he was always ready to help her out with her farm animals, never had the chance to tell him thanx, but i did appreciate it, Dave McHenry*

DAVID MCHENRY - January 16, 2021 at 08:17 PM

LS

Mud was such a good guy and was so much fun to be around! He got to marry the "love of his life," Pi, and together they had a son, Jack (whom I've yet to meet). My deepest condolences to Pi, Jack, Sissy, Jacque, and all Mud's family and friends. He will truly be missed!

Linda Shoemaker - January 18, 2021 at 02:14 PM



I ran around with Wayne in High School. I helped with winter plowing and drank a lot of refreshments with Wayne. I knew Wayne as Hammer Head". That's what his friends in the Atterberry Rough Riders called him. I don't know anybody that didn't like Wayne. I will remember Hammer Head as a loyal friend and as crazy as a road lizzard. Rest in Peace my friend.

Gary Boehm - January 25, 2021 at 04:43 PM

BT

I am so sorry to see that Wayne has passed away he was a fellow class mate of 72. My prayers are with your family.

Barbara Metzger Troxell - January 26, 2021 at 12:18 AM