



Jerry Mack Dunn

February 4, 1939 - July 24, 2016

Jerry Mack Dunn, 77, of Charlotte, passed away on July 24, 2016 in Charlotte, MI. He was born on February 4, 1939 to John and Ila (Ponder) Dunn in Detroit, MI. Jerry was a graduate of Sexton High School in 1957. On March 27, 1964 he married Linda Emehiser at the First Christian Church in Lansing.

Jerry was full of love and laughter. One of his nephews described him as, "Patriarch extraordinaire. He was the most giving selfless quick to forgive person I have ever known....Uncle Jerry was always there for family...he was always there for anyone. Quick with a joke and a smile. Always ready to lighten your burden. Anyone who knew this man was blessed."

Jerry worked as a driver for CATA for 21 years. He is best known as the original Santa on the bus at Christmas time. His last seven years at CATA Jerry moved to Dispatcher for CATA. When asked what he did for a job he would say "As a driver I got to tell people where to get off.... and as a dispatcher I got to tell people where to go."

Jerry loved to drive even after work. It wasn't unusual for him to return home for the day and then pack the family up for a ride to see what was happening around the area Family vacations were always driving events with family and extended family along for the ride. One of the families favorite trips was a week-long trip around the state of Michigan when the children were younger.

To paraphrase his usual greeting when someone would ask him how he was doing, he would now say "I am superb and better."

Jerry is survived by his wife, Linda; two daughters, Jerilyn Dunn of Lansing, MI, Christina Marie Dunn of Lansing, MI; son, William David Dunn of Akron, OH; three brothers, James Richard Dunn of Pensacola, FL, Jack M. Dunn of Lansing, MI, David M. Dunn of Lansing, MI; two sisters, Virginia Frances (George) Purcell of Vista, CA, Carolyn Lee Davis of Lansing, MI; five grandchildren and one great granddaughter. He was preceded in death by parents.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, July 30, 2016, 2:00 PM at the First Christian Church, 1001 Chester Road, Lansing, with Rev. Dr. Rick Boyd, officiating. Memorials are suggested to the First Christian Church.

The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Family and friends are encouraged to share remembrances and condolences online in Jerry's Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL **30**. 2:00 PM (ET)

First Christian Church Of Lansing
1001 Chester Road
Lansing, MI 48912

Tribute Wall



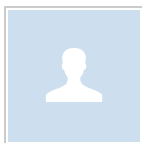
“ So sorry to hear of your loss! Went to school with Jerry and Jack great guys. Prayers go out to your family.

Cynthia (Raimier) Shoilty - August 10, 2016 at 10:59 AM



“ I have lots of fond memories of Mr. Dunn. Growing up with his kids in Lansing. He was one of the only people my dog used to bark at. But he would bark right back at her. :) He would come over all dressed as Santa, I used to think that he was just making a special trip to our house. We are so sorry for your loss. Jerry was a Great friend to so many and Loved by so many. So sorry we cannot be there, Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Love Laurie Robinson

Laurie Robinson - July 28, 2016 at 03:52 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jerry Mack Dunn.



July 27, 2016 at 09:05 PM

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“ *My deepest sympathy to Jerry's family. I became acquainted with him when his grandchildren attended Galewood School. He was always upbeat with a smile on his face. It was impossible not to feel happy after being in his company. So sorry for your loss.*

Carol Rossio

Carol Rossio - July 26, 2016 at 04:42 PM

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you go through this very trying time. May God help you keep the happy memories close to heart and get you through these sad days.*

Dolly Gauvey - July 25, 2016 at 07:47 AM