



## Allen Maurer

September 11, 2021

Allen Maurer Passed in peace at the age of 75 Saturday evening at Portsmouth Naval Hospital. Preceded in death by his one true love, Bonnie Maurer.

He was a loving father of Michael Mentor and Shane Maurer. Proud Papa of Brittany Mentor, Sierra Moss, Nathan Mentor, and Ryan Mentor and great-grandpapa of Calliope Moss" Callie". Allen was the brother of Marilyn Filozof, Daryl Maurer, Donna Maurer, Fred Maurer, Joan Maurer, and Lori Palermo. Further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

Al was an avid train enthusiast, master of the never funny dad joke, keeper of the ledger, bowler, die hard Phillies fan, dedicated member of St Andrew Lutheran Church, proud patriot, and a US Coast Guard Veteran of 22 years.

His sons will miss his smile, his laugh, his awful jokes, his honesty, his integrity, and his warm hugs.

A celebration of his life will be held at 2pm Thursday in St Andrew Lutheran Church 4811 High St W, Portsmouth, VA 23703. Burial with military honors will follow at Meadowbrook Memorial Gardens.

## Cemetery Details

### Meadowbrook Memorial Gardens

4569 Shoulders Hill Road  
Suffolk, VA 23435

## Previous Events

### Celebration of Life

SEP **16**. 2:00 PM.

St Andrew Lutheran Church

# Tribute Wall

FO

“ Al was my Meals on Wheels partner for the last 15 years or so. He was a dear friend and confidant. He loved his sons and was still in love with Bonnie. He was always available to help, whether it was to remove shutters from the second story of my 190 yo house in Olde Towne, or, just to give wise advice. He and my husband, Cliff, would frequently have dinner and a movie at the Commodore. The last time we went, he gently helped Cliff out of the theatre while I brought the car around. Cliff's memory is fading, but, he clearly remembers the gentleness with which Al helped him.



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**Fran Olsen** - September 17, 2021 at 05:47 PM

WJ

“ Al is definitely going to be missed I know that he loved Bonnie and his boys with all of his heart. I'll never forget I never have met anyone that could do a crossword puzzle without looking up the definitions before in my life I thought he was the smartest person that I had ever met and then I never heard the term nuke until we went up there to stay and he was talking about nuking coffee. I really enjoyed being around him he was such a good hearted person. Rest In Peace Love David and Wanda Jones

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**Wanda Jones** - September 17, 2021 at 01:41 PM

RC

“ *Al was a wonderful, special friend who I got to share dinners, concerts and movies with. We were two single people who were able to do fun things together. He gave so much to his church and his family. I will never forget watching him drive the race car around the track at Dover, or tripping over my cane and telling me he was just jealous and was trying to get one of his own so he could get better parking spaces... LOL. He made me laugh, and I know he and Bonnie are smiling together in heaven. Rest in peace my friend.*  
*Ruth Cooper*

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**Ruth Cooper** - September 16, 2021 at 04:15 PM

PG

“ *Allen was a true honest person that we all loves very much, he will surely be missed I love you Al, yours sister-in-law Patsy, God truly does have a great angel.*

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**Patsy Gore** - September 16, 2021 at 11:27 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Allen Maurer.*



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September 16, 2021 at 08:50 AM

MM

“Dad,  
When I first met you...you were my guardian and protector.  
Later you became my father and I your son.  
In our recent years together we were more like old friends.  
Allen passed knowing he was loved.  
We presented him with an IPAD filled with videos, messages, and pics from his family as he lay in isolation in the COVID ward.. We didn't want him to feel alone. He wasn't supposed to speak due to O2 concerns but couldn't help himself but to tell the nurse holding the IPAD all about his family... know one could ever stop my dad from talking lol. My last memory of him will be of him turning to look at my brother and I through the window to say “thank you” .... My brother and I want to THANK YOU...for being our Guardian, our Father, and our Friend. We will miss you and in between the bowling and softball games please say hi to mom for us.



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**Michael Mentor** - September 15, 2021 at 10:57 PM



“Darlene Miller lit a candle in memory of Allen Maurer



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**Darlene Miller** - September 15, 2021 at 09:19 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of *Allen Maurer*.



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September 15, 2021 at 08:31 PM

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“ A tribute to our oldest brother Allen Tennyson Maurer by Donna Maurer



*On 9/11/2021, God whispered to our brother, "if you take my hand my son, I will be with you when the day is done.*

*Allen was the oldest of seven siblings. He has touched the lives of many. He will be missed by these friends but we will never forget what we all shared as a family.*

*All families have stories. Let me share some of ours involving Allen.*

*Allen demonstrated his generous spirit when he purchased a home for our grandparents who had to relocate suddenly.*

*Allen never took himself seriously. He proudly said he graduated third in his high school class. Then would laugh and say , out of ten.*

*Allen demonstrated his patience when giving sister Marilyn a driving lesson which ended with her crashing into a tree. Neither were hurt but needless to say Allen gave no more driving lessons to Marilyn.*

*Allen could keep family secrets. One summer, some of the Maurer family visited Allen and Bonnie on Governor's Island, NY to attend a Mets-Phillies game. Nana baked a cake for the visit which no one got to enjoy as Stormy, Allen's dog at the time decided to devour the cake while everyone was at the game. All agreed - don't tell Nana.*

*Allen was innovative. Like all of us Maurer's, he loved playing pinochle especially when he visited the Maurer homestead during the holidays , when the entire family was there. To accommodate the number of players we had available, Allen and brother Daryl developed the six-handed pinochle game. A mainstay at Christmas time.*

*Allen had a great sense of humor. Too many moments to reflect on. One of my favorites is Allen, our Dad, and my dog Lucky, sitting on a large lounge chair when suddenly, simultaneously, Allen and Dad say, "was it you" and got off the chair in sync. Lucky did what all dogs do. Breaking wind. We laughed for ages.*

*Allen was passionate about his sport teams: the Philadelphia Phillies, Indianapolis Colts and Norte Dame football. Our father loved trains which he passed to Allen and Allen passed to his son, Shane.*

*This is just a small glimpse of the Allen we knew.*

*Allen's faith was strong. When he lost the love of his life, Bonnie, in July 2004, he never fully recovered from the loss but he knew one day they would be together again. That day has come. I know he is at peace now.*

*Allen served his country, his church, and his community. I can not think of a more fitting day than 9/11 to receive his heavenly reward.*

*As our mother would say, love you lots. We will miss you. Till we meet again. Your brothers and sisters: Marilyn, Daryl, Donna, Frederick, Joan, Lori.*

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**Donna** - September 15, 2021 at 07:47 PM

MC

*“ I only knew Al a short time as I had the pleasure of getting to know him through Weekly Bible study.  
He was a joy to be around and was so knowledgeable about the Bible .  
He will be truly missed .  
Until we meet again good and Faithful servant.*



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**Mary C Coleman** - September 15, 2021 at 06:54 PM

EB

“ *Al was a wonderful person who contributed to his church in many ways. He was a thoughtful participant in the church's bible study. He will be missed by all.*

Edith Blake - September 15, 2021 at 06:16 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Allen Maurer.*



September 15, 2021 at 03:38 PM

DW

“ *It was such a great honor to know Al. I will miss his wisdom in our Bible studies and him greeting me Sunday mornings. Condolences to Al's family. Love, Debbie W.*

Debbie Waters - September 15, 2021 at 12:33 PM