



Don Allen

August 31, 1933 - March 18, 2024

Donald Francis Allen, beloved husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, and friend, passed away peacefully in Macon GA on the morning of March 18. He was born on August 31, 1933, in Rochester, New York, to the late Ruth Clark and Willis S. Allen. He is preceded in death by his loving wife of 58 years, Frances Jean Sullivan Allen.

Don graduated from Fairport High School in 1951 and then served his country in the Coast Guard from 1952 to 1956, stationed in Alaska and various locations along the Great Lakes. Following his military service, he embarked on a successful career in the airline industry, working for Mohawk Airlines and United Airlines. Later, he founded two different travel agencies in Warner Robins and Milledgeville, Georgia, where he shared his passion for exploration with countless travelers.

A dedicated member of the community, Don was actively involved in the Knights of Columbus for 54 years and the Warner Robins Air Force Appreciation Association. He coached baseball, played golf, and after 50 years, finally achieved a hole-in-one, a testament to his perseverance and love for the game.

Don was known for his sharp wit, kind heart, and unwavering faith. A devout Catholic, he found solace and strength in his faith throughout his life. He cherished time spent with family, especially traveling the world with his wife and children, visiting destinations like Greece, New Zealand, Alaska, and the World Series.

In 1957, Don met the love of his life, Frances Jean Sullivan, and they married on January 18, 1958, on a sunny day in Bristow, OK. Surrounded by family and friends. Together, they raised four children: Donald Jr., Julianne, Mary, and Bill. He was also blessed with eight grandchildren: Walter, Caitlin, David, Gracie, Max, Julia, Sam, and Bea, who brought him immense joy and pride. And most recently he was overjoyed to become a great grandfather to Lily. Don's adventurous spirit and love for life touched all who knew him. His legacy of laughter, love, and exploration will live on in the hearts of those he leaves behind.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Knight's College Scholarship Fund, which provides college scholarships to local students, or the Knight's Seminarian Fund, which provides stipends to seminarians studying for the priesthood. Donations can be dropped off at the Church office or mailed to Rick Doug, KofC Financial Secretary, 136 Cambridge Dr. S, Milledgeville, GA 31061. Checks should be made out to Knights of Columbus, with the specified designation of "Seminarian Fund" or "Scholarship Fund" written in the "memo" portion of the check.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, March 24, 2024 from 4 to 6 at Williams Funeral Home and Crematory, 1670 N. Jefferson St., Milledgeville, GA. A Funeral Mass will be held Monday March 25th at 11:00 am Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 110 N Jefferson St., Milledgeville, GA.

Don is survived by two sisters Carol Steiger of Hilton, NY and Betty Muzeka of Altamonte Springs, FL.; four children, Donald Francis Allen, Jr. of Columbus, GA, Julianne Frances Flowers of Burien, WA, Mary Leslie Hartman of Westcliffe, CO, and Bill Allen of Seattle, WA.; eight grandkids Walter Flowers, Caitlin Flowers, David Flowers, Max Allen, Julia Allen, Gracie Flowers, Sam Allen and Bea Allen; and one great grandchild Lily Allen. He is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Previous Events

Receive Friends

MAR **24**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

DR

“ I wasn't aware of Don's passing until after the services and am truly sorry that I wasn't able to attend. I worked with Don at Ship and Shore Travel for 19 years and cannot say enough good things about that time in my work history. Don was the most understanding boss anyone could ask for. To share memories of that time together would take a book to list. I was able to witness his and Fran's wonderful married life which gave all around them an inspiration of what a marriage should be. Their love for their children was evident in each mention of one of their names. He will be greatly missed. Glad you finally got that hole in one!

*Dianne Ray
Milledgeville, Georgia*

Dianne A Ray - March 26, 2024 at 10:43 PM

TK

“ Bob and I have many fond memories of Don and Fran when they lived in Kansas City. Fran was my roommate at St. Mary College in Leavenworth, Kansas. I was at the wedding in Bristow, Oklahoma. Don and my husband were golf buddies. I was present when Julie was born in Kansas City. I noted Julie, that your Dad passed away a day after your 62nd birthday.

*I wish I could be present for the funeral and join the family.
I know Don's memory and spirit will stay with you always.*

*Thelma and Bob Kline
Laurel Springs, NJ*

Thelma Kline - March 23, 2024 at 11:27 PM

JF

“ Don planned very many international trips for John& me. We didn't want to go on group tours
By the time he retired fortunately I'd learned from him how to plan trips to foreign countries. His trips gave us such joy! A great man.

Janet P Ferguson - March 23, 2024 at 12:16 PM