



Leslie "Allen" Curley

April 28, 1943 - May 12, 2020

Leslie Allen Curley was born on April 28, 1943, in St. Louis, Missouri to Delbert and Lorene (Fox) Curley and passed away on May 12, 2020, in Salem, Missouri at age of seventy-seven years.

Allen grew up on the family farm in Lenox, Missouri and attended school in a one-room schoolhouse near Anutt. He entered the United States Army on March 2, 1965 and served his country faithfully until his honorable discharge on February 3, 1967. While stationed in Okinawa, Allen was assigned to guard a missile site with his dog "Prince". During his time in the military, he was able to travel the world and for his faithful service, Allen earned many decorations, medals, ribbons, and awards. After his time in the service, Allen met the love of his life, Sandra Faye Mason. Allen and Sandra were united in marriage on November 4, 1967 and together shared fifty-two years of marriage and were blessed with three daughters: Dana, Denise, and Melissa.

A self-employed entrepreneur, Allen worked hard to provide for his family. He was a man of many trades who throughout the years worked for United Telephone, sold Combined Insurance door to door, opened Curley Insurance Agency, and was an agent for Capital Savings and Loan. Allen was co-owner of Salem Pine Pole and later founded Timber Industries Inc. He built three hardware stores in Rolla, Salem, and Roby. During all this time Allen was a multi-level marketer with numerous companies. He was always on the phone

“pitching” something and his family always teased him “we’re going to bury you with your phone in hand”.

In his spare time, Allen enjoyed fishing at the lake with his buddies Carl and Eddie. He also spent many hours flying his Cessna 150. Allen loved watching westerns, especially John Wayne and Lone Ranger. He had a competitive spirit and enjoyed playing “Backup 8”. Due to his hard work, Allen and his family were able to travel the world to include England, Switzerland, Bahamas and Hawaii. Allen cherished the time spent with his family and friends, especially with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Allen is survived by his loving wife Sandra Curley of the home; three children: Dana Connell and husband Wes of Salem, MO, Denise Copeland and husband Ron of Salem, MO, and Melissa DuBois and husband Greg of Rolla, MO; four siblings: Joyce Gray of Salem, MO, Janice Roper and husband Bob of Edgar Springs, MO, Michael Curley and wife Jequetta of Viburnum, MO, and Teresa Decker and husband Lyndell of Salem, MO; three sisters-in-law: Mary Ann Curley of Salem, MO, Gisela Curley of Salem, MO, and Doris Mason of Florissant, MO; eleven grandchildren: Zach Chafin and wife Kerri, Danielle Kissir and husband Andy, Katelyn Connell, Grant Connell, Garrett Connell, Caleb Copeland, Cameron Copeland, Emma Copeland, Kaiden DuBois, Sylis DuBois, and Krielle DuBois; three great-grandchildren: Carter and Kolby Kissir, and Lola Chafin; as well as several nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Preceding him in death were his parents: Delbert and Lorene Curley; brothers: Leroy Curley, Larry Curley, Jack Curley, and Wayne Curley; sisters: Gail Curley and Brenda Curley; brother-in-law, David Gray Sr.; and nephews: Daniel Decker and Nicholas Harbison.

Allen was a strong man of faith, who was a devoted husband, father,

grandfather, and great-grandfather. He will be deeply missed.

Funeral Services for Leslie Allen Curley were held Saturday, May 16, 2020 in the Wilson Mortuary Salem with Pastor Lyndell Decker officiating. Song selections played were "I Wish Grandpas Never Die" and "On the Other Side", closing with the Lone Ranger theme song. Arrangements were under the direction of Wilson Mortuary of Salem, Missouri.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 16. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Sandy & family, we were so sorry to learn of Allen's passing. Please accept our heartfelt sympathy to you and your family. Thought the Life Tributes page of photos was really a great thing brought back a lot of fond memories we have of Allen and you and your family from a long, long time ago. Sincerely, Rod & Marlene Dingess

Rod & Marlene Dingess - May 16, 2020 at 11:27 PM

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“ Social distancing is tough at a time like this so here is my hug for you all. I will always be grateful to Allen for giving me a job at T.I. At that time I was laying at home after back surgery wondering how I was going to provide for my family . Thanks Big Al. Danny

Danny Drury - May 16, 2020 at 01:22 PM

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“ Sandy and family, Our deepest sympathy and prayers for peaceful hearts.
Kay and John Meyer



Kay and John Meyer - May 15, 2020 at 08:01 PM



“ 162 files added to the album LifeTributes



Wilson Mortuary - May 15, 2020 at 01:00 PM



Sorry to hear of Allen's passing.

Melvin Medley - May 16, 2020 at 01:32 PM



“ Our sincere condolences go out to the family and all who loved Allen. Jeff and Barb Oaker

Barbara Oaker - May 14, 2020 at 01:55 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Leslie "Allen" Curley.



May 14, 2020 at 12:53 PM



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May 14, 2020 at 10:26 AM



“ *So sorry to hear about Allen's passing He fought to stay here for long time prayers to all especially Sandy she became a good friend while she and I visited Joe and Allen in Rolla Joe and Bobby Camden*

Joe and Bobby Camden - May 13, 2020 at 07:27 PM



“ *Dennis Inman lit a candle in memory of Leslie "Allen" Curley*



Dennis Inman - May 13, 2020 at 07:16 PM