



## Ronald W. Allison

June 19, 1931 - September 4, 2010

Ronald Allison, of Salem, quietly passed away surrounded by family.

He is survived by his wife, Lea, four children, Andrew, Michael and wife Elizabeth, Joseph and wife Kim, Samantha and husband Gary, and 7 granddaughters.

Originally from Michigan City, IN, Ron attended Purdue University on a football scholarship. He enlisted in the Air Force during the Korean War and served in Alaska. He worked on the radar sites of the D.E.W. Line in northern Canada and the B.M.E.W.'s Project in Thule, Greenland, after which he returned to Purdue and finished his education. He retired from Ford Motor Company after 26 years and owned a consulting business for 8 years before moving to Salem where he enjoyed his golf and travel.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, September 7, 2010, at St. Francis Catholic Church, Walhalla.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Oconee Hospice of the Foothills Foundation, 298 Memorial Drive, Seneca, SC 29672.

# Tribute Wall

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“ One of the fondest memory I have my dad was when he and I worked together on a brown and white 1973 Ford F150. This is when I was in High School. He cut me a great deal when it came to using it. I would pay for the insurance and gas. He would pay the note. I can't recall whether I held up my end of the bargain when it came to paying the insurance, but there you have it.

The carburetor on the truck engine was failing and needed a rebuild. Dad bought a rebuild kit with fuel jet screws, fittings and gaskets. He had me make a drawing of the current carburetor with all the wires and hoses attached to make it easier to reassemble after the rebuild. He removed the carburetor and brought it into the garage. We set up a table and some chairs and got to work. He read the directions and ask me for each piece that I could identify on my own. He would remove one screw and replace it with the new one. Same with the gaskets and other fittings.

We got under the hood and using my diagram, he re-attached all the wires and hoses. We fired up the truck and it was running a little rough. Dad made a few adjustment to the fuel/air mixture jet screws and it purred like a lion. These were just about the happiest 3 hours that I'd ever spent with him. He was kind, gentle, encouraging and then elated when that engine turned over.

It's hard to believe that it's been 15 years since his passing. I just wish that I could have understood better where he was coming from when it came to traditional values and teaching me what it meant to be a man. The hippie culture of the day was very influential and was diametrically opposed to traditional values and I had to pick a road to walk down. I picked a road that was dishonoring to parents. I'm back where I belong, a path that honors one's mother and father.

~Joseph Allison

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Joseph Allison - September 04, 2025 at 04:31 PM



“ *Ronald W. Allison*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Lewis Hooks lit a candle in memory of Ronald W. Allison*



**Lewis Hooks** - October 22, 2021 at 12:49 AM



“ *Dear Lea and family,  
While my condolences are belated, my respect and love for Ron never was. He was a memorable man, so warm and generous with his time and wisdom. I always enjoyed talking with him at the meetings and never went away without learning from Ron something important for my life lessons. I was blessed to know him. My prayer for all of you is God's grace and strength for you to make the passage into this new phase of your lives.*

*God bless,*

*Ellen Hotz*##imported-begin##Ellen Hotz##imported-end##

September 09, 2010 at 06:26 PM



“ *Lea and family,  
Ron's influence on my life will not be forgotten. He 'promoted' me to the assistant to the coffee maker in our group and sat with me for encouragement as I lead my first meetings. He will be greatly missed but his example will be remembered for a long time to come. My thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Donnine##imported-end##*

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September 06, 2010 at 09:02 PM



“ *Lea,  
Our thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family during this difficult time.  
Wanda and Roger##imported-begin##Wanda Heffelfinger##imported-end##*

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September 06, 2010 at 11:29 AM



“ Dear Allison family,  
I am deeply sorry to hear of the passing of Ronald. I would like to take this opportunity to express y deepest sympathy to the family. I know that it is a grievous thing to lose someone close to you. The shock of the loss may seem more than you can bear. Grief may take hold, causing loss of sleep, loneliness and sorrow. The loss you are now feeling may be the severest emotional experience of your life. You may even feel as King David did when his son Absalom died.(2 Samuel 18:33). You may even ask yourself such questions as: How can I endure this? Where can I turn for encouragement and help?  
Without question the best encouragement that can be given is from God's word the Bible. The Bible gives the most satisfying answers to the questions: "Why do we die?" and "What hope is there for the dead?" The truth from the Bible can help to lessen the sorrow and grief that you are feeling at this time. The Bible gives us a hope for the future. God has promised to reunite families together again by means of a resurrection.(John 5:28,29)(Acts 24:15).##imported-begin##Sandra Smith##imported-end##

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September 06, 2010 at 07:58 AM



“ Ron will be missed by all.He made a big impack on many people's life. My Condolences to the family at this sad time.##imported-begin##Jay Wood##imported-end##

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September 06, 2010 at 07:26 AM



“ May you find comfort in your memories. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Lezlie Farmer##imported-begin##Lezlie Farmer##imported-end##

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September 05, 2010 at 09:30 PM