



Allan W. Joy

September 4, 1959 - March 28, 2025

IN MEMORY OF:

Allan W. Joy

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – MURPHYSBORO

1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois

Allan W. Joy, age 65, of Murphysboro, passed away on Friday, March 28, 2025 at St. Joseph Memorial Hospital in Murphysboro.

He was born on September 4, 1959 to Arthur and Laura (Smyly) Joy in Atlanta, Georgia. On December 31, 2002, he married Betty Lee and together they spent over 20 years together until her death in 2023.

Allan was a 20 year retired Master Sergeant for the United States Marine Corp. He held A Bachelor of Arts Degree and was a History and Government teacher and worked as a Correctional Officer at Menard Correctional Center. In his spare time, Allan loved to travel.

Survivors include his step-mother, Judy Joy; sister, Beverly (Rob) Dickinson; step-sister, Nancy (Kevin) Smith; brother-in-law, Scott Lee (Debbie Mifflin); nieces, Amanda (Jacob) Brown, Jessica Dickinson, Ashley (Justin) Moniger, Kailyn Moniger; nephews, Robert Dickinson, Braden Mifflin, Danny (Meredith) Lee, Landon Lee, Grant Lee, Colsen Lee, Jase Moniger, Jackson Lee; sister-in-law, Debbie Lee; mother-in-law, Carolyn Lee; and family friend and caregiver, Harold Daleska.

He was preceded in death by his parents and wife.

Funeral Services will be held on Friday, April 4, 2025 at 1:00 PM at Camp Creek Baptist Church in Murphysboro with Eric Hanson officiating. Visitation will be held the day of the service at the church from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM.

Interment will follow the service at Lee Cemetery in Murphysboro, Illinois.

In Lieu of flowers, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be made to Camp Creek Baptist Church.

Crain Funeral Home in Murphysboro is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Lee Cemetery

Murphysboro, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 4. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (cst)

Camp Creek Baptist Church
Murphysboro, IL

Funeral Service

APR 4. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (cst)

Camp Creek Baptist Church
Murphysboro, IL

Interment

APR 4. 1:45 PM - 2:15 PM (cst)

Lee Cemetery
Murphysboro, IL

Tribute Wall

AM

“ I took care of Al with physical therapy at his home after his aneurysm and subsequal stroke. He was one of the biggest success stories I've ever been apart of. Through all of that, even when he couldn't walk the best, he could still the the entire alphabet backwards. He was great to work with. He's with Betty now. RIP.

Adam Mileur - April 10, 2025 at 05:12 PM

AW

“ Your watch has ended Devil Dog. We will carry on for you! See you at the pearly gates my friend.

Anthony Williams - April 02, 2025 at 06:17 PM

DK

“ Al, I will truly miss you! You were a very special man. I know you are with Betty now. I know you are happy as hell now. We shall meet again!

Debbie Kirkland - April 01, 2025 at 12:48 PM

SL

“ Allan was the kindest most caring man I have ever had the privilege to know. He loved and gave my sister the best 20 years any husband could ever give. He will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved him. He is at peace now and he has been reunited with my sister and his family. I will see you again and will miss you every day.

Scott

Scott Lee - April 01, 2025 at 02:04 AM

