



## Silas "Jerry" Starnes

August 28, 1940 - January 24, 2019

STARNES, Silas "Jerry", 78, resident of Prattville, AL passed away on Thursday, January 24, 2019. Funeral mass will be held on Monday, January 28, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Father Charles Troncale officiating. Visitation will be held on Monday at St. Joseph's from 10:30 until 11:30 a.m. Mr. Starnes proudly served his country in the United States Air Force for over 26 years, and later he also retired from the State of Alabama Public Safety Dept. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, and was an active leader in the Boy Scouts of America for over 25 years. He had a passion for gardening to the extent that he was a certified Master Gardener. Mr. Starnes was preceded in death by his parents, Silas and Pauline Starnes; and his Aunt Jen Simmons. He is survived by his loving wife of 53 years, Shirley Starnes; two sons, Jerry Starnes and David (Kim) Starnes; one brother, Larry (Linda) Starnes; three grandchildren, Jett, Reese, and Taylor Starnes; and numerous extended family members and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Heart Association.

# Cemetery Details

## Prattville Memory Gardens

841 Fairview Avenue  
Prattville, AL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 28. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Joseph  
511 N. Memorial Dr.  
Prattville, AL

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

LL

“ *Larry Leigh Apollo Beach Fl. Sorry to hear about Jerry. We were very close friends at Concord High School, we were together at school and on weekends. When Judy and I went to S.C to get married Jerry went with us. He was a first class friend and will be missed.*

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**Larry Leigh** - June 09, 2019 at 12:13 PM

LH

“ *My heart is heavy for my longtime friend Shirley, who has lost her mate of 53 years. I have so many great memories of Jerry, after first meeting him when he worked as a bartender at the Airman's Club, Maxwell AFB, AL. Shirley shyly admitted to me, her attraction for a certain bartender. I was currently dating Jerry's friend and he told me that Jerry was interested in my friend. So matchmaker skills took over and the rest is history, a match made in Heaven. I was a lightweight at drinking so I asked Jerry if he could make a Shirley Temple look like a cocktail drink. He assured me that he could, so when men asked me what I wanted, I just told them to ask the bartender for my special! What fun we had! I send my most heartfelt sympathies to you Shirley, your children, grandchildren, and many friends who will miss Silas "Jerry" Starnes. His great sense of humor, his boisterous laugh, and grand personality made him a favorite of all who knew him. May God bless you with the peace that passes all understanding and your faith carry you through the difficult days ahead. I love you, my friend*

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**Linda Hampton** - February 01, 2019 at 07:56 PM

DM

“ I was so shocked to see this this morning. Jerry was a dear friend to me over the years as well as a guiding force for me in the many years we shared together working at Public Safety. I enjoyed seeing him when he came in the Maxwell Exchange the past couple of years. He brightened my day every time. He was an important part of my life and I will miss him so very very much. I want to offer my condolences to his family and my prayers as they go through this time of loss. Please let me know if there is anything I can do.

Sincerely,  
Deric K. McCrory

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**Deric McCrory** - February 01, 2019 at 08:24 AM

FB

“ Sorry to hear about Jerry. He will be missed by many. I man of great faith and family. I always enjoyed being around him because you couldn't help but laugh and smile when you were talking to him. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him.-Fr. Chris Boutin

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**Fr. Chris Boutin** - January 30, 2019 at 10:28 AM

DG

“ I have known Jerry since the late 1970s when I got into Boy Scouts. He was one of the assistant scoutmasters in my troop. That man always had something funny to say to lighten the mood...rain or shine. I had the opportunity to reconnect with him at the Prattville CityFest a couple of years ago. Hadnt seen each other since the early 80s. Still remembered me and still had his sharp sense of humor. My prayers of comfort are with his wife Shirley and the rest of the family are with them tonight.

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**Dan Gates** - January 30, 2019 at 12:46 AM

JH

“ *The Jerry Starnes I knew was a kind and loving man. Jerry's smile and humor were contagious and I always felt a little better after being around him. He will be missed by his family and fellow parishioners at Saint Joseph Catholic Church. May God receive his soul and shed the light of His love on him. May the perpetual light shine on him.*

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**Jim Harrell** - January 28, 2019 at 09:32 AM

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“ *Prayers to Shirley and family. Fond memories of Jerry attending Mass and church functions back in the 70's and later Square Dancing with him in Prattville and Montgomery. A nice and kind man. Prayers for peace and comfort to his family.*

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**Peggy Tedford** - January 28, 2019 at 08:38 AM

JJ

“ *Jerry was a long time friend from the military and beyond. When I wanted to return to Maxwell from Taiwan for my last tour of duty before retiring, Jerry made it happen. I was forever in his debt. I will miss my good friend. Shirley, My prayers are with you.*

*Jack Joseph*

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**Jack Joseph** - January 27, 2019 at 12:24 PM



“ Shirley, I was so sad to see the obituary this morning in the Montgomery Advertiser. Jerry was a wonderful man and always so in love with you. He was a true romantic and was always bringing you flowers at work (ADPH) and planning great things for you. I know this is heartbreaking for you. I am praying for comfort and peace during this time.  
I am praying for the family as well.  
Love you! Linda Hines Hornsby

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**LO Hines** - January 27, 2019 at 10:12 AM



“ Shirl & family, sorry to hear about Jerry. Was close friends with Jerry growing up during his Concord , NC years. Glad we reconnected for the last few years. Wishing you strength and peace during this most difficult time.  
Darrell McClamrock & Teresa , Concord, NC

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**Darrell McClamrock** - January 25, 2019 at 05:47 PM