



Jerome E. "Jerry" Grace

March 20, 1947 - September 27, 2021

Jerome E. "Jerry" Grace, 74, of Cornwall, passed away on Monday September 27, 2021 at Wellspan Good Samaritan Hospital. He was the husband of Doris L. (Ilgenfritz) Grace, with whom he celebrated 28 years in marriage.

Jerry was born in Lebanon on March 20, 1947 to the late John Grace, Jr., and Virginia (Hartman) Grace. He was a 1966 Lebanon High School graduate. He earned his associates degree from The Industrial Management Institute in Reading. He was a US Air Force Veteran. He had retired as lead designer from Fisher-Klosterman. He had attended Holy Trinity Lutheran in Lebanon. He enjoyed gardening, being in the pool, traveling, doing jigsaw puzzles, and spending time with his family.

Surviving in addition to his wife is a son, William F. Books and his wife Lori of Myerstown, grandchildren, Nicole and Michael, a brother, John Grace, III and his wife Janice of Littleton, CO, and Stephanie Eck and her husband Michael of Lebanon. He is also survived by a niece and three nephews.

Services will be held privately.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to American Cancer Society, PO Box 42040 Oklahoma City, OK 73123, please note the memo is for Jerome E. Grace, and that he is from Lebanon County, Pennsylvania, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 723 Lehman St, Lebanon, PA 17046.

Tribute Wall

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“ To Dotty Grace and the family and friends of Jerry, our deepest sympathies go out to you. May the Lord bring you comfort and peace, God bless you.

It's hard to accept our longtime friend is no longer with us. I think of Jerry and I feel a tug on my heart and a tear in my eye. Jerry, Willie and I joined the Air Force in 1966 and were together for the better part of four years. We were stationed in Georgia followed by a one year tour of duty in Thailand until we were discharged. Jerry was my best friend during those years but time moves on and we had little contact for many years. At some point we came together again and met several times with Jerry and Dotty, usually on one of their cross-country adventures. Good times those were.

Rest in peace dear friend, we will miss you. You have left your imprint on all those who know you. Love, Rick and Vickie.

Rick Dege - October 01, 2021 at 09:29 PM

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Christopher Grace - September 30, 2021 at 12:49 PM



“ Christopher Grace lit a candle in memory of Jerome E. "Jerry" Grace



Christopher Grace - September 30, 2021 at 12:10 PM

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“ I have many fond memories of Uncle Jerry. One of my favorites is sitting at the kitchen table at grandma and granpa's playing hearts.

If you're not familiar with the card game, you try to avoid getting points by getting stuck with hearts. But if you get all the hearts and the queen of spades, you get to deduct a whole bunch of points from your tally. So if you were trying to get them all, you needed to keep it secret. Otherwise someone else could intentionally get one heart and you'd get stuck with a lot of points.

I must have been around eight years old. My Dad and Stephanie were playing too - the whole family was sitting around the table in the little kitchen in Lebanon.

I'd look over at Jerry and studied him. He had his poker face on. He'd get stuck with a heart here and there. No fanfare. The hand would continue. He'd get more hearts. The family began looking his way a bit more, raising their eyebrows. Then there came a point where he took another heart and it became clear to everyone his was going for them all. He'd break out into a smile and laugh as only he does with his chin down from deep in his check. Hee hee hee hee!

*I love you Jerry,
Chris*

Christopher Grace - September 30, 2021 at 12:02 PM

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“ *Doris, and family. I'm so sorry for your loss. Jerry was such a wonderful person he always had a smile on his face. He loved his family so much, may the memories of him comfort you, You and all who loved him are in my prayers. Thinking of you Take care 🥺🥺💕💕💕*



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