



## Addison Jerry Gerrity

July 28, 1923 - January 17, 2008

Addison Gerald "Jerry" Gerrity, 84, of Kankakee, died Thursday (Jan. 17, 2008) at Provena St. Mary's emergency room. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Bourbonnais, and from 10 a.m. Tuesday at Maternity BVM Catholic Church in Bourbonnais, until the 11 a.m. funeral Mass. Inurnment will be in Sea Side Memorial Park in Corpus Christi, Texas. Memorials may be made to the Knights of Columbus. Mr. Gerrity was an accountant at A.O. Smith, Jones & McKinght, Kankakee Electric Steel and Armour Pharmaceutical. He also ran an income tax preparation business from his home for over 40 years. He was born July 28, 1923, the son of Gerald and Muriel Addison Gerrity. His wife, the former JoAnn LaGessee, whom he married Sept. 1, 1951, died Sept. 12, 1994. He was a graduate of Calumet High School in Chicago and attended Gallagher Business College. He served during World War II in the U.S. Army. He was a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus for over 50 years. He held charter membership in Notre Dame Council at Maternity BVM Catholic Church and at Most Precious Blood Church in Corpus Christi. He held many offices, including grand Knight and was awarded the masters medallion in 2007. He also held offices with Junior Achievement, CYO and Boy Scouts. He was also the past Village Clerk of Papineau. He was Eucharistic minister for many years at hospitals in Corpus Christi. Surviving are two sons, Kevin Gerrity of Corpus Christi, Patrick Gerrity of Chicago; two daughters and one son-in-law, Maureen Theesfeld of San Antonio, Texas, Karen and Gary Regnier of

Kankakee; eight grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. Deceased are two sisters, Ardythe Fowler and Elayne Taylor; and one brother, Francis "Gus" Gerrity.

# Tribute Wall



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“ ÿ½ÿ½ÿ½ÿ½Our deepest sympathy to his family.##imported-begin##Leo & Theresa Demers##imported-end##

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“ Patrick: ÿ½ÿ½ÿ½I was just reading the obituary of your father. ÿ½ÿ½ÿ½I'm sorry of his passing - I remember you speaking of him quite often during our years working in P.R. at RMC. ÿ½ÿ½ÿ½I offer my sympathy. ÿ½ÿ½ÿ½As always ... elaine##imported-begin##Elaine Bussert##imported-end##

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“ Hey gramps!  
  
  
I Finally did it! I finished College!!  
ÿ½Wish you were here!! ÿ½Miss you bunches and everyday I think about you and wish you were here with me!!!  
ÿ½KISSES##imported-begin##Annie##imported-end##

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“ MY SYMPATHIES GO OUT TO THE FAMILY FROM A FRIEND FROM PAPINEAU. MR GERRITY WAS A GOOD FAMILY MAN WHO RAISED SOME GREAT CHILDREN AND HIS MEMORY LIVES ON THROUGH THEM.##imported-begin##Victor Pourroy##imported-end##

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“ To the family of Jerry Gerrity,<br><br><br><br>My deepest sympathies are with your entire family. I was Jerry's Schwans man for almost 2 years up to the end of October of 07. Out of the thousands of customers I serviced, Jerry was truly the most fun, compassionate, and funny guys I ever had the pleasure of meeting. He was a true gentleman. I wish my grandparents treated me with the same love and respect as Jerry treated those kids. They may have drove him nuts at times, but deep down he loved them dearly, and it showed! I am truly heartbroken to hear of his passing, but I know he is with his LORD looking down on us with sunshine. Please know that I care and am thinking of you during your time of loss. May Gods' peace comfort you during this rough time.<br><br><br><br>With deepest regret,<br><br>Brian Neukomm, your old Schwans man.##imported-begin##Brian Neukomm##imported-end##

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“ I am deeply saddened to hear the news about the sudden death of Gerry. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. I know that everyone will greatly miss him. It just seems like yesterday that he kept me on my toes with his driving (being a passenger) as he got older, but most of all I will remember him as someone you could go to for help or advise. He was always there for us when we needed. I pray that during this difficult time, you will draw upon your own strength and the strength of loved ones that hold you in their thoughts. May God Bless you. ##imported-begin##santos garcia##imported-end##

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“ It has been a year since you left us, the hardest year of my life!! I still remember like yesterday, you teaching me to drive, teaching me to count change, picking me up from school everyday. I still remember staying up late at night watching T.V. and talking about the news. I will never forget your "crooked kisses" goodnight or the weekly trips to Blackeyed Pea. No one will ever, EVER have a grandpa as great as you!! It is soo hard without you here to cheer me up when times get tough, or to tell me how great I am doing! This year will be my golden birthday.. You missed my birthday last year... I didn't want to celebrate it without you here with me. Christmas and Thanksgiving just weren't holidays. I miss you so much, Grampa!!!! I know you are watching over me, and the kids, and I hope I am making you proud every day! I wish I could've just been there to hold your hand and tell you that I love you!!! ##imported-begin##Annie##imported-end##

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“ So sorry for your loss. ĩ½We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. ĩ½Terry and Vicki##imported-begin##Terry & Vicki Regnier##imported-end##

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“ You are in my prayers. ĩ½Vivat Jesus.##imported-begin##Bob Green##imported-end##

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“ Our Uncle Jerry was often more like a father to us, and always a friend to us.<br><br><br><br>I always appreciated him for treating me as an equal, and never as a child. ĩ½He was always there for us when we needed him, but he never injected himself into our personal business. ĩ½He was the perfect Uncle - loving, trustworthy, and available. ĩ½He was always ready to listen, and always interested in what you had to say. <br><br><br><br>That was true when I was 8 years old and remained true decades years later.<br><br><br><br>Rob##imported-begin##Robert D. La Gesse##imported-end##

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. I work with Patrick and I know he will miss his father.<br><br><br><br>My family and I wish you well. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.<br><br><br><br>Sincerely,<br><br>Catherine Haynes###imported-begin##Catherine Haynes###imported-end##

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“ Dear Pat, Maureen, Karen, and Kevin,<br><br> I just wanted to extend my deepest sympathy for your loss. ĩ½Your dad always treated me with much kindness over the years. ĩ½He was a true gentleman and a very loving father and husband. He will be greatly missed my many.<br><br> My mother just passed away this July, so I can understand your grief. ĩ½Time heals, but continue to keep the many happy memories alive within your close family ties. ĩ½Take care and God bless. Love, Gloria###imported-begin##Gloria LaGesse###imported-end##

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