

Albert Nealy "Jerk" Webber, Jr.

August 14, 1937 - May 30, 2016

Albert Nealy "Jerk" Webber, Jr. of Jupiter FL and Chebanse IL passed away Monday, May 30, 2016 at his home in Chebanse. Visitation will be at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais IL from 4-8 PM on Friday, June 3. Services will be at the funeral home on Saturday, June 4 at 10:00 AM. He will be laid to rest next to his daughter in the Evergreen Cemetery in Chebanse IL.

Born in Herscher IL on August 14, 1937, he was the only son of Albert Nealy Webber, Sr. and Neda Bernice Doughty-Webber. He married Delores "Dee" R. Vaillancourt on December 20, 1955 in Kankakee IL. At the time of Jerk's death, they had been married for over 60 years. She survives.

Jerk served his country in the Korean war, stationed predominately at Ft. Riley Kansas. Upon discharge from the Army he went to work driving a truck for his father. He then stayed active in the trucking industry until the time of his death, 58 years later. Jerk was a pioneer in the deregulation of the transportation industry, taking a small company named after his father, consisting of eleven trucks hauling stone locally, to a peak of 200 trucks under the name of A.N. Webber, Inc. The company has transported freight throughout all of North America through terminals in four states and employing over 300 people.

In 1991 he took a major risk, purchasing the former A.O. Smith Water Heater building in Kankakee IL. He then created a successful industrial business

park, named South Tec Development Corp. Today, the structure comprises six major manufacturers, public warehousing and several office tenants. It attractively anchors the south side of Kankakee, employing over 350 people.

Jerk loved boating, fishing, nature, yard work, and above all, golfing. He was a 35+ year member of both the Kankakee Country Club and the Elks CC. Additionally, he was a member of the Johnathan's Landing CC in Jupiter FL. One of his fondest memories was playing Augusta National, home of the Masters, with the owner of the Peterbilt Trucks company. A charitable man, over many years in business he contributed generously to just about any organization that knocked on his door.

Also surviving Neal are one son, Alan (Dawn) Webber of Bourbonnais IL; one daughter, Kae Webber of Naperville IL; grandchildren Todd (April) Perzee of Chebanse IL; Sarah (Matt) Schore of Chicago IL; Rebecca Rushing of Bradley IL; Billy Mitchell of Chebanse IL; Shannon (Dan) DePaolo of Bourbonnais IL; Tami (Justin) Bruno of Bourbonnais IL; and Zach (Aly) Webber of Las Vegas NV; great grandchildren Hunter and Ellie Perzee; Rhaya, Ruby, and Gino DePaolo; and Kane and Khya Rushing; one sister Janice (Chuck) Brough of Bethune SC; one brother-in-law Jerry Salzman of Bradley IL, and sisters-in-law Nora Lee Sirois of St. Anne IL and Betty Vaillancourt of LaGrange IN; along with several nieces and nephews.

Preceding his death are his parents; daughter Tami Webber; and sisters and brother-in-law's Sharon (Charles) DeLong, Marlene Salzman, and Sandy (Edward) Henson.

Please make memorials or donations to Hospice of Kankakee County or the Evergreen Cemetery in Chebanse IL.

Finally, Jerk would like to leave this life with the words, "I Did It My Way."

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

Chebanse, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 3. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

JUN 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

PM

“ *Condolences from the Spies family. Uncle Ed & Aunt Audrey always loved Jerk & Dee. Sincere Sympathy, Mr. & Mrs. Jean Morrison (Patricia (Patty) Spies)*

Patricia Morrison - August 13, 2016 at 08:45 PM

HA

“ *My sincere condolences to the entire Webber family. I will miss running in to him at the Kankakee country club. Such a great spirit who was always wearing a smile. Sending much love and light to you all!*

heather arnold - June 07, 2016 at 02:32 PM

PK

“ *My condolences to the entire Webber family. Jerk was my favorite boss ever. He always went above and beyond for his employees and his open door policy speaks of his character. It didn't matter if you were an important customer, an office employee or a truck driver he always had time to talk. When the economy was rough and gas prices skyrocketed he stepped up and gave his employees a gas bonus to help cover the cost of driving to work. Who does that? The boss who truly cares about the people he employs that's who. He was a special man and will be missed. Love to you all.*

Paula Klenzak - June 04, 2016 at 10:42 AM

RB

“ *My condolences to the family, I grew up in Chebanse and knew the family well and was in the same class of his sister Janis. Sincerely Robert Berns Clifton*

Robert Berns - June 04, 2016 at 08:27 AM

JH

“ *What a wonderful tribute with words to describe a man - that was and still is, "one of a kind". Memories of Jerk with live on with 100s of people that he touched. Jane Hove*

Jane Hove - June 04, 2016 at 07:24 AM

PB

“ *Alan,
Condolences to you and your Family. Your Father was a terrific man, I respected him very much. He fought quite the fight over the years. I wish peace!
Pat Blayney*

Pat Blayney - June 03, 2016 at 08:14 PM

AH

“ *My wife and I want to send our thoughts and prayers Dee, Kae, Alan. We are sorry for your loss. I remember all the good times working for the Webber Trking. business. Jerk was always good to us and our family. We will never forget him or any the Webber family*



Arnie & Clara Hewitt - June 03, 2016 at 02:31 PM

DS

“ *Dee, Alan, Dawn, Kae and family, My deepest sympathy to you during this difficult time in the loss of your husband and friend, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. I have so many wonderful and happy memories of Jerk during our "Chebanse" time (seems like a lifetime ago). May God hold you in his loving arms. My love to you, Diane Siaroff*

Diane Siaroff - June 03, 2016 at 08:13 AM

MG

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.*
Joe & Marie Grosso

Marie Grosso - June 02, 2016 at 08:36 PM

LB

“ *Dee and family,*

It's hard to think of Chebanse without Jerk. Even though I moved away from the area almost 50 years ago I always enjoyed running into you and Jerk (usually at Russ and Rosies) when we were back visiting. I'll always remember the bantering back and forth with him and the fun times we had waaaaaay back when we were all younger. From the time my boys were little I would always point out a Webber truck when we saw it on the road and my boys got a kick out of his unusual name. He was truly a wonderful person with a loving, generous and big heart.

God bless you and all your family during this difficult time and always remember the good times and always remember "he did it his way".

Lana Fortino Bajt

Lana Bajt - June 02, 2016 at 07:28 PM

JB

“ *JULIEN AND SHERRY BRZOZNOWSKI lit a candle in memory of Albert Nealy "Jerk" Webber, Jr.*



JULIEN AND SHERRY BRZOZNOWSKI - June 02, 2016 at 03:22 PM



“ Garden Accent - A heart of gold stopped beatin
g... was purchased for the family of Albert Nealy
"Jerk" Webber, Jr..



June 02, 2016 at 02:03 PM



“ Dee, Kae, Alan and family,
I am so sorry to hear of Jerk's passing. It is so hard to say goodbye
to the one's we love. My deepest sympathy to all of you and may
you find comfort in all the wonderful memories you have. I know
Tammy was there to welcome him home. I will be praying for all of
you. Much Love, Danielle Ramien

Danielle Ramien - June 02, 2016 at 01:32 PM



“ i did not know Jerk very well but growing up in town we all knew
him. I remember when he worked out of the old gas station by I-57.
We would ride bikes down there and hang out. Jerk was always
kind to us, gave us a soda, let us get in the cabs and told us all
about his trucks. My sympathies to all of your family. Prayers for you
all during this tough time.
Kevin Winter

Kevin Winter - June 02, 2016 at 06:57 AM

RO

“ My Ole buddy drove by my shop just weeks ago and gave me the "thumbs up". I only wish I had known he wasn't feeling well so I could have went to visit with him. I sure will miss him. My prayers are with him and his family at this sad time.
May Fond Memories Warm Your Hearts.
Your Friend,
Randy O'Connor

randy o'connor - June 01, 2016 at 05:01 PM

JP

“ I still remember the day I met Jerk. He introduced himself and I looked at my husband who shook his head "yes, that's his name". I never quite got why anyone called this man Jerk. He was one of the funniest and kindest men I had ever met.

Our condolences to Dee and the family. Rest in peace as you lived!

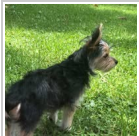
Jodi and George Papineau

Jodi Papineau - June 01, 2016 at 04:29 PM

JB

“ Such a great guy, I had the chance to speak with several times while working at Webber. He will truly be missed by many.

Jim Barnes - June 01, 2016 at 04:22 PM



“ My Deepest Sympathies Alan, Kae, your Mother and family at the passing of your Father.

Mark Baker

Mark Baker - June 01, 2016 at 02:33 PM

DS

“Dee and family, you have our deepest sympathy on the passing of Jerk. He was a very special man. I have nothing but fond memories of the two of you. He always used to ask me if I still drove my green car and I always asked him if he still wore that same brown suit. He loved to kid around. Even though I haven't seen the two of you for many years, it is just sad knowing he wont be around. Love you Dee and family. Yes, Jerk always lived life his way.

Dick and Peggy Streeter

Dick & peggy Streeter - June 01, 2016 at 01:27 PM

TW

“Didn't really know him very well..he was my dad's cousin my name is William wayne Webber!! My name is Teri Webber..my grandpa was Buck Webber sorry 4 ur lose

Teri Webber - June 01, 2016 at 01:22 PM

GG

“Neal was a good man who I enjoyed working for.He will be greatly missed.

My condolences to all of the family.

Gary Michael Godwin - June 01, 2016 at 01:00 PM

JP

“In our thoughts and prayers to all the families
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The Papineau families

John P. Papineau - June 01, 2016 at 11:32 AM

RM

“ My deepest and heartfelt sympathy to the Webber family for your loss. It is difficult to imagine the world without him in it; he and Mrs. Webber are part of some of my best memories of growing up in Chebanse. Their door was always open and their generosity was known to all. I am sure everyone will have stories to share of their own memories with your patriarch, and I hope they bring you many smiles through the tears I am sure are still being shed by so many who cared for him. May the memories keep him close to your heart.

Rose Devine Mitchell - June 01, 2016 at 08:18 AM

KG

“ My deepest sympathy to the Webber family. Alan i have great memories of your mom and dad from my days of working at Russ and Rosie's. May your precious memories help you thru this difficult time. Haven't seen you since high school

kathy Bradley geistwhite - May 31, 2016 at 03:43 PM