



## Allen Menard

June 15, 1960 - November 7, 2006

Allen Menard -- Doylestown, Pa. Allen H. Menard, 46, of Doylestown, Pa., formerly of Kankakee, died Tuesday (Nov. 7, 2006) in Doylestown. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, 1480 W. Court St., Kankakee. A funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, 486 W. Merchant St., Kankakee. Rev. Charles Wheeler will officiate. Burial will be in All Saints Cemetery, Bourbonnais, directly following the funeral Mass. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: The Philadelphia Foundation, c/o Allen and Diane Menard Charitable Fund, 1234 Market St., Suite 1800, Philadelphia, PA 19107-3794, Attn: Keith Doughty, (215) 563-6317. Distribution of the donations will be made by Diane Menard to needy children through the Philadelphia Foundation. A reception will be held from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 17, followed by a memorial service at Calvary Chapel Church, 820 Rt. 113 in Soderton, Pa. Mr. Menard was CEO of Tranzonic Companies, Cleveland, Ohio. He was born June 15, 1960, in Kankakee, the son of Paul and Arletta Jones Menard. He received his MBA from Kellogg Business School-Northwestern University. He was a member of Calvary Chapel Church in Chalfont. He was a motorcycle enthusiast. Surviving are his wife, the former Diane Golding, whom he married Oct. 11, 1985, in Kankakee; four sons, Ryan at college at Penn State University, and Nicholas, Grant, and Reid, all of Doylestown; one daughter, Claire of Doylestown; his mother of Bourbonnais; sisters and brothers-in-law, Polly and Donald Lovasz, Mary and Michael Kohl,

Maria and Michael Dempsey, Ellen and Ronald Wetterling; brothers and sisters-in-law, Jamie and Joanie Menard, Michael and Linda Menard, David and Suzanne Menard, Timothy Menard, William Menard, Patrick and Rosa Menard, Warren and Lori Menard, Mark and Gina Menard, and Adam and Stacey Menard. His father is deceased.

# Tribute Wall



“ He used to show me what my little noodle was for and I love hom for that

Ramond Swaiss - July 22, 2021 at 08:16 PM



“ Dear Diane and Family,<br><br>My thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time. I have many memories of your family at St. Dominic's. I can still see you and Allen walking up to school with the coaster wagon (probably Reid or Grant inside) to pick up the older boys. I also remember when you had Claire. (A little sister for the 4 big brothers). Love,<br><br>Roslyn Bartolotta, <br><br>School Secretary St. Dominic School###imported-begin##Roslyn Bartolotta###imported-end##

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“ I'm am sorry for the Menard family's lost.<br><br>I grew up with Jamie, Michael, David, Polly & Mary. I lived on May Ave. We all played together, along with Andrews kids, etc. <br><br>My condolences to Mrs. Menard and all of the Menard family.<br><br>Pat Cooper-Carroll###imported-begin##Patricia Cooper-Carroll###imported-end##

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“ Allen - my sisters and brothers - Tim, Tammy, Tommy and Tari have shared with me what an amazing man you are. Your life has obviously impressed upon so many people what a truly amazing husband, son, father, brother and friend you have been and will continue to be. "If you are yourself at peace, then there is at least some peace in the world. Then share your peace with everyone, and everyone will be at peace. Thomas Merton. God Rest Your Soul - Tina Martin McDermott. Tina McDermott (Martin)"""

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“ Allan was my dancing partner at the Green Dragon, a local disco in Kankakee, Illinois. Allan and I were friends who would find each other when and where- ever there was a disco beat, i.e., No dogs allowed, poison apple and of course, the green dragon. I think Allen and I went to a McNamara dance together--Allan and I had a special relationship because for some reason we both wore the same pair of dancing shoes. I will always remember him as my dance partner and know that he still has his dancing shoes on that will take him dancing into his next life. I am very sure we will meet again on some dance floor somewhere up in the heavenly blue sky!!!!!!! God bless you and sleep well .....Big kiss, Julie Geekie"""

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“ My deepest sympathies to Allen's family, (wife Diane and children Ryan, Nicholas, Grant, Reid and Claire), his mother Arletta, and his brothers, sisters, neices, nephews,in-laws etc. I was very blessed to know Allen for so many years and will cherish the memories held by myself, and my daughters, for years to come. Thank you Allen for having touched our lives so selflessly. God speed.##imported-begin##Teri Menard & Girls##imported-end##

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“ on behalf of the Westview Class of 1975, we would like to extend our sincere sympathy to the family. It wasn't until today (9/20/2007) that I learned of Allen's passing. The loss of one of these brothers is bad enough - two, I cannot imagine. Tim and family, please know that our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. God's Peace and Love and His blessings be upon you - wgm##imported-begin##Westview Class of 1975##imported-end##

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“ I'm so sorry for loss. It wasn't until this week I learned of Allen's passing. We lost our Mother 05-16-2007 We we at All Saints and two graves over I saw Allen's name. I was in Tim's class. My prayers go out to all of you.##imported-begin##Chris Heiss-Berry##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Nita (Euchner) Stoltz##imported-end##

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“ your family are in our prays.##imported-begin##daniel and valerie guenette##imported-end##

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“ To THE MENARD FAMILY,<br><br>Growing up on station street in the 70's who didn't know Allen? The K/3 swimming pool, Ice arena, Chico's, Earnies barber shop, Key City Dairy Bar.. to name a few of the places I would see Allen, we were almost boyfriend & girlfriend at the age of 11.<br><br>In later years The green dragon, no dogs...we would run into each other from time to time.<br><br>I am so sorry for your loss..a great friendly guy indeed!<br><br>Pam.<br><br>##imported-begin##Pam Tutt Sinclair##imported-end##

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“ Oh Diane, I am filled with thoughts of sadness and love for you and your beautiful family. I just received a call from Karen Straub, ironically as I returned from a day in Champaign at an Illinois Football game. ĩ½What wonderful memories I have of you and Al and baby Ryan. ĩ½When I think of you too, Al with a smile and so much love for you. ĩ½You two were the newlyweds so sweet in love. What fun days those were. ĩ½And you - always so good about staying in touch writing handwritten letters to me, with prayers for Amelia. ĩ½We are storming heaven today, and pray you feel the strength of God's love and our love and support. Karen sends her love and prayers as well.##imported-begin##paula wallrich##imported-end##

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“ Dear Diane & Family, We were shocked to hear of Allan's passing. He was such a bigger than life character. We are blessed to have known him & your wonderful family. I have fond memories of him holding baby Claire in his big arms at the St. Dom's basketball games. He was such a proud father and devoted husband. We know this must be a very difficult time for all of you, but we hope that you will find some comfort in knowing how much Allan was respected and will be missed.<br><br>We will keep you in our prayers....<br><br>Russ, Bonnie & Michael Brannen###imported-begin###Russ, Bonnie & Mike Brannen###imported-end##

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“ To the Menard Family, I am terribly saddened hearing of Allen's passing. My work takes me out of state often, and I did not hear the news until the services were over. We ran together as kids, starting at the Kankakee swimming pool. Our family has 10 kids, 5 boys and 5 girls, so everyone knew someone from one family to the other. Flipping off the high dive, acting goofy. The concerts we saw. The parties at the Vandehey house. And not to mention working with him as dishwashers at the Kankakee Country Club. We were just kids being kids. He really hated the job, but would never tell me that. One day, after a very busy night, he told Chef Artie just what he thought of her and his short lived career in dishwashing, and we both hit the door. She chased us down the driveway, screaming at the top of her lungs, "Daniel, you have a future here, Mr Menard does not". We laughed about that episode for years. And my favorite memory of all is when he borrowed my new BTO album, and to this day I have yet to see it again. Some tall tale he gave me about how he "misplaced it", and he placed the blame on one of his sisters. Allen, I will never forget you and the fun we had growing up. Thanks so much for being HEAD. Godspeed, Buddy...Daniel###imported-begin###Daniel Barry###imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy to the extended Menard family during this time of grief. Although I didn't know Al as an adult I have fond memories of him through the years at St. Martins and Bishop Mac. Every memory includes his smile.  
  
Sue (Hegg) Bobowski

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“ Take refuge in the Lords comforting Arms, feel his Love surround You. His Words Guide You, and Remember that those who care for you, pray that soon your heart will be soothed, and your spirit restored.  
  
Sorry we could not be there to give our condolences  
Don Barber and family.  
Donald Barber

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“ My greatest memory of Allen was watching him ride his motorcycle down the senior hall on the day of his H.S. career. How cool! Allen was a friend to so many people in so many ways. Lord thank You for the gift of Allen. Grant him Your rest and his family Your peace this day. As each of us says our personal farewells, it is with pain and joy mixed together...for while we his friends still live in the shadow of death, yet Allen sees only the Sun!  
  
"Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the LORD will be your rear guard." Isaiah 58:8  
  
"Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you." Isaiah 60:1  
  
Renee Bachman

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“ Menard family, I will never forget Allen running around with his Bears flag whenever they beat the Packers, because you know, during his era here, that wasn't often. ¶½But, when the Packers beat the Bears, he took it real well. ¶½I will also never forget his smile and positive attitude. ¶½He knew all of our names here in the office and would say hi when he was walking by. ¶½I never got to know the family really well, but I know that he loved his family and truly enjoyed spending time with them. ¶½I am sorry for your loss. ¶½Your family is in our prayers.##imported-begin##Tracy Galewski##imported-end##

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There never has and never will be anyone ever like Allen Menard. What an incredible, infectious smile and personality. You could not help but be his friend. He was a driving force in my life and what an awesome friend. So many years, so many memories. It is so hard to believe that he is gone. I can reflect on so many fun times...from  
  
High School days to present. And, of course, all the "firsts" that we  
  
all shared together. He and our  
  
group "The Boys" will forever include  
  
the Big Head in everything we do and continue to do. To us, he will never die. Trust me when I tell you, that years from now, when we are all together, whether it be at a restaurant or bar, there still will be an open seat for Al. You see, in our eyes, he never left and never will. I'm so Thankful that we had a reunion in October of 2005. For one night we relived our youth in Kankakee. They came from as far as California. We had the night planned to the Tee in his honor. I suppose we all somehow knew the end was near. It was quite a feat to get "The Boys" together, but we  
  
did it...in record time. From the special CDs, the Red Hots from  
  
Jaenicke's, the travel path to the monumental stops along the way, WE  
  
did it. WE fulfilled Allen's wish, that for just ONE NIGHT we could  
  
get everyone together, cruise the LANE and listen to the music of bygone days. I told him it would never happen.....I lied. And I'm glad I did, as he was blown away when the Limo arrived with his name on the Vanity Tag in front. What a Great surprise it was. WE were so excited that e-mails were exchanged by the hour from all across the country. We literally counted down the Days, Hours and Minutes until Operation Big Head was executed. Well, the rest is History....Cobrastone History and probably K3 history too. It was so  
  
touching to see everyone again and the tribute they played to Al. I know he is in Heaven right now looking down on all of us. You know, he didn't get the "Short Straw"...he got the "Long One", he always did. God Bless you Big Head, I'll save a spot for you at the  
  
table...we all will, you see, "The Boys" NEVER forget, so No Trickin'.  
  
  
Hugh "Beaumont" Janda  
  
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Hugh Janda##imported-end##

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“ Deepest sympathy to William Menard and family.##imported-begin##Angela Devine##imported-end##

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“ Dear Arletta and Family,<br><br>How sorry we are for you and your family at this time. ĩ½Allen and David roomed together at the Colts football game in Florida in ? 1971. ĩ½What fun they had!. ĩ½The Africano kids and the Menards had so many good times at the pool, skating rink and just playing and being kids. ĩ½We have fond memories. ĩ½Although we did not know Allen as an adult, husband and father, the tributes clearly define the man ĩ½he had become. ĩ½May God continue to bestowe his choicest blessings on all of you.<br><br>Our thoughts and prayers,<br><br>Nick and Shirley##imported-begin##Nick & Shirley Africano##imported-end##

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“ We were so sorry to hear about Allen. ĩ½Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this very difficult time.<br><br><br><br>Allen was always such a kind, nice man! ĩ½Always a smile and something nice to say. ĩ½We missed your whole family when you moved to PA. ĩ½We enjoyed visiting Allen and Ryan when they came back for Ryan's 16th birthday, and it was always a pleasure to have Ryan back for visits.<br><br><br><br>While Allen's time was short, he will be remembered fondly!<br><br><br><br>Sincerely,<br><br>Linda##imported-begin##Brian and Linda Pankow Family##imported-end##

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“ Boy where do I begin-it is so hard to understand the impact that Allen had on everyone's life that knew him. He was so full of life and always had a smile on his face. ¶½His love for his family and life was second to none.<br><br>He always did what he could to make it a better place for everyone. I got to know Allen while living in Kankakee and he became very good friends. ¶½From his first job at Roper out of college to running a 5k, 10k races to getting him to train for the marathon. ¶½We both got married, had children and thru the years we did not keep in touch as much as we should have however during those years I have always thought of him remebering all the laughs we had. I loved Allen and all the things he stood for in the world. Our thoughts and prayers go to his family. ¶½You wonder why God took him thinking he took the wrong one, maybe God needs help, and whom better to ask then Allen. ¶½All our love and prayers to his family. Allen will forever remain in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##John Grebe & Dawn Grebe (MacDonald)##imported-end##

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“ There are no words to express our love and sympathy for all of your family.<br><br>Along with our fellow intercessors we say once again that our lives will never be the same from knowing Allen. He was an extraordinary person and it was a privilege to be his friend as well as neighbor. How we wish that our love for Diane, the children and all of Allen's family were sufficient to console. <br><br>As the services for Allen progress, please know that we are mourning here also and thinking about you so much this weekend. <br><br>Love,<br><br>Ginny and Matt###imported-begin##Ginny and Matt###imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy to the entire Menard Family at this time of sorrow and loss. ĩ½May you all find peace and strength in Our Heavenly Father and always carry with you the greatest of memories of Allen as Husband, Father, Brother and Son; and to all of us, Friend.###imported-begin##Judy Purcell Todnem###imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy to all the Menard family. I knew Allen since 1st grade. I would love to be able to tell his children some stories about their ½father, I know their mother Diane will make sure that his memory stays alive in the day to day life without their father. Your father was a "Golden Boy" in my eyes. Everything and everyone he touched was better for knowing him. He was a beautiful man inside and out and everyone loved him dearly. In grade school he kept a few teachers on their toes, but always with a smile on his face. He was fair and freindly to all and a very good friend to many. He will be greatly missed. Friend for life,  
Sherry##imported-begin##Sherry Parbs-Offermann-Lockwood##imported-end##

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“ i am so sorry to hear of your loss.my thoughts and prayers are with all of you.may god bless you all.##imported-begin##linda schwass##imported-end##

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“ Diane and family, ½  
We are sincerely sorry to hear of Allen's death. ½Our son, Dan, called from college to tell us the news. ½This is a very difficult time for you and may it help to know that others are thinking of you. ½We will keep you in our prayers. ½  
Sincerely, <br><br>Mike, Sharon, Dan and Amy Huebner##imported-begin##Mike and Sharon Huebner##imported-end##

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“ We knew Allen as a young boy in Kankakee, Illinois. He was a dear friend of our middle son, Hugh, and that friendship remained strong and true throughout the years. When Allen became ill, Hugh and all the other boys (men) that grew up together bonded together to pray for Allen to get well. They would not give up. It was a testament to their strong friendship. When the dreaded end came, they all gathered around and bid him farewell. Allen had a precious, loving family and the dearest friends anyone could ever hope to have. They say a person never dies if someone remembers them. Allen will live on in the hearts of so many, no only now, but always.<br><br>God bless the Menard family,<br><br>Pat and Don Janda##imported-begin##Donald & Patricia Janda##imported-end##

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“ Our prayers are with you at this time of loss.##imported-begin##David L Hegg, MD, and Family##imported-end##

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