



Jerry A. Meents

March 29, 1949 - September 12, 2014

Jerry A. Meents, 65, of Kankakee, passed away Friday (Sept. 12, 2014) at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

Visitation will be from 2 p.m. Wednesday until the 4 p.m. memorial services at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, Kankakee. Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Mr. Meents was retired from the Kankakee County Police Department. He was born March 29, 1949, in Kankakee, the son of Merwin L. Sr. and Helen Frantz Meents.

Surviving are his wife, the former Carol Haigh, whom he married June 19, 1986, in Kankakee; three daughters and one son-in-law, Ashley and Kyle Hartman, of Kankakee, Stephanie Meents, of Bourbonnais, and Carrie Meents, of Kankakee; six grandchildren, Shane and Matthew Whitlock, Alyson and D'Mitre Thomas, Callie Huffman, Drake Kent, his seventh grandchild, Persephonie Hartman, is expected to arrive in January; and brother, Merwin Meents Jr., of Bourbonnais.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Jerry was a member of the Headstone Hunters. He was also a ghosthunter

and a soapmaker. He enjoyed making birdhouses and feeding his "livestock."
He loved the Grateful Dead, The University of Tennessee and its football
team, the Vols. He was happy to help his neighbors and friends.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

SEP 17. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

MA

“ Carol, I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. I am certain that your many wonderful memories of Jerry will carry you through this most painful time for you. Look for his star in the sky, it will be shining down on you. Take care my friend. Love, Mary Jane

Mary - September 20, 2014 at 09:48 AM

TM

“ Carol,
I am very sorry about Jerry, as you know he and I had great times working the road, we always got a good laugh when talking about the "cat" accident we came upon in Aroma Park one night when I was a rookie. He taught me so much about the job and how to deal with people. Everyone will miss him but he is now in a better place. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Todd Monney

Todd Monney - September 17, 2014 at 09:52 AM

BB

“ My sincere sympathy to the family of Jerry. I was a school mate of Jerrys at Chebanse grade school and through junior high and high school. Reconnected on Face Book some time ago. He was a great guy. RIP Jerry Meents. Your friend, Barbara Burling Bickhaus.

Barbara Burling Bickhaus - September 17, 2014 at 09:15 AM

DF

“ DeAnna Frantz sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry A. Meents



DeAnna Frantz - September 16, 2014 at 01:47 PM

JA

“ Janet Walters Alexander lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Meents



janet walters alexander - September 16, 2014 at 06:54 AM

JE

“ Heartfelt sympathy to you, Carol, and to the Meents family. I am so very sorry for your loss. Jerry certainly touched many peoples' lives in such a positive way and will always be loved and remembered. Much love to you-



jeanne - September 16, 2014 at 02:29 AM

TE

“ Carol ,
My deepest sympathy on your loss.
It was an honor and pleasure knowing and working with him. He will be missed by all who knew him.
He may be 10-42 here but I know he just went 10-41 in heaven.
God bless you

Tom Erickson - September 15, 2014 at 09:07 PM

KS

“ Kenneth R, Mausehund Sr, lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Meents



Kenneth R, Mausehund Sr, - September 15, 2014 at 08:12 PM

KS

Jerry helped train me as an Aux. police officer. We became good friends. Always made you feel welcome as well did his family.

Kenneth R. Mausehund Sr. - September 15, 2014 at 08:15 PM

DH

“ *I worked with Jerry for a few summers several years ago as I was a part time data clerk for the sheriffs department. Jerry was always very nice to me - a young clueless kid. He had patience with me as I learned and worked with him in scheduling sheriff sales and other civil processing. He was just a genuine person. He was always thoughtful and kind. It was nice to reconnect with him on Facebook a few years ago. I am so very sorry for your loss. I still have the coaster Carol made for us clerical staff at the sheriffs office one Christmas. I have used it at every job I have had. It is on my desk as I type. I remember feeling that It was so nice to be included in his holiday wishes. When I found him on Facebook I told him thank you for being so kind to me. I am glad we were able to reconnect. Again my deepest sympathy with the loss of Jerry. Denise (Guenette) Houser*

Denise Houser - September 15, 2014 at 07:36 PM

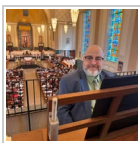
VA

“ Carol I am so very sorry for the loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Deepest Sympathy,

*Valarie A. Arseneau-Tassic
Cape Coral, FL*

Valarie A. Arseneau-Tassic - September 15, 2014 at 06:29 PM



“ Christopher Wilcox lit a candle in memory of Jerry A. Meents



Christopher Wilcox - September 15, 2014 at 05:09 PM

BH

“ Just a few short weeks Jerry told me that he wanted an old C D police patch we had for the Aulx Police. I happened to have one and made the trip in to Kankakee to give it to him. I am so glad that I got to see him, and talk that one last time. He will be missed. Bob Harris

Bob Harris - September 15, 2014 at 04:45 PM

LG

“ My deepest sympathy to Jerry's family. We will miss Jerry very much. Our prayers are with you Carol and the family. May God give you strength and have faith in God.

Linda, Kelly & Jason Gaunce

Linda Gaunce - September 15, 2014 at 03:29 PM

SL

Carol I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the girls call me if I can do anything. Sussan Lamb.

Susan Lamb - September 15, 2014 at 08:18 PM

DS

“ Thank you Jerry for your years of service. Knowing you as a teenager and seeing you grow into the man that you are..Bless your family, That they feel the presents of your life..

Donna Stoner - September 15, 2014 at 01:32 PM

MB

“ Carol & family, So sorry to hear of the passing of Jerry. He will be greatly missed from the neighborhood! He helped me so many times, (starting my lawnmower, getting my car out of the snow) And the fantastic Halloween parties!! Our prayers are with you. The Boswell family

MARY BOSWELL - September 15, 2014 at 10:55 AM