



## Jerome Francis Ernest

February 21, 1959 - December 7, 2017

Jerome Francis Ernest of Centreville, MD, died Thursday December 7, 2017, at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was 58.

Born in Baltimore, MD, on February 21, 1959, he was the son of the late Charles Ellsworth and Helen Elizabeth Krayzel Ernest. Jerry grew up in Glen Burnie, MD. During high school he kept busy on various projects and during the summers he worked painting the Bay Bridge. He then went on to graduate early and joined the Marine Corps. While in the service, he was able to break a shooting record. He served for one term then returned to Maryland where he joined the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners Local 101. He went on to become a carpenter for 35 years where he assisted on many projects such as the Fort McHenry Tunnel and BWI Airport. The majority of these years were spent working with Giant Construction. As Foreman, he built grocery stores throughout Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia.

During these years, Jerry and Karen met through a mutual friend. Karen was captivated by his long eye-lashes and bright blue eyes. They married on September 28, 1991. Shortly after, they moved to Odenton, MD, where they resided for nine years. In October of 1996, Jerry and Karen were blessed with the birth of their daughter, Amelia. In April of 2001, their second child, Troy, came along. Shortly after Troy's birth, the whole family moved to the Eastern Shore. They have lived in Centreville from 2002 to present.

In addition to working and spending time with his family, Jerry had many hobbies. In his early years, he would spend time rock climbing. He also worked hard to earn his Brown Belt in Martial Arts. Throughout his adult life he was an avid runner, running up to 10 miles a day. He also enjoyed working in his garage, whether he was fixing a car or building a rocket engine from scratch. He was very proud to have earned his helicopter pilot license in 2012. Lastly, he thoroughly enjoyed building models from various science fiction television shows he liked, as well as ships, subs, tanks, and aircraft carriers.

Jerome is survived by his wife, Karen Lynn McQuillen of Centreville; children, Amelia Sara Ernest of Centreville, MD and Troy Mitchum Ernest of Centreville, MD; sister, Barbara Helen Kraft of Denton, MD; brothers, Charles Ellsworth Ernest, Jr. of Thailand and Patrick Steven Ernest of Pasadena, MD; and many uncles, aunts, nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be at 7:00pm on Wednesday, December 13, 2017, at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Centreville, where family and friends may visit from 2pm-4pm and again 6pm-7pm.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 13. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Centreville Location  
408 South Liberty Street  
Centreville, MD 21617  
(410) 758-1151  
info@fhfuneralhome.com

## Visitation

DEC 13. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Centreville Location  
408 South Liberty Street  
Centreville, MD 21617  
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## Service

DEC 13. 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jerome Francis Ernest*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - December 12, 2017 at 12:35 PM



“ *Jerome Francis Ernest*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Jerome Francis Ernest*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Jerome Francis Ernest*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Karen, you and your children are in our thoughts and prayers. Cherish your memories and hold them close to your heart. Our sincerest sympathies.*  
*Sharon and Robert (Rushford) Pare*  
*Newport, Vt*

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**Sharon R Pare** - December 13, 2017 at 07:22 PM

DJ

“ I don't know you or your family but I want to thank you for your service and I wish your family comfort and peace at this difficult time. God Bless

- mother of a Marine

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**Dawn Jones** - December 13, 2017 at 02:08 PM

JC

“ Karen, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.



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**Janice Crow** - December 13, 2017 at 08:50 AM

MJ

“ Margaret and Bill Janney purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Jerome Francis Ernest.



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**Margaret and Bill Janney** - December 12, 2017 at 06:42 PM

LP

“ We send our sincere condolences to your family.



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**Lisa Plummer** - December 12, 2017 at 04:58 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jerome Francis Ernest.* ”



December 12, 2017 at 04:04 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jerome Francis Ernest.* ”



December 12, 2017 at 11:10 AM



“ *Joan Berwick lit a candle in memory of Jerome Francis Ernest* ”



joan berwick - December 12, 2017 at 06:31 AM



“ *My deepest sympathies for you Karen and your family. My prayers are with you and the family.* ”



Mary Fulkerson - December 11, 2017 at 08:58 PM



“ *To a cousin I never met...God Speed...*



Kathy McQuillen - December 11, 2017 at 07:52 PM



“ *Dear Aunt Karen, Amelia, and Troy,  
  
we are sorry to hear about Uncle Jerry. We love you.  
  
Maddie and Victoria*

Mary McQuillen - December 11, 2017 at 06:00 PM



“ *Barbara Kraft purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Our Family Chain Is Broken" for the family of Jerome Francis Ernest.*



Barbara Kraft - December 11, 2017 at 09:43 AM



“ *Jerry or Moochie as he was called by family. As his oldest and only sister I saw him as a newborn and I watched him grow and mature to a loving and caring man. I will miss my brother. Jerry I am glad your suffering is over now you can watch over your family in peace.  
  
Love Barb*

Barbara Kraft - December 11, 2017 at 09:29 AM



*So very sorry Karen, he was my age, life is a gift to cherish*

**Lynn Joyal** - December 12, 2017 at 06:48 AM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Jerome Francis Ernest.*



December 10, 2017 at 08:38 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerome Francis Ernest.*



December 09, 2017 at 04:14 PM



“ *We send our love and prayers to Karen, Amelia and Troy in memory of your beloved husband and devoted father, Jerry. You have our deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences. Margaret and Bill Janney*



**Margaret Janney** - December 08, 2017 at 10:30 PM