



## Gerald (Jerry) William Saulsgiver

August 11, 1935 - August 3, 2024

Gerald (Jerry) William Saulsgiver of Asheville, NC passed away at his residence August 3, 2024 just one week shy of his 89th birthday.

Jerry was born and raised in Jamestown, NY. He also lived in California, Michigan and North Carolina, where he resided for the last 43 years.

He is survived by Nancy his loving wife of 66 years, sister Shirley (Al) DeLong, daughters Kimberly (Rich) Luciani and Lori Kumpf, grandchildren Jason (Gretchen) Hine, Jaime (Jen) Breckenridge, Jeff (Liz) Hine, Meghan (Jeff) Meadows, Katie Hine and Brad Wiggins. Jerry was also blessed with 16 great grandchildren.

Jerry served as a member of a medical detachment of the U.S. Army in Korea and was honorably discharged with the rank of SP4.

He spent most of his working life as a valued production supervisor for Steelcase in multiple locations. After decades in a career he loved, Jerry retired from the company's wood division in Asheville.

Jerry enjoyed vacationing on the road with his family. He and Nancy even took his elderly father to Alaska, which was a highlight for all three. After retiring he and Nancy traveled all over the country. They even purchased a motorhome

to give themselves more freedom. He loved nature and taking pictures of plants and flowers. His yard was always beautifully groomed and tended. Even in his later years he found a way to fill his room at Riverbend Health and Rehabilitation with foliage. It seemed like every visit to his favorite store Walmart included a new potted plant.

Throughout his entire life, Jerry's friendly booming voice would bring a room to life as he entered. Whether it be as a manager at work or as bingo caller in a room full of seniors, Jerry took charge. Jerry always loved people and people loved him. He will be greatly missed.

A celebration of Gerald Saulsgiver's life, with Military Honors, will take place on Friday, March 21st, 2025 at the West North Carolina State Veteran's Cemetery at 2:00PM.

# Cemetery Details

## WNC State Veterans Cemetery

962 Old US 70 W  
Black Mountain, NC 28711

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAR 21. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Nancy I just saw this upon looking for you. I'm sorry we lost touch and would like to connect with you again. I'm now living with my daughter in Weaverville and my health has not good but still would love to hear from you. I'm so sorry about Jerry. I had no idea ❤️

Gail Blackledge - April 08, 2025 at 03:17 PM

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Nancy if you want to get in touch with me (or not) you could text me at 8287770898. I'm sorry to use jerrys obituary comments page but found no other way

Gail Blackledge - May 08, 2025 at 07:38 AM



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