



## Allen E. Clyburn

October 20, 1949 - November 24, 2024

Allen E. Clyburn passed away at his home, in Mt. Olivet, Marshall County, West Virginia, while being received by his loving family, on Sunday, November 24, 2024.

Born October 20, 1949, in Rich Creek, Virginia, to the Reverend Billy J. Clyburn and Hazel E. Clyburn (Parker), who would, ultimately, raise him in Moundsville, Marshall County, West Virginia; Allen became a fixture to the Ohio Valley community, being a friend, father-figure, businessman, entrepreneur, and silent benefactor to those who may find themselves in need of a hero in that moment.

On October 5, 1968, Allen married his wife of over 56 years, Mary Ellen (McPeck), which bore him three (3) adoring children: Melissa "Missi," (Jason) Ross; Tracey (Scott) Grow; and Brent (Danielle Watt) Clyburn; which, in turn, bore him many grandchildren who will miss him terribly: Joshua Grow, Maddie (Dylan) Hall, Alex Grow, Kenzie Ross, Jason Ross, Jr., Griffin Kritz, and Brent II - referred to by nickname, "Brock."

In and around 1974, Allen chose to stop-short his career as a mine foreman for Consol Coal Company; and, instead, pursue private enterprise, joining his father's excavation business, while adding additional services in the form of waste management. As the latter wing of the corporation gained traction, many would come to recognize the distinguishing mark on his trucks - the skunk holding its nose.

Determined to keep his business afloat, a work ethic to beat the band, and a

determination to never repeat the poverty he experienced as a child, Allen would find additional employment as an over-the-road truck driver; both, for himself, independently; as well as with the United Parcel Service ("UPS"). Living family members, not mentioned above, Allen has a sister, Bonnie Bell, and his Aunt Gypsy Clyburn and cousin, Ronnie Parker.

Meanwhile, Allen is predeceased by his parents, the Reverend Billy and Hazel; a sister, Brenda Hill; a brother-in-law, Richard (Bonnie Bell); and his grandson, Michael A. Grow.

Allen loved life. And, those who knew him, you loved life while you were in his company. And, this goes well beyond the fact that he never let anyone pick up the check.

Al Clyburn was, likely, one of the most generous human beings that ever walked this Earth. Just ask anyone having the good fortune to know him, especially in times of crisis.

Allen was such a fan and major contributor to Ohio Valley high school sports; particularly, football and basketball. Wheeling Central, Cameron, and Shadyside were just some of his favorite schools to root for.

NASCAR was, also, a favorite, which sent him up and down the east coast to "experience the race," as it were. And, he did.

Warmer climates during the winters became sought-after destinations; but it was his pool and super-charged man-cave/pool-house during the summers. The latter is a sight to behold, for sure.

Unfortunately, for those of us he's left behind, we must now figure out our own fixes, repairs, and updates to life's varied problems. If he didn't have a tool, he had a guy.

It goes without saying, Allen loved his family with his whole heart. And, while he may have had a gruff facade, his love was pure and enduring. We shall all miss that glow.

Family will receive friends on Friday, November 29th from 12-4pm and 6-8pm and on Saturday November 30th from 11am until the time of the Funeral Service at 12noon at Grisell's Funeral Home & Crematory, 400 Jefferson

Avenue, Moundville, WV with Jim Oliver officiating.

Interment will follow at Halcyon Hills Memorial Gardens, Sherrard, WV.

Sympathy expressions at [griselfuneralhomes.com](http://griselfuneralhomes.com).

Memorial contributions may be made to: Shriner's Childrens Hospital, 1645 W.  
8th Street, Erie, PA 16505

# Cemetery Details

## Halcyon Hills Memorial Park

Sherrard, WV 26003

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **29**. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home  
400 Jefferson Ave.  
Moundsville, WV 26041

## Visitation

NOV **29**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home  
400 Jefferson Ave.  
Moundsville, WV 26041

## Visitation

NOV **30**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home  
400 Jefferson Ave.  
Moundsville, WV 26041

## Funeral Service

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NOV **30**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home  
400 Jefferson Ave.  
Moundsville, WV 26041

# Tribute Wall



“ *Grisell Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Allen E. Clyburn*



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**Grisell Funeral Homes** - November 26, 2024 at 06:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Allen E. Clyburn.

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November 28, 2024 at 06:56 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.*



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November 28, 2024 at 06:56 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.*



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November 28, 2024 at 01:56 PM

JP

“ Joe Pereira purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.



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**Joe Pereira** - November 28, 2024 at 10:05 AM

CE

“ Chelle and Emalee purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.



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**Chelle and Emalee** - November 28, 2024 at 09:40 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.



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November 27, 2024 at 09:26 PM

JR

“ John & Kayoko Ross planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Allen E. Clyburn.

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**John & Kayoko Ross** - November 27, 2024 at 06:04 PM

JR

“ John & Kayoko Ross purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.



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**John & Kayoko Ross** - November 27, 2024 at 06:04 PM

LM

“ Lisa DiGorio Miller purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.



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**Lisa DiGorio Miller** - November 27, 2024 at 01:51 PM

CI

“ Mary Ellen, We are so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our prayers. Cindy Pisarczyk and Terry Irvine.



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**Cindy Pisarczyk Irvine** - November 27, 2024 at 10:04 AM

CC

“ Chris and Missy Caldwell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Allen E. Clyburn.

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**Chris and Missy Caldwell** - November 27, 2024 at 09:47 AM

CC

“ *Chris and Missy Caldwell purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.*



Chris and Missy Caldwell - November 27, 2024 at 09:47 AM

DM

“ *Dorothy, Beth and Scott McPeek purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.*



Dorothy, Beth and Scott McPeek - November 27, 2024 at 09:15 AM

BY

“ *Bubby & Wima Ypho lit a candle in memory of Allen E. Clyburn*



Bubby & Wima Ypho - November 27, 2024 at 07:37 AM

NJ

“ *Nancy Johnson lit a candle in memory of Allen E. Clyburn*



Nancy Johnson - November 27, 2024 at 02:25 AM

MZ

“ Melanie and Zach purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.



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**Melanie and Zach** - November 26, 2024 at 08:22 PM

MF

“ Michael DiBetta and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Allen E. Clyburn.

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**Michael DiBetta and family** - November 26, 2024 at 01:53 PM

MF

“ Michael DiBetta and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.



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**Michael DiBetta and family** - November 26, 2024 at 01:53 PM

JS

“ Al serviced his vehicles with us here at Elm Grove Dodge and quickly became a friend. I personally would look forward to his visits for his lively conversations and upbeat attitude. Elm Grove Dodge will miss him dearly as will I. Our hearts and prayers go out to his family.

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**John Starr** - November 26, 2024 at 01:13 PM



“ 240 files added to the album LifeTributes



Grisell Funeral Homes - November 26, 2024 at 12:46 PM

CD

“ We didn't know Mr. Clyburn personally but used his business services. We sure appreciated when he plowed our lane after a snow fall. May he rest in eternal peace.

Charlie & Celeste Diehl - November 26, 2024 at 11:23 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.



November 26, 2024 at 07:30 AM



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November 26, 2024 at 07:30 AM

PW

“ Our hearts break with yours with the passing of our beloved Al. No one had a bigger heart! I cherish decades of memories with your great family. The only comfort is knowing that we will see him again on the other side and continue our friendship forever. Love you all, Patty & Chuck Wylie ❤️

Patricia Wylie - November 25, 2024 at 11:27 PM

JB

“ Mary Ellen – My deepest condolences to you, Missi, Tracey, and Brent. May you take comfort in the many warm and wonderful memories you shared over the years. I will always remember Alan's devotion to each one of you.

Jackie Breyer - November 25, 2024 at 10:38 PM

VA

“ Another class of 1968 gone to soon.RIP ALLEN.



Vickie welling Arp. - November 25, 2024 at 10:03 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Allen E. Clyburn.



November 25, 2024 at 08:54 PM

KD

“ Mrs. Clyburn and family, just wanted to offer my condolences to you on the passing of Mr. Clyburn. Prayers for all who loved him.

Kathy Kloeppner Dixon - November 25, 2024 at 07:42 PM

SK

“ My heart goes out to you Tracy and family I know how much you loved your daddy. ❤️❤️❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏

stacy kobuchi - November 25, 2024 at 07:34 PM

MA

Brent and family you have our deepest sympathy on the passing of your Dad.  
Maureen and Wayne Barte

Maureen - November 25, 2024 at 10:35 PM

JD

Mary and family, you are in our prayers. We can still remember the first day we moved onto this lane 25 years ago, the door opened and someone said Hi, I'm Al. Love to all your family for being wonderful neighbors. Dave and Leeann Doty

Jean L Doty - November 26, 2024 at 09:03 AM

DM

Mary, my heart breaks for you and your family. I am still in shock. I find it difficult to believe that he's not here. I am so thankful for all the times we had together at the beach. Whenever we couldn't find the TV remote which was a lot of times, we would always go and ask Al if he had it and he would come and help us find it. Al was a very kind and loving man. The family beach trips will never be the same without him Al. May God grant you and your family peace and comfort. Sending prayers and love

Delores Murdock - November 26, 2024 at 12:26 PM

NB

*Hi so very sorry about Allen we graduated together. I spoke to him a few times on fb. He was crazy funny in school blessing to all of his family for their loss. I'm in shock about him being gone. What a great loss. So very sorry*

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**neva bennett** - November 26, 2024 at 11:25 PM