



John Earl Allen

November 24, 1946 - September 26, 2025

John Earl Allen, 78, of Ringgold, Georgia, passed away on Friday, September 26, 2025. A lifelong resident of Ringgold, John Earl retired from DuPont after twenty years of service, and later from Intech after another twenty. He also spent many years involved in the local dump truck industry. Well known throughout the community, he was a familiar face at Bailey's BBQ, where he never missed a breakfast, and in the evenings, friends could often find him at Bud's Sports Bar in Chattanooga, Tennessee. From the 1960s through the 1980s, John Earl pursued his passion for dirt track racing at Boyd's Speedway. He also had a deep love for his dogs and cats, especially his beloved dog, Harley. Above all, John Earl cherished time with his children and grandchildren, who brought him his greatest joy. He made sure to teach his family the definition of unconditional love and he will be missed beyond measure.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Randolph Rose Allen and Mary Lillian Cleghorn Allen, along with many members of the Cleghorn family. John Earl is survived by his children: Brad Allen, and his children Presley and Landon, and grandchildren Sereniti, Raylen, and Hudson; John Paul Allen, and his children Olivia, Preston, and Lillian; and Ashlee Allen Turner, and her children Morgan Savannah and Peyton. He is also survived by special friends who lovingly cared for him in his later years: Amy Alexander, Judy Lockhart, Krystal Lemley, and Phyllis.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, October 4, 2025, from 11:00 a.m.

until 3:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Funeral services will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 4, 2025, in the Wallis – Stewart Chapel of Wilson Funeral Homes. Online guest book at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by Wilson Funeral Homes Wallis – Stewart Chapel, Ringgold, Georgia.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 4. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Wilson Funeral Homes Wallis-Stewart Chapel
443 Boynton Drive
Ringgold, GA 30736

Funeral Service

OCT 4. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AC

“ *Amy Casteel lit a candle in memory of John Earl Allen*



Amy Casteel - October 04, 2025 at 08:14 PM

BF

“ *I worked with John at Intech and honor his memory. We will be praying for him and all his family.*

Ben Fisher - October 02, 2025 at 04:32 AM

JN

“ *So sorry to hear this. Traveled with John over the years and he was always nice. Lot's of memories.*

John Newberry - September 30, 2025 at 08:25 PM

 Marie Fitzgerald

“ *So sorry for your loss, have know John Earl since the early 70's, have only been able to be in touch tru Facebook since my move to Indiana. I have enjoyed the many pictures of him with kids and grandkids and can only imagine how great your loss is!! My prayers are with you!!! May John rest in Peace*

Marie Fitzgerald - September 30, 2025 at 09:33 AM

GR

“ John meant so much to me and my granddaughters he was always smiling and always hugged us when he saw us we are going to miss him and our hearts are broken we loved him so much ❤️

Gayle Royer - September 29, 2025 at 10:51 AM

TG

“ I worked many jobs with John on field jobs. He was a good source of entertainment ; wit many stories to tell.

Terry Gann - September 29, 2025 at 10:30 AM



“ John worked for me when Intech did jobs for me. When my daughter went to work for Intech and John was on the job he made sure nobody messed with her. Thank you John for your friendship through the years. Holly and John remained lifelong friends even though she changed careers. My condolences to the many family members.

Joe Snyder

Joe Snyder - September 28, 2025 at 07:25 PM

PN

My brother Perry Patty and I rode to school every day with John Earl. We were neighbors and our mothers were very close friends. His dad Randolph was a very nice person and his mother Mary Lillian was a very easy person to talk with. John Earl was a special person his smile made you feel special and of course his good looks melted your heart. You knew he was sincerely glad to see you. I was his son Brads first babysitter. I can't imagine Ringgold without John Earl and his big smile and talking with him 'catching up'. I will miss you John Earl.

Patricia Patty Neal - September 29, 2025 at 08:38 AM

PM

So sorry for your loss going to miss him coming in Bailey he was a sweet guy! Thoughts and prayers are with you.

Patsy Martin - September 30, 2025 at 08:27 AM

AC

Ashlee and family, I am so very sorry for your loss. May God comfort you during this time. My deepest condolences.

Amy Casteel - September 30, 2025 at 07:10 PM



It's been an honor having you as a kinsman all these years. Will never forget you and will treasure our association. See you soon my friend.

Nick Cleghorn - October 19, 2025 at 11:16 AM