



Dr. Walter "Boe" G. Allen

October 6, 1927 - February 5, 2017

Walter G. Allen, DVM, well known as Boe or Doc, died on February 5, 2017 at his home in Louisiana, MO. Dr. Allen practiced veterinary medicine in Pike County, MO and Pike County, IL for 39 years.

He was the son of Dr. and Mrs. Hollis Allen of Webster Groves and had 2 brothers, Dr. James H. Allen who was head of the Pike County Memorial Hospital Laboratory Department for a number of years, and Dr. Louis A. Allen of Kansas City. His father, the founder of Allen Medical Laboratories in St. Louis, and both brothers were pathologists.

"Boe" Allen graduated from Webster Groves High School in 1945. He enlisted in the US Navy after graduation and was stationed in Texas. In 1950 he graduated from the University of Missouri with a Bachelor of Science Degree in agriculture, accepting a job with the Independent Meat Packing Co. in St. Louis.

On July 29, 1951 he was married to Betty Jane Conrad, a graduate of Louisiana High School in 1946 and Missouri University School of Journalism in 1950.

Dr. Allen was accepted by the College of Veterinary Medicine at Missouri University in 1953 and graduated with a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Degree in 1957. He joined Dr. J. D. Williamson in Clarksville, and the Williamson and Allen Veterinary Clinic was established. When Dr. Williamson retired, Dr. Allen continued working until 1996, having served the Twin Pike area for 39 years. Boe and his 2 brothers were inducted into the Third Annual Webster Groves

High School Sports Hall of Fame, the first family of athletes to be so honored. Boe held 7 athletic letters in football and wrestling and was the undefeated state wrestling champion in 1945 as well as being wrestling captain that year. He was on the Missouri University Livestock Judging Team both his junior and senior years. His love of horses is well known and he owned many.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, John H. Allen of Columbia, MO, and special friend Janet Guthrie, and Stephen W. Allen and wife Carolyn of rural Louisiana, brother in-law, Bob Conrad and wife Annette of Eolia, MO, sister in-law, Martha Allen, cherished Nieces and Nephews, and many great friends.

A Memorial service will be held at 12:00 P.M. on Saturday, February 11, 2017 at the Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana, MO. Visitation will be held from 10:00 A.M. until time of service at the funeral home. As per his wishes, he chose to be cremated. Private interment will be in the Greenwood Cemetery at a later date.

Memorials may be given to the Friends of the Louisiana Library, Pike Pioneers Nutrition Center, or the Louisiana Alumni & Friends Association in care of Collier Funeral Homes, Inc., 117 Barnard Drive, Louisiana, MO 63353.

Cemetery Details

Greenwood Cemetery

Pike 235
Clarksville, MO

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

FEB 11. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Collier Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Walter "Boe" G. Allen*

November 08, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *Dr. Walter "Boe" G. Allen*

November 08, 2022 at 08:46 AM



“ *Great man and a truly wonderful family. Our prayers are with you all.*

mark rubemeyer - February 13, 2017 at 01:25 PM



“ *Bob and Betsy Swift purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dr. Walter "Boe" G. Allen.*



Bob and Betsy Swift - February 09, 2017 at 06:59 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Walter "Boe" G. Allen.*



February 08, 2017 at 10:58 AM

JA

“ Jerry (from Henry Allen Family) and Diana Allen purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Dr. Walter "Boe" G. Allen.



Jerry (from Henry Allen Family) and Diana Allen - February 08, 2017 at 10:05 AM

AW

“ Whenever John and I would be gone for a vacation, our cat, Kitzel, would be boarded at vet clinic. Kitzel would meow and carry on the entire time he was there until he quite literally got hoarse. Dr. Allen and the others at the clinic would give him extra attention, pet him every time they walked by his cage, etc. and nothing worked. The cat still complained. One time when we went to pick Kitzel up Boe announced "I know what's wrong with Kitzel; I just haven't figured out how to fix it. He needs an attitude adjustment." From that time on it was a standing joke about our pat cat.

Ann Woods, Flint, TX

Ann Woods - February 08, 2017 at 09:29 AM

NR

“ Betty and Family, so sorry for your loss. My Dad would talk a lot about Boe and all their stories. Heaven received another angel and our pets in heaven couldn't ask for a better caretaker. Hold onto your happy memories to help you through in the coming days.

Nancy Reid

Nancy Reid - February 06, 2017 at 10:39 PM

“ Such a loss, sadness surrounds my soul as I remember "The Man, The Myth, The Legend". Dr Allen was such a Gentleman, yet always the prankster whom I came to know as "The Phantom".

My mother Betty Burns worked for over 20 years with Dr. Williamson and Dr. Allen at the Veterinary Clinic in Clarksville. The three of them were quite the perfect team, they worked hard and they had fun while they worked. If one wasn't joking, the other was. It was always a great environment to stop in and visit. There are so many priceless stories I don't begin to mention but fond memories will stay with me the rest of my days.

My heart goes out to Mrs. Allen, John "Hollis" Allen, and Steven Allen. (sorry John). It is sad to know that I will never be called "Birdlegs Jr" ever again.

Dr. Allen was larger than life, had a killer smile with beautiful teeth, he made jeans and a white tee shirt a fashion statement that not many men could measure up to. He carried himself with pride and integrity. He gained the respect of everyone he met and influenced many people's lives in such a positive way. He was also a fierce competitor. Just dare Mike Bankhead to try and grow a bigger pumpkin.....

He was the only other person I know that had as many threats of speeding tickets as I did.

He also was a very kind man beneath that rugged surface. He will be greatly missed. God bless Dr Allen and his family.

Beverly Burns Carter

Beverly Burns Carter - February 06, 2017 at 10:26 PM

AB

“ Dr. Allen was a valued member of our Community. He made a big impression on my as a child on the farm. He and Doc Williamson were two of the nicest men. Condolences to his family. He was very much appreciated and loved.

Alexandra Lexie Biggs

Alexandra Biggs - February 06, 2017 at 09:14 PM

DR

“ Debby Roettgen purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Dr. Walter "Boe" G. Allen.



Debby Roettgen - February 06, 2017 at 01:08 PM

DC

“ I am sorry to hear of the death of Dr. Allen, certainly a well-known and respected person of our community.

*My sympathy to Betty and members of the family and many friends.
D. Randall Cone, Louisiana, MO*

D.Randall Cone - February 06, 2017 at 12:55 PM

RE

We are so sorry to hear this sad news. Our thoughts are with you, Betty and your family.

Rita Elder - February 06, 2017 at 03:25 PM

DC

I am so sorry to hear of Dr. Allen's passing. My condolences to Betty and their sons and the rest of the family. God Bless.

Dianne Collins - February 06, 2017 at 05:37 PM

DB

I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you Betty and your family. God bless, Diana Bowler

Diana Bowler - February 06, 2017 at 06:20 PM

KK

I was both shocked and saddened to hear the news about my "Uncle Boe" Allen. He always seemed so healthy and so strong, besides being such an all-around "good guy". He leaves behind a wonderful wife and two fine sons, who I'm sure will carry on that legacy. My heart goes out to you all at this time. .

I am so pleased to have known him for all these years, and proud to call him Uncle. He will be missed. May he rest in peace.

Kent Krimmel

Kent Krimmel - February 11, 2017 at 09:11 AM