



## Gerald L. Maxey

November 30, 1943 - September 18, 2018

RICHMOND, Ind. – 1st Lieutenant Gerald Leslie Maxey (Ret.), age 74, of Richmond, Indiana, passed to his next “tour of duty” Tuesday, September 18, 2018, at Friends Fellowship Community.

Jerry was born November 30, 1943, in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, (Springtime in Australia!) to Harold John and Reena Stanley Joyce Solman Maxey. At the young age of two, he, along with his mother and younger brother, sailed to America to join his father’s American family in La Moille, Illinois. Jerry later attended Moody Bible College in Chicago, Illinois, and graduated with a B.S. degree from Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois. In 1967, he joined the U.S. Marines as an officer and later received a Purple Heart, after his life-threatening injuries in Vietnam. Jerry was an officer and a gentleman.

His versatile career included: serving as a hospital administrator (Jerry earned an MHA from IUPUI) and owning and operating a printing and design business in Zionsville, Indiana, and a commercial insulation business, from where he retired.

Jerry loved being outdoors and enjoyed all things nature, especially birds. He once built a log cabin by himself in Park County, Indiana. Jerry was a life-long St. Louis Cardinals baseball fan. He lived carefully and gracefully.

The love of his life was his daughter, Elizabeth Anne Henley, who he cherished every day of her life. Jerry was an adoring and faithful dad, and he had just begun to really enjoy and care for his grandchildren: Reese Elizabeth, James Asher, Lyla Quinn Bradway, and Piper Lillian. Jerry and his son-in-law, James Aron Henley, shared a special bond, especially in recent months when he could only remember James’s name.

Jerry, the oldest of four children, is survived by his two brothers, Darrell Maxey and Raymond (Sarah) Maxey; sister, JoAnn (Robert) Green; nieces; and nephews. He will be missed by many life-long friends, especially Elizabeth’s mother, Anne (Mark) Liebert. A childhood friend, Diane Serkowich, always kept Jerry in her heart.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Elizabeth and Anne are so very appreciative of Friends Fellowship Community and the Courtyard's staff for their loving, respectful, and untiring 24/7 care of Jerry this past year. He was sometimes clearly unappreciative of his cruel, debilitating disease, but they were always kind, unconditional in their love, and somehow made everything bearable.

A joyful visitation for Gerald Leslie Maxey will be from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 22, 2018, at Doan & Mills Funeral Home, 790 National Road West, Richmond. Graveside service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, September 22, 2018, at Elkhorn Cemetery, 5362 Esteb Road, Richmond with Chaplain Sandra Ward-Angell officiating and military honors provided by the Wayne County Honor Guard.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Seton Home & School, 240 South 6th Street, Richmond, IN 47374.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the guest book at [www.doanmillsfuneralhome.com](http://www.doanmillsfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery

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## Elkhorn Cemetery

5362 Esteb Road  
Richmond, IN,

# Events

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**SEP 22** **Visitation** 12:00PM - 02:00PM

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Doan & Mills Funeral Home  
790 National Road West, Richmond, IN, US

**SEP 22** **Graveside Service** 02:30PM - 03:30PM

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Elkhorn Cemetery  
5362 Esteb Road, Richmond, IN, US

# Comments

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“ Elizabeth, I'm sure you don't remember us as we met you when you were a new born and again when you were only 2 or 3. Your dad and I worked together in the administrative team at Winona Memorial Hospital. He served as a groomsman at our wedding. We tried to find him several times when we moved to Florida but was never successful. I am so sorry to know that your dad has passed. He was a good friend and i honor that friendship tremendously.

Mike Floyd - May 29 at 11:11 PM

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“ I'm saddened to learn Gerry has left the formation.

In 1968, he and I became close friends as we navigated our way through Marine officer training at Quantico, Virginia and Ft. Sill, Oklahoma. As reluctant warriors, we shared many soft and tempered conversations as we struggled to find reason in an absurd war.

Our fragile world might be lessened with his passage but still treasure our gentle and insightful moments and hope I can somehow convey those on to my family and friends.

Semper Fi, Gerry!

Bo McCarver  
Austin, Texas



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Bo - October 28, 2018 at 11:05 AM



“ My dad was an extremely special person in my life. One of my biggest cheerleaders. A great grandpa as well. Words cannot explain how much he will be missed.

**Elizabeth Henley** - September 21, 2018 at 07:04 PM

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“ Our condolences to your family Elizabeth, James, and Anne. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Much love from our family to yours.  
The Celeste Family, Pete, Rene, Serenity, Journey, Sophia

**Rene Celeste** - September 21, 2018 at 01:12 PM

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“ Gerry was proud of his service as a Marine and of his beautiful, capable daughter, Elizabeth. We will miss him.

Fred and Nancy Fowler

**nancy fowler** - September 20, 2018 at 12:56 PM

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“ Anne and Elizabeth,  
  
Our thoughts and prayers to you and your families for your loss. Semper Fi.

**Susan Busick** - September 20, 2018 at 09:12 AM

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“ The Trees  
Our children  
Big Sky  
Grenada  
Daddy - daughter trips  
Craft beer and good food  
Florida fishing trips  
The Boundary Waters  
Watching sports events  
Friendship  
His family  
Simper Fi my friend

**Geoffrey Brown** - September 19, 2018 at 07:55 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

**Bob Clark and the Staff of Doan & Mills** - September 19, 2018 at 01:51 PM