



Mr. Gerald F. Kluck

February 26, 1930 - September 25, 2012

Kluck, Mr. Gerald (Jerry), of Thomas Twp., Michigan. Jerry, who spent his life caring for God's creation on earth, was welcomed into the arms of his loving Savior in Heaven on Tuesday, September 25, 2012. Age 82 years. He was known for his warm smile, devotion to his Savior and family, and compassion for all people. Because of this, Jerry's life was filled with service to his church, profession and community. Jerry was born on February 26, 1930, in Saginaw to the late Walter and Frieda (Zorn) Kluck. On August 23, 1952, he married Sally Sorgatz, his beloved wife of sixty years. She survives him. Jerry's work began at his parent's farm, Kluck Nursery. Along with his brother, Edward, and son Tom, they owned and operated the business. Jerry retired in 1999. He was a life-long and faithful member of Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Surviving besides his wife, Sally, are their three children and their spouses, Judy (Tom) Resler, Linda (Alan) Nuechterlein, all of Frankenmuth; Thomas (Karen) Kluck, Thomas Twp., seven grandchildren, Brooke (Justin) Finkbeiner, Jamie Resler, Micah, Eric (fiancée Sarah Suminski), Jake Nuechterlein, Tyler and Karina Kluck; three great-grandchildren, Trace, Brady, and Eli Finkbeiner, with another one expected in March; brothers and sister, Edward Kluck, Saginaw; Eleanore Schaper, Royal Oak, MI, and twin brother, Harold Kluck, Saginaw; sister-in-law, Nancy Wintermeyer, brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Jim and Marian Sorgatz; also many special nieces, nephews, loving friends and employees. Jerry was predeceased by father-in-law and mother-in-law, Frank and Ruth Sorgatz, sister-in-law, Ruth Kluck, brothers-in-law, Jack Schaper

and Howard Wintermeyer.

The Celebration of Jerry's Life will be held at 3:00 p.m., Sunday, September 30, 2012, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 600 Court St., Saginaw. The Rev. James F. Krueger will officiate with burial in Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery. Friends are welcome to visit with the family at Holy Cross Lutheran Church on Friday from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., then on Sunday from 2:00 p.m. until the time of service. Memorial contributions may be given to Jerry's beloved Holy Cross Lutheran Church. Memories and sympathies of Jerry may be shared with the family on his memorial website at WakemanFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery

4700 Brockway Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48638

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **28**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
600 Court St.
Saginaw, MI 48602

Visitation

SEP **29**. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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600 Court St.
Saginaw, MI 48602

Visitation

SEP **29**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

SEP 30. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
600 Court St.
Saginaw, MI 48602

Service

SEP 30. 3:00 PM (ET)

Holy Cross Lutheran Church
600 Court St.
Saginaw, MI 48602

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Gerald F. Kluck*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *Mr. Gerald F. Kluck*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *I was saddened to hear of Jerry's passing. I worked with Jerry in the nursery industry for 25 years and I greatly respected him for his friendliness, honesty and positive outlook. Stan Tuckwell, retired Michigan Department of Agriculture.*

Stan Tuckwell - October 09, 2012 at 09:48 AM



“ *It is with the saddest heart that we hear of Jerry's passing. Our deepest sympathy goes to Sally and her family. Jerry is certainly with our Lord and Savior, as he was always an example of Christian living. God bless the Kluck family at this time of Jerry's delivery into God's arms.
Love, Frank and Cathy Genovese*

Catherine Genovese - October 08, 2012 at 11:06 AM

KS

“ I remember Mr. Kluck when I was in class with Linda. Without his support of the school and church, I believe it would of impacted us as children there. Because of this education, it gave me the foundation to find my way to become a Federal Law Enforcement Officer. May God's peace surround the family at this time. Thanks Mr. Kluck for all your support to Holy Cross over the years. It made a big differnce in many lives. Kevin Sedlak, Retired Department of Justice Law Enforcement Officer

Kevin Sedlak - October 04, 2012 at 07:12 PM

DM

“ Sally and family,
Linda and I share in your loss of an outstanding, devoted and Christ loving husband, father and friend. Jerry was a highlight of our 24 years in Saginaw. We pray that you find peace and joy that Jerry is now with the Lord.. Thank God for the years He gave us with Jerry. So many blessed memories of the Kluck family.
Dennis and Linda Meyers

Dennis & Linda Meyers - October 03, 2012 at 03:17 PM

FS

“ Frank Schmidt purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Mr. Gerald F. Kluck.



Frank Schmidt - September 28, 2012 at 09:15 PM

CS

“ Carol Spaeth purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Gerald F. Kluck.



Carol Spaeth - September 28, 2012 at 03:01 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerald F. Kluck.



September 28, 2012 at 11:13 AM

DL

“ Don Llst purchased the Vivid Recollections for the family of Mr. Gerald F. Kluck.



Don Llst - September 28, 2012 at 10:16 AM



“ Cherished Memories was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerald F. Kluck.



September 28, 2012 at 08:44 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerald F. Kluck.*



September 27, 2012 at 07:35 PM



“ *There is much to be said about Jerry and it is said well by so many. However, if there is one "snap shot" that tells a lot about Jerry it is this. The morning after Jerry went to heaven, his granddaughter Karina was distributing food to the needy at St. John's Lutheran Church. When asked, Karina explained she did it because that is what her grandfather would have wanted. Passing the faith and a commitment to Christian service on to his family - that was Jerry. He will be missed but his life will be felt for years to come.*

John Brandt - September 27, 2012 at 03:55 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerald F. Kluck.*



September 27, 2012 at 01:55 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerald F. Kluck.*



September 27, 2012 at 01:26 PM

SC

“ To the entire Kluck Family,
Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with all of you that is most difficult time. We will miss our annual visits with Jerry every time we come to the farm to pick out our Christmas tree. He always knew where the biggest tree was. With every Christmas Tree we decorate we will pause and think of Jerry and know that he watches over all who were dear to him. Your memories now become treasures hold them dear to your heart where he will live on forever.

With our deepest sympathy
RC & Shelly Crannell

Shelly Crannell - September 27, 2012 at 11:33 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerald F. Kluck.



September 27, 2012 at 09:22 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Gerald F. Kluck.



September 27, 2012 at 09:10 AM

BB

“ Jerry was a real a prince. We felt a special kinship with him. He always greeted us warmly and showed genuine interest in us. Jerry had the spiritual gift of mercy, evident in his ability to read others' hearts and to respond with genuine, Christlike compassion. He was a blessing to many through his work with Stephen Ministry. We will certainly miss him, but rejoice with the family that he is in his eternal home.

Bob & Martha Britton

Bob & Martha Britton - September 27, 2012 at 07:09 AM

RH

“ Dear Sally and the family,
Judy and I were saddened to hear of Jerry’s passing, but we rejoice in His eternal victory in Christ Jesus. Now I’m even more grateful for the opportunity to visit with Jerry at the house during my last visit to Michigan. Even in his battle with cancer, he was the same man I always knew with a ready smile on his face, a compassion and concern for others, a deep faith in the Savior, and an unconditional love for his spouse, family, friends, and fellow church members. What an example of God’s grace for all of us! Parishioners like Jerry make it such a joy and privilege to serve as a pastor, and I will always treasure my few but precious early years in ministry at Holy Cross, although the “Kluck connection” with the Hubers certainly goes back long before that with their friendship with my folks and with me growing up with a Kluck Christmas tree in our house every year and one of Mrs. Kluck’s popcorn balls. (Ed, you had a great brother in Jerry, and you will be in our prayers, as well, with the rest of the family.) May the memorial service on Sunday be a true celebration of life—the gift of everlasting life Jerry knew from the day of his baptism, and the life of yet another faithful servant of God who trusted in Christ alone as his only way to heaven. Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed! Hallelujah!

Pastor Tim Huber
Modesto, California

Rev. Timothy L. Huber - September 27, 2012 at 01:39 AM

SR

“ Mr. Kluck lived his life as a true testament to our Lord Jesus Christ and is now enjoying the promise of eternal life with Him. I feel blessed to have known him and his family for most of my life and my prayers are with his family.

Sheila Berkobien Rector - September 26, 2012 at 11:34 PM

NP

“ *Sally and family - our love and thoughts are with you. I will always remember the fun times growing up and the picnics with the club at the Kluck farm. God be with you all during this difficult time. Nancy and Gene and family*

Nancy Peters - September 26, 2012 at 06:59 PM

RL

“ *Jerry is a mighty man of God! What an honor it is for me to have been his pastor. Continually thinking and doing for his Lord and his neighbor, Jerry led the way in service at his beloved HCLC and in his community and most assuredly in his business and family. Love is the key of Jerry's life. Love for a dear wife, children, grandchildren and friends that overflowed into action. Jerry is a saint to be emulated! He was always concerned for the spiritual welfare of others. He personally encouraged and then introduced me to one of his former employees who was struggling with Lou Gehrig's Disease. By the grace and mercy of God, through the gentle and persistent efforts of Gerry and his family, that man came to faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, I became his pastor, and HCLC became his church. Now he celebrates in heaven with Jerry. Please know that the Kluck family is in Betty and my prayers in this terrible time of grief and that the folks of Christ the King will add their prayers to ours.*

Rev. Timothy J. Loewe - September 26, 2012 at 04:24 PM

SC

Deepest sympathy to the extended Kluck family. Your contributions to the greater Saginaw community have helped to beautify the magnificent creation of our God. May God keep your spirits uplifted as you celebrate a life that mirrored God's greatest plan -- loving others.

Shari Haithco Clarke

Shari Haithco Clarke - September 26, 2012 at 06:40 PM

SN

Jerry was one of the most caring people I have every known as you said so well here Pastor. You could see it so clearly in his smile and eyes, and you knew when you talked to him he really listened and cared. We will miss him dearly.

Steve Neumann - September 26, 2012 at 10:19 PM