



Gerald Evans

October 10, 1938 - December 2, 2023

Gerald Evans was born October 10, 1938 in Philadelphia Pennsylvania to the late Alexander Evans and Martha Nixon. He was one of eight children, which they all preceded him in death: Marian, Glen, Alfred, Marvin, Frederick, Jacqueline, and Maurice.

"Ski" as he was fondly known, graduated from the Philadelphia Public school system. He then went into the U.S. Air Force and received an Honorable discharge

Ski later resided in many areas of the city. Throughout Ski's life, he's grown a passion for art of karate and has won a multitude of competitions and received many

trophies and certificates. He loved karate so much that he became an instructor and has inspired and touched many lives along the way. His karate family loved him so much that he became a part of their family. He taught karate until his sickness. Ski will be missed by those who truly loved him. May he rest well.

Gerald leaves to cherish his memory: Deborah, Earl, who preceded him in death (Desi, Vanessa, John, Jacqueline, James, Tracy, Alexandria (David), Marvin (Cynthia), Frederick, Jennifer, Donnell (Emily), Tracey, one sister in-law Caroline, a host of great-nieces and nephews, karate family and close friends

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

DEC 8. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Givnish Funeral Home Cinnaminson
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Sharing by Family and Friends

DEC 8. 3:00 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AC

“ I am so saddened to read of the passing of this amazing man. Tremendous karate instructor. He could quickly size up any student and give him tailored exercises. "Same thing, only different." We were so blessed to have trained with him.

Andy Cunningham - August 22, 2024 at 05:50 PM

GU

“ Gerald (Ski) was my best friend and sensei. Life had gotten in the way and we had fallen out of touch, but I thought of him often. He taught me so much about Martial arts and his way at looking at life. I thought of him as not only a friend and sensei, but as a second father. We hung out Friday nights playing chess, talking and joking while he sipped on Johnnie Walker Red. He is missed.



Guy - March 01, 2024 at 12:59 PM

SD

“ Gerald was always Ski to me and many in the world of Skotokan Karate. He was my Sensei since 1988. Outside Karate Ski was my best friend and helped me with many things including my properties and my work. Always ready a moments notice I could always depend on Gerald. My favorite memory is of him feeding the ducks and fish in the lake behind my home.



Stephen DeLacy - February 29, 2024 at 11:27 AM

MF

“ I had fallen out of touch with Ski. He was my great friend and touched so many people in a good way. I wasn't surprised to find his obituary but was saddened there were no comments, that Gerald who was loved by so many may have been alone at the end. Hopefully I just didn't know about a memorial. Anyone who could share with me something of his last years please call me 215 350 7567. Michael Fox

Michael Fox - February 01, 2024 at 04:19 PM

WI

“ Ski was my neighbor for a few years. We moved, but still have one of his benches outside our house. Always enjoyed speaking with him about karate and woodworking.

He showed me this clip of him: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mKdHxgaRoHk> Pretty amazing.

Will miss him!



Will - December 09, 2023 at 04:41 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gerald Evans.



December 07, 2023 at 06:25 PM