



Gerald "Jerry" Steven Goldsmith

October 3, 1941 - March 1, 2015

Gerald "Jerry" Goldsmith, 73

Lakeland – Gerald "Jerry" Steven Goldsmith, 73, passed away at home with his wife by his side, on Sunday, March 1, 2015.

Gerald was born October 3, 1941 in Montclair, New Jersey. He was the son of Irving and Belle Goldsmith. At a young age, his family moved to Lakeland. He graduated from Lakeland High School in 1959. After high school, he was in the United States Navy.

Gerald's entire career was spent in the jewelry industry. He managed jewelry stores in Nebraska and South Florida. He was a national sales representative for a diamond company out of New York.

In 1978, Gerald married the love of his life, Shirley. Together they founded G & S Fine Jewelers located on Cleveland Heights Blvd. and remained in that location until his retirement in 2013.

Gerald and Shirley enjoyed all of their times together at work, home, and their travels to many Corvette Car shows. He was a lifetime member of the National Corvette Museum.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Irving and Belle Goldsmith and brother, Lloyd Goldsmith.

Gerald is survived by his wife, Shirley (Snapp), sister-in-law, Patricia Snapp Wagner. Also survived by his "furry friends, his kitten children."

The family will receive visitors from 6 pm to 8 pm on Tuesday evening, March 3, at Gentry Morrison Southside, 1727 Bartow Rd., Lakeland. A Celebration of

Life will be held on Wednesday, March 4, at 11 am at the funeral home.

Interment to follow at Oak Hill Burial Park.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the SPCA, 5850 Brannen Rd. S., Lakeland, FL 33813 or Florida Baptist Children's Home, 1015 Sikes Blvd., Lakeland, FL 33815.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Southside Chapel
1727 Bartow Road
Lakeland, FL 33801
(863) 688-7679
t.hall@gentry-morrison.com
<https://www.gentry-morrison.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Gerald "Jerry" Steven Goldsmith*



Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - March 03, 2015 at 12:22 PM



“ *Shirley,...I am sorry for your loss. I didn't know Jerry had passed. I hope the days and weeks ahead will be kind and peaceful. Like our friend Sandy Crumrine-Jansen says..."remember the good times"....*



Janie Letchworth - March 18, 2015 at 03:59 PM

CH

“ Dear Shirley:

Ron and I are sorry to hear about Gerry. We've known the two of you since our engagement in 1978 when Ron picked out my engagement ring at your store. He brought me in and asked me to pick out the ring I liked and I picked the very same one! Meant to be! 35 years of marriage later, we remember Gerry as a kidder; and I remember as I so young then, never knowing when to take him seriously. He'd always end one of his "quick witted remarks" with a smile. And you would stand behind him shaking your head. :)

We wish you peace of heart and faith to get through this very difficult time.

Ron and Celeste Henkelman

Celeste Henkelman - March 12, 2015 at 10:10 AM

SJ

“ Shirley so sorry for your loss. Remember all the good times! Your old friend from Piper

Sandy Jansen

Sandra Jansen - March 06, 2015 at 09:40 AM

KC

“ Shirley, so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Kathy Callahan

Kathy Callahan - March 03, 2015 at 08:48 PM



“ 58 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - March 03, 2015 at 11:11 AM

LW

“ Leonard and Joan Wiggins purchased the *Divine Peace Bouquet* for the family of Gerald "Jerry" Steven Goldsmith.



Leonard and Joan Wiggins - March 02, 2015 at 07:59 PM