



Gerald Carlton "Jerry" Kasson

July 27, 1936 - June 9, 2025

Gerald Carlton (Jerry) Kasson, 88, of Ulster, found peace on June 9, 2025, in Troy, after a 3 year battle with Alzheimer's.

Born on July 27, 1936, at Mills Hospital in Towanda, Jerry spent his entire life rooted in the community he loved. He grew up on the family farm in Ulster working alongside his father Ray Kasson. His early years were marked by a curious and inventive spirit, one that sometimes led to mischief. Whether it was experimenting with axle grease as body paint or taking apart his younger sisters' toys to learn how they worked (not always successfully reassembling them) Jerry's inquisitive nature led to the affectionate nickname "Jerry on the job" from his father.

Jerry remained dedicated to working the family farm until Ray's passing in 1987. Not one to shy away from challenges and new opportunities he began a new career at Sylvania. He remained at the company for 24 years and a few company name changes. During this time he made many new friends and helped the company gain a patent for a device he created.

A devoted community member, Jerry volunteered at the Ulster Recreation Center to provide local children and teens with a place to roller-skate and gather. He also enjoyed participating in bowling leagues with friends and with his wife Diane. They enjoyed taking their camper to family reunions and other family centered outings.

Jerry enjoyed fishing, boating, caring for his garden, watching the birds at the feeders and in the trees outside his window, with his beloved cat Ruby on his

lap. He also liked telling people about his encounter with something he was sure was BigFoot. He loved to have visitors, especially his longtime friends Al and Jenny Teeter, Jack Strobe, and neighbor Billy Ervin, as well as his family members.

He is lovingly remembered by his daughters: Sandra Kasson Simpson (Randy Simpson), Jill Alexander (Adnan Saba), Kim Young (Jim Young), Sara Kasson (Patrick Banas); grandchildren Michael Alexander, Brittini Young, Brooklyn Kasson; great grandchildren Mason Alexander, Collin Alexander; his younger sisters Joan Faunce (Dexter Faunce), Edith Shortt as well as cousins, nieces and nephews.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents Pearl B. Kasson and Ray Kasson, siblings; Eileen Wolfe, Clifford Kasson, Kenway Kasson, Donald Kasson, Joyce Gerald, Beverly Kasson; and his wife Diane Fay (Pensworth) Kasson on August 11, 2016.

May Gerald "Jerry" Kasson's memory bring comfort to all who knew him and serve as a reminder of a life lived with curiosity, dedication, humor and love. In honor of Jerry's wishes there will be no visitation or services. Those wishing to, may honor his memory with a donation to the Alzheimer's Association.