



## Sterling Gerald "Jerry" Young

September 13, 1946 - January 4, 2024

Sterling Gerald "Jerry" Young, 77, of 33 Third Street, Towanda, PA passed away Thursday, January 4, 2024, at the Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre, PA. "Jerry" as he was known by his family and many friends was born in Towanda on September 13, 1946, the son of Sterling M. Young and Catherine Messersmith Young. He was a graduate of Towanda High School with the class of 1964 and while attending high school, Jerry worked at The Daily Review in Towanda. During the 1960's, Jerry was the organist for the Twilighter's Band which was well known in the area. Jerry was employed by GTE Sylvania in Towanda until his retirement on September 30, 2001, following 36 years of service.

After retiring from GTE Sylvania, Jerry worked as a truck driver for the Bishop Fuel Company, Pennsylvania Dept. of Transportation, and Chilson Brothers Paving Company. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Towanda for over 50 years where he served as a trustee and as church organist. Jerry was a member of the Towanda, North Towanda, and Wysox Fire Companies. He was a member of Union Lodge No. 108 F. & A.M. Towanda, and A.A.O.N.M.S. Williamsport, PA. Jerry loved spending time with his family and enjoyed volunteering for the Outstanding Young Women Program.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Cynthia McNeal Young whom he

married on July 9, 1965, their children, Lisa L. Young of Towanda, Heidi Jo Hetland of Durham, NC, Stephen G. Young and wife Dona M. Young of North Brookfield , MA, grandchildren, Stephen Gerald Young Jr., Adam Hetland, Elise Hetland, Stephen Bourret and wife Shannon, Christine Myers and husband Justin, great grandchildren, Layla Bourret, Jack Bourret, Jace Myers, aunts, Alice Shafer of Overton, Martha “Peg” Cook of Mansfield, PA, brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Wally and Sheila McNeal of Towanda as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his parents, Jerry was predeceased by his brother, Merle Young. The family will receive friends Monday from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home 217 York Ave. Towanda, PA. Members of the Towanda, North Towanda, and Wysox Fire Departments will hold a Service of Remembrance Monday at 4:45 p.m. at the funeral home. A funeral service will be held Tuesday, January 9, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home with Pastor Randy Renninger officiating. Interment will be immediately following in Oak Hill Cemetery, Towanda, PA. Union Lodge No. 108 F. & A. M. will hold a Masonic Funeral Service Tuesday at 10:45 a.m. at the funeral home. The family suggests that bequests be directed to the First Presbyterian Church 5 Court St. Towanda, PA 18848 or to a charity or organization of one’s choice in memory of Sterling Gerald Young. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting [www.bowenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.bowenfuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Hill Cemetery

100 Oak Street  
Towanda, PA 18848

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home  
217 York Ave.  
Towanda, PA 18848  
(570) 265-2272  
[info@bowenfuneralhomes.com](mailto:info@bowenfuneralhomes.com)

## Funeral Service

JAN 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

BU

“ Cynthia and Family-- My deepest sympathy as you mourn your loss of Jerry. I will always remember the various ways we had contact with you both through the years. He could always be counted on when help was needed. My prayers are with you. Sincerely, Barbara Ulatowski, Kissimmee, FL



Barbara Ulatowski - January 09, 2024 at 12:40 PM

BZ

“ A real loss for this community... Have many memories with Jerry and Cindy over the years , most of which they we're helping others...

Bill and Diane Ziegler - January 08, 2024 at 11:31 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sterling Gerald "Jerry" Young.



January 07, 2024 at 08:49 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Sterling Gerald "Jerry" Young.



January 07, 2024 at 02:52 PM

AM

“ Cynthia and Family,  
Jerry's passing leaves a gap that can't be filled. God Bless you and  
Keep you all.  
Sadly and Fondly,  
Amy O'Rourke & Patricia Seibert

Amy - January 06, 2024 at 06:08 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of  
Sterling Gerald "Jerry" Young.



January 06, 2024 at 07:24 AM

DC

“ Debbie, Steph, Carrie Sue, and Cassie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in  
honor of Sterling Gerald "Jerry" Young.

Debbie, Steph, Carrie Sue, and Cassie - January 06, 2024 at 07:24 AM

DM

“ I'm so very sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. I haven't seen him in  
many years, but I'll always remember him as a great guy and very  
pleasant to talk with. R.I.P. Jerry

David McGuire - January 05, 2024 at 04:39 PM

JB

“ Jerry was my fire department mentor when we worked together at Sylvania, as well as my sprinkler system teacher. He was a good buddy. I will miss him, and his goofy sense of humor Thanks Jerry for being a friend and all you taught me God Bless You That fire department in the sky received another angel My thoughts and prayers to his family

Joel Bonnell - January 05, 2024 at 03:05 PM

DL

“ Jerry was a wonderful man and friend. We played cards and laughed together. He has passed but his memory will live forever 🙏

Dick and Linda - January 05, 2024 at 11:37 AM

JH

“ Dear Cynthia and Family, I am so sorry to hear of Jerry's passing. He was a great Gent willing to give a helping hand and fun to be around. Please accept my sincere condolences and know that my thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time. May God Bless. - Joyce Hinkson

Joyce Hinkson - January 05, 2024 at 11:24 AM

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Joyce Hinkson - January 05, 2024 at 11:05 AM

RT

“ Jerry was a wonderful person who respected and found something good in everyone. His quick wit and sense of humor will be missed by all of us that were privileged to know this man. My condolences and thoughts and prayers to the family on your loss.

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**Richard Taubar** - January 05, 2024 at 10:20 AM

DH

“ My husband and myself enjoyed working around Jerry. He always made life interesting. So sorry for your loss.

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**Diana Haverly** - January 05, 2024 at 07:21 AM