



## Benny Dale Allen

November 15, 1946 - December 20, 2022

### Benny Dale Allen

Benny, age 76, died peacefully, surrounded by his wife, Sue, and a few friends on Tuesday, December 20, 2022, at their lakeside home. After a lifetime of enjoying fishing and hunting, he spent his retirement years RV traveling. He & Sue traveled for 16 years in their RV throughout the contiguous U.S., parts of Canada and even throughout Alaska, in reverence and awe of the beauty of God's creations. Benny loved Sue without question, always putting her above all others. He was always willing to help family & friends with anything, never expecting anything in return. He was a humble man of very few words, never wanting recognition for his thoughtfulness and acts of kindness. He was loved by many and will be missed by all who knew him. BA - Over & Out

He is survived by his wife, Sue Allen; his loving furbaby, Boo; his brother, Rickey Zimmerman; his sister-in-law, Brenda Barnett; his brother-in-law, Randy Jackson; along with his many nieces, nephews, great & great-great nieces and nephews.

Benny is preceded in death by his father, Ardelle Allen; mother, Lucille Sanders; and his brother, Dewain Allen.

Words are not enough to express the appreciation, help and support Sue feels and she would like to thank all of her friends and family that have been there for her through this difficult time.

She also asks that if you would like to honor Benny, donations can be made to: [Deedogsinneed@yahoo.com](mailto:Deedogsinneed@yahoo.com), [Danteshoperescue@gmail.com](mailto:Danteshoperescue@gmail.com) or their

venmo Danteshope-animal rescue, [www.hopeforpaws.org](http://www.hopeforpaws.org), or your favorite Non-Profit pet rescue or veteran organization.

Condolences and other information may be found at [www.thompsoncares.com](http://www.thompsoncares.com).

# Tribute Wall

BB

“ What do I say about Benny that hasn't already been said? I knew the first time I met Benny that he was a keeper for Sue. He helped our parents so much. If someone needed repaired, he got right on it. If he saw something he thought would benefit them, he got it. Also after Mike passed, he helped me in all sorts of ways, financially and physically. I could not have had a better brother in law. Actually, he was more like a big brother. Benny was always willing to help anyone that needed help. He was a great tour guide also. The trips I was able to join them on was amazing. He was so knowledgeable on information about the areas we visited and it made the trip so much more interesting. I loved Benny like a brother and he will definitely be missed by many. Until we meet again, Benny. Thank God for placing you in my life.

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**Brenda Barnett** - December 31, 2022 at 12:08 AM

SA

*Beautiful words for a beautiful soul. Thank you.*

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**Sue Allen** - December 31, 2022 at 01:44 PM

SJ

“ Sergio and Jan purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Benny Dale Allen.



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**Sergio and Jan** - December 26, 2022 at 01:38 PM

SK

“ As a man of great verbosity in speech and prose this has been hard to write as my friend Benny was none of that ... but what he was, was far greater. He was a rarity in this world. A sweet, gentle man of extreme intelligence and compassion who always put others first. Many in this world need some type of self affirmation, Benny did not.

*I met Benny during one of the darkest periods of my life. He (with Sue) picked me up at the New Orleans airport while my father was dying in a hospital in Alexandria, La. Now we had never met, to be honest they had only just met my parents who were staying at a campground there. Yet, they drove 2.5 hours to pick up a stranger and 2.5 hours back and when I entered their CRV, there were no strangers there. Benny had that way. To calm a hot mess of man going through one of the worse times in his life. (And only recently did I realize what a needed skill as an Air Traffic Controller) Now if I had been an air traffic controller ...well let's not think about that. Lol. From that first moment at the NOLA airport a friendship began. A friendship that I will remember until we meet again on high.*

*Because Benny was a man of few words and I was more like Sue, (sorry Sue lol) Sue and I would do most of the talking when we called. But Benny was a presence in all our calls. Over the years from our summer trip to Wisconsin, to our winter in Louisiana, to their several visits to me in Ohio. Benny's quick quiet wit and sparkle in his eye will always be remembered.*

*Our game nights playing Canasta (Benny was the Canasta King) and Greedy were legendary. He could have been a professional poker player because he had a "poker" face lol Now Sue and I ... well*

*Benny would always help anyone and gladly when so many do it begrudgingly.*

*He helped me more times than I can count with my Rv's and car and houses. His most recent trip last year to Ohio he noticed my kitchen faucet was loose and fixed it*

*With Sue by his side.*

*I called them Macgyver and Macgyverette as no problem seemed to big for them to fix with whatever supplies and tools they had.*

*Benny's love for animals was so evident with his beloved Minky and Boo and all animals. They gravitated to him. My late furkid Bruiser, and his late Brother in laws dog Big Bruiser would ignore me and his BIL Mr Mike and go to Benny.*

*Animals are great judges of character far better than people in my opinion.*

*But the greatest love I saw in Benny was for our God and his beloved wife Sue.*

*He was like in all things a man of quiet faith but like God had a rare ability to love unconditionally and that love I saw for his cherished Sue. Sue jokes about her differences from Benny (Sue and I are very alike, we could be siblings lol and are honorary ones. But Benny never saw any flaws in Sue. To be in their presence was to feel that rarest of love.*

*I learned a lot about life and how to be a better man and husband from Benny. In my life I have had 2 heroes, my Dad and Benny. Different in many ways yet both taught me such important life lessons. I got to tell my Dad in person 2 days before he died. I was hoping to see Benny and Sue this winter but as those of faith know God's plan trumps our plans. I am grateful in one of Benny's final acts of his unconditional love that he was able to let the Dr's know his wishes. I know Sue knew what he would have wanted but I also know the enemy can make us doubt in the days after.*

*I will miss him but am so grateful to God for his plan that let me be part of this great, kind and true gentleman's life.*

*Until that glorious reunion my friend.*

*Much love Sue and Boo*

*Steve*

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**Stephen Kiser** - December 26, 2022 at 12:10 PM

SA

*Thank you for those heartfelt words. You've always been an awesome friend.*

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**Sue Allen** - December 31, 2022 at 01:45 PM

KK

“ Oh Sue, my memory of Benny was honestly just knowing how truly in love you both were with each other. I was there with you as we were both stuck in the OU dorm. You and I spent most of our spare time together and I got to see how much you cared about a wonderful man. Then after we got out of that dorm your dreams came true. I was so thrilled for you. Though all the years of knowing you I saw that her was the absolute perfect fit for you. I know he was the love of your life. You did deserve him and he deserved you. You were and always will be truly devoted to him. Actually, as for that, you are truly devoted and care so much for those you love. Hugs my awesome friend. You will see him again.  
Kathy Klein

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**Kathy Klein** - December 26, 2022 at 09:11 AM

SA

*Thank you. Hugs back to you.*

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**Sue Allen** - December 31, 2022 at 01:47 PM

SA

“Where do I begin to share 39 years of memories with the kind, gentle, thoughtful man that Benny was. There are so many positive adjectives that describe him and so many heartfelt and funny memories I could share. But it would take volumes. I can honestly say that I had only seen him pushed to anger twice during our life together and I am thankful I was not the one doing the pushing or the one he was angry at. He was the most patient, considerate, compassionate man I've ever known...even with my OCD idiosyncrasies. I stand by my statement that I was much harder to live with than he was and he deserved better than me. He denied me nothing... "Whatever you want, Dear!" But he was the perfect husband, perfect for me. Benny was a quiet and humble man, never boasting of some of the amazing things he did. But always there...ready to help anyone he knew.

From the day I met him, he always gave me advice with my best interest at heart. As our relationship grew, he became the person that I always went to...when having to make difficult decisions, when needing a shoulder to cry on and really just anything. From the first time I introduced him to my family, they loved him. To the point when we were leaving on this first visit, my Daddy told him to come back...he was always welcome...and he didn't have to bring me! Benny just fit in my family. And as the years unfolded before me, Benny was there to do anything he could to help make my family's life easier. He thought of things that I didn't think of. In reflection, everything he did and every thought he had was for me, directly or indirectly by helping those I loved...that he therefore loved.

I told him many times that he had given me a life and love that I'd never imagined I'd ever have...something like a fairy tale for me. He truly put me above all else and all others, and right up to his final days, his thoughts were for me. I've been told by others that have known him longer than me that Benny's happiest life was when he and I shared our life together. I do hope that is true because if I made him happy even a fraction of how happy he made me...we had a happy life and we did. We shared everything...love, joy,

*sadness, hope, happiness, accomplishments, adventures...everything. We worked together to accomplish what we needed to accomplish...and a common goal. We were each others best friend and support. I was honored to call him "husband" and blessed that God would give me such a Godly, Christian man to spend my life with. I will patiently wait til God calls me home and I will be reunited with the love of my life, and as I told him...MY HERO!*

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**Sue Allen** - December 25, 2022 at 04:19 PM

RW

“ *Benny and I spent a lot of time at our grandparents when I was a child. Benny was a teenager then and helped them with all the chores. There was always a lot to do. Most summer afternoons he would get his fishing rod and go to the pond for a while. Goodbye cousin.*

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**Roger Wilson** - December 23, 2022 at 03:41 PM

SA

*Thank you for those memories.*

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**Sue Allen** - December 31, 2022 at 01:47 PM

JA

“ *Benny was for sure the kindest person one could have the honor to meet. He will be dearly missed!*

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**JC Adam** - December 22, 2022 at 07:12 PM

SA

*Yes...he will be missed by many.*

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**Sue Allen** - December 31, 2022 at 01:48 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of *Benny Dale Allen*.



December 22, 2022 at 06:42 PM



“ *Benny was such a sweet man, it was evident that he had a great sense of humor and really loved animals. He was so wonderful helping transport sweet Dixie dog back to her daddy and as excited for their reunion as we were! Benny was always so generous to the rescue pups and so helpful bringing supplies with you. I love you both like family, Sue you and Boo will be in my prayers* ❤️

**Desiree Sendelbach** - December 22, 2022 at 06:19 PM



*Thank you, Desiree.*

**Sue Allen** - December 31, 2022 at 01:48 PM