



## Dr. Allen George Franks

December 8, 1938 - November 29, 2021

Allen George Franks, 82, of Great Falls, Virginia passed away at his home after a long battle with cancer.

Allen was born December 8, 1938 in Oakley, Idaho to George Albert Franks and Merna Nelson Franks. Allen graduated from Oakley High School and went on to Brigham Young University graduating with a degree in Zoology. He continued his education at Georgetown Dental School graduating in 1967.

Allen opened a dental practice in McLean, Virginia and served the community for 54 years. He loved the dental profession and the many people he worked with and served. His passions were golfing and skiing.

Allen was an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and he believed his most important calling in life was that of a husband, father, grandfather (24), great-grandfather (5) and friend. He will be dearly missed by his wife Karen Hanson Franks, his children , Todd (Vicki), Val (DeeAnn), Melanee Oteo, Tamra Smith (Mark), Taylor (Lindsey), Karson (Brooke), Ashley (Karl) and his sister Sharon Blanthorn (Dale).

The family will hold a private graveside service at Union Cemetery in Leesburg, Virginia.

In lieu of flowers the family suggest that a donation in his memory be made to the Humanitarian Aid Fund---[donate.churchofjesuschrist.org](https://donate.churchofjesuschrist.org).

# Cemetery Details

## Union Cemetery

Leesburg, VA

# Tribute Wall

AH

“ *Karen and family-  
I just saw the news that Dr Franks passed away... I'm so very sorry for your loss! He took such good care of me for 42 years! ...and all our family for many years. We felt like family when we came to see Dr Franks, Karen, Cheryl and all in the office.  
He was such a kind man and so proud of his beautiful family!*

*We will keep you all in our prayers,  
Take care- Alison Laybourne Hokamp and family*

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**Alison Hokamp** - April 20, 2022 at 03:03 PM

GS

“ *Our sadness at the passing of our beloved Dr Allen Franks is tremendous. The over 30 year association with him, Karen, and the entire staff, has been more like that of visiting a family than just our dentist. Their smiling faces uplifted me many times when I had a bad day or was going through rough patches. How could you not be uplifted by a dentist who hums and sings to you while drilling away! As a military reservist I occasionally had an exam on base to ensure I had no dental issues. I often received comments saying whoever I had as a dentist was doing a great job, had not only done beautiful work, but no unnecessary work like some they had seen on others. Scott and I appreciated the professionalism, but also the kindness, cheerfulness, and warmth of Dr Franks. Our prayers go to Karen, the family and staff. We will always keep you in our hearts.*

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**Glenda Stephens** - January 20, 2022 at 12:04 PM

LR

“ Lynn R. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Dr. Allen George Franks.



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**Lynn R.** - December 18, 2021 at 07:06 PM

JN

“ Dr Franks and Julie Nestro doing wall sits preparing for ski season. Always a good day working with Dr Franks. ❤️



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**Julie Nestro** - December 07, 2021 at 11:39 PM

VF

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



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**Val Franks** - December 07, 2021 at 02:31 PM

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*Allen, Val, Dillon and Harrison*

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**Val Franks** - December 07, 2021 at 02:34 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dr. Allen George Franks.*



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December 04, 2021 at 03:07 PM



“ *Allen was as solid as anyone I have known. I admired Allen greatly and I looked up to him. I had so much fun with Allen, mostly on the golf course. He loved the game of golf. Allen fought the long and difficult fight. He never gave in to his illness. He never complained. I will miss Allen greatly. I will never forget him.*



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**Mike Devine** - December 03, 2021 at 10:52 PM



“ *We love Allen and Karen Franks!! Allen will always hold a special place in our hearts. He was a wonderful ministering brother to our family. We all looked forward to his visits. He not only left us with an uplifting message but he took an interest in our children and their activities. He took Logan golfing and attended a few of Emma's ballet performances. He always had a hug and smile for the Cananns. Allen will be dearly missed. Sending love and prayers of comfort to Karen and their family.*

*Brian, Julie and family*

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**Julie** - December 02, 2021 at 04:09 PM

SK

*Oh Karen I just heard. Kay sent me a message. I am SO sorry to hear this. You both have had a long and loving companionship for so many years. It is very hard to say goodbye. My heart aches for you. Hugs. If I could pass strength on to you I would. Pax vobiscum. Prayers. Hugs.*  
*Sally*

sally koonce - December 02, 2021 at 07:52 PM

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“ *Allen Franks was one of the greatest men I have ever known. What wonderful memories Judy and I have over the many decades. Tom and Judy Irving*

Tom Irving - December 02, 2021 at 02:40 PM

JM

“ *So very, very sad to hear of Dr. Franks passing, he was my dentist for over 30 years until I moved out of the area. Such a kind, sweet man he was. My heart felt love and prayers go out to his loving wife, their family and to all of their friends. Rest in peace dear friend.*

*Lois (Janie) Markley*

Janie Markley - December 02, 2021 at 06:03 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Dr. Allen George Franks.*



December 01, 2021 at 10:39 PM