

## Mr. Jerry D. Karppe

April 26, 1955 - June 16, 2024

Jerry D. Karppe, 69, of Plant City, born on April 26, 1955, entered into eternal rest on June 16, 2024. He was a devoted employee of Sears for 45 years. Jerry loved his family and his church. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing and traveling. He is survived by wife, Debbie Karppe; daughters, Julie Saunders (Bill), and Kristi Vititoe (Justin); great nephew (like a son to them ) Dylan Kinard; siblings, Diane Stanaland (Bob), and Larry Karppe (Robyn); and many other family, and friends. A funeral service will be held Tuesday, June 25 at 11:00 A.M. at Mt. Enon Primitive Baptist Church, 3660 N Frontage Road, Plant City, where the family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 A.M. Committal to follow at Mt. Enon Cemetery. For those unable to attend, the service will be live streamed at [www.Facebook.com/HopewellFuneral](http://www.Facebook.com/HopewellFuneral). In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Moffitt Cancer Center at <https://www.moffitt.org/give/>. Expressions of condolences at [www.HopewellFuneral.com](http://www.HopewellFuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Enon Cemetery

3702 North Frontage Road  
Plant City, FL 33565

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Enon Primitive Baptist Church  
3660 N Frontage Rd  
Plant City, FL 33565

## Funeral Service

JUN **25**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Enon Primitive Baptist Church  
3660 N Frontage Rd  
Plant City, FL 33565

# Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Jerry D. Karppe



Hopewell Funeral Home - June 24, 2024 at 09:47 PM

AM

“ Mr. Jerry was one of my favorite people. I'd always steal a hug and a smile from him when he came to the GI Clinic at Moffitt. My name is Amber, and I am just one of the CMA's who got the pleasure of getting his vitals every visit and he was always so pleasant and sweet. Nothing could get him down. I can't believe it's been over a year since I last saw him. He was heavy on my mind, and I can honestly say that he will be missed. My condolences and all my love to his family, friends, and loved ones that were lucky enough to be loved by him. Rest in peace, Sugar.



Amber - December 03, 2025 at 02:56 PM

SP

“ Steve Prescott lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jerry D. Karppe



Steve Prescott - June 28, 2024 at 12:40 PM

RJ

“ Mr karppe..I had the pleasure of knowing over the yrs..had some good fishing trips with you..wanna share this story with everyone on here..yrs ago we had planned a fishing trip to Parrish resevoir..you also invited another friend to join us down there..you told him to be sure to bring some fresh not frozen chicken livers..well he showed a little late..we had done launched our boat and was out on the water..when few hrs later he shows up out where we was fishing..Jerry noticed that he had a pen on front of his boat with some chickens in it Jerry asked him what you bring them for he replied back...you be sure to bring some fresh chicken livers with you..he said I didn't have time to stop by the store to try to get some fresh not frozen chicken livers so he grabbed some chickens out of his chicken coop..he killed them out on the water just to get the livers out of them..Jerry you whisper quietly im glad I didn't tell him to bring some fresh beef liver..cause he might've brought a calf out on the boat with..I laughed so hard..that story has stuck with me for many..many yrs..you service was awesome a lot of people showed up for respect for you that right told how well you was respected..have fun up in heaven my friend till i make it up there..I pray the Lord give Debbie and rest of family comfort during their grieving process 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

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**Robert L Ellis jr** - June 25, 2024 at 03:33 PM

JS

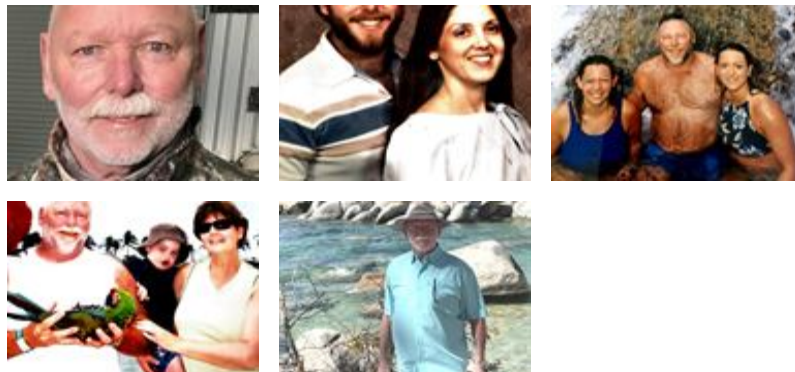
“ Dad I will miss you dearly! You were the best father a girl could ever hope for. I don't know how to do this life without you. Life will not be the same without you in it. I will see you again. I love you so much!

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**Julie Saunders** - June 24, 2024 at 09:40 PM



“ 47 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hopewell Funeral Home - June 24, 2024 at 05:41 PM

CR

*I knew Jerry from high school, and considered him a friend. He always had something pleasant and positive to say, no matter what the situation. He will truly missed in body but always remembered in spirit 😊*

Carl Rupp - June 26, 2024 at 06:35 AM

MC

“ Mitchell clark planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Jerry D. Karppe.

Mitchell clark - June 24, 2024 at 05:01 PM

MC

“ Mitchell clark purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mr. Jerry D. Karppe.



Mitchell clark - June 24, 2024 at 05:01 PM

JC

“ Sue and I live across the street from Larry, Robin and Robin's sister Kathy . This is how we meet Jerry he and Larry were all the time working on there house or doing jobs for other people .They both always had a beautiful smile and hug when we would see them. Sue and I always had a hard time telling them apart. I will always remember one time Sue and were at the restaurant in Plant City with some people from church and saw Larry come in for breakfast. I told Sue we have to go and say hi to him before we left the restaurant.. So as we were leaving we went over and talked to Larry for probably 5 minutes and them told him to give Robin a hug and tell her we said hello. He looked at us with a smile and said I better tell Larry to hug his wife. we looked at him puzzled and he broke out laughing and said I am Jerry .We were so embarrassed but he laughing even harder and reached out and hugged us both with love and said you are not the first that has happed to. That's who he was full of love and laughter. you will be missed but we all have your new address and we WILL see you later!!! God bless to all of the family and always "Remember No one loves you like Jesus"

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**Joe carter** - June 24, 2024 at 12:21 PM

JN

“ My condolences to Debbie and all the family . Jerry was a fellow work associate but most importantly he was a wonderfull friend always doing & helping someone he will certainly be missed by all that knew him prayer of comfort for all his family and may you rest in eternal peace 🙏



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**Janice Nichols** - June 23, 2024 at 07:11 PM

DJ

“ so sorry for your loss he was the best I miss him dearly he taught me so much in the years working at sears

Debra jammer - June 23, 2024 at 04:16 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Jerry D. Karppe.



June 23, 2024 at 10:39 AM

MG

“ Mike & Rosa Karppe, and Brenda Griffin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Jerry D. Karppe.

Mike & Rosa Karppe, and Brenda Griffin - June 23, 2024 at 10:39 AM

VE

“ My sincere condolences to the family.  
Vernon.

Vernon - June 22, 2024 at 06:31 PM