



Jack Ainsworth Ritzer

February 29, 1940 - December 12, 2020

Jack Ainsworth Ritzer, 80, of Altavista died Saturday, December 12, 2020 at Lynchburg General Hospital. He was the husband of Alline Rogers Ritzer.

He was born February 29, 1940 in Sturgis, Michigan, a son of the late John Ainsworth Ritzer and Anne Malone Ritzer. He was a long-time member and Ruling Elder of Altavista Presbyterian Church and a retired Senior Utility Engineer and Can Plant Manager of Abbott Nutrition.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Steven Ritzer and fiancé, Connie of Altavista; one daughter, Kathy Shirey and husband, Mike of Rustburg; two stepdaughters, Beth Farmer and husband, Mike of Altavista, and Marci Rogers (Tommy Blanks) of Martinsville; two brothers, Mike Ritzer and wife, Karen of Sturgis, Michigan, and Malcom Ritzer and wife, Karin of Portland, Oregon; four grandchildren, Hillary Lundgren and husband, Sean, Dylan Gray and wife, Jessica, Heather Kibodeax and husband, Ross, Raye Shirey (Cassidy); one great grandson, Easton Grey; and one great granddaughter, Eleanor due in February.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Ruthanne Nelson Ritzer.

A funeral service will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at Finch and Finch Chapel, Altavista by the Rev. Ed Soto with interment

to follow in Green Hill Cemetery.

Viewing of Jack will be available 12:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., Monday, December 14, 2020 at Finch and Finch Funeral and Cremation Service.

The family suggests that those wishing to make memorials consider Altavista Presbyterian Church, PO Box 126, Altavista, VA 24517 and Avoca, 1514 Main Street, Altavista, VA 24517.

Previous Events

Viewing

DEC **14**. 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Finch and Finch Chapel
809 Main St.
Altavista, VA 24517

Funeral Service

DEC **15**. 11:00 AM.

Finch and Finch Chapel

Tribute Wall



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Webcast in memory of Jack Ainsworth Ritzer*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - December 15, 2020 at 08:45 AM



“ *Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Jack Ainsworth Ritzer*



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - December 14, 2020 at 03:47 PM



“ *Jack was my boss at Ross Labs for several years. He was one of the most polite, kind gentlemen I have ever known . He was always patient and understanding . He never treated employees as just a number. He always spoke so lovingly of his family. This world needs more men like Jack !*

Helen Hamlett - December 16, 2020 at 08:19 AM

GW

“ *GLEND A C WOOD lit a candle in memory of Jack Ainsworth Ritzer*



GLEND A C WOOD - December 16, 2020 at 12:18 AM

KD

“ *Some of my favorite childhood moments occurred when the three Ritzer boys were in the same room, I will cherish those memories always. Uncle Jack, you will be missed and loved forever. - Love you, Kami*

Kami Deiss - December 15, 2020 at 11:36 PM

SK

“ *Jack was the 1st Manager I had when I was hired at Ross. He was a good boss and wasn't Stuck-Up, like some in his position could be. God Bless You with Comfort, in the days to come*

Stephen E Keese - December 14, 2020 at 11:03 PM

MM

Alline and family, I am so sorry for the loss of Jack. He was such a nice person. Praying for you and your family.

Mary Moses-Hicks - December 15, 2020 at 10:29 PM

PJ

“ *Aline, I am so sorry to here about Jack's passing. I got to know and meet some wonderful people of Altavista through my restaurant, Ruby J's. My prayers are with you....Pat Jennings.*

Pat Jennings - December 14, 2020 at 07:38 PM

SO

“ *Didn't work for Jack during my years at Ross but I remember him as being someone who always smiled and spoke. He was well thought of.* Shirley Orrell

Shirley W Orrell - December 14, 2020 at 04:02 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jack Ainsworth Ritzer.*



December 14, 2020 at 03:01 PM

BG

“ *Alline, I am so very sorry to hear of Jack's passing. Prayers for you and the family at this difficult time. He was a very fine man and I'm sure he will be missed by many.*
Betty and Bill Gillespie

Betty Gillespie - December 14, 2020 at 12:38 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jack Ainsworth Ritzer.*



December 14, 2020 at 12:04 PM

BH

“ *Betty Hunley lit a candle in memory of Jack Ainsworth Ritzer*



Betty Hunley - December 14, 2020 at 11:37 AM

AH

“ *Anne Harrison lit a candle in memory of Jack Ainsworth Ritzer*



Anne Harrison - December 14, 2020 at 11:21 AM

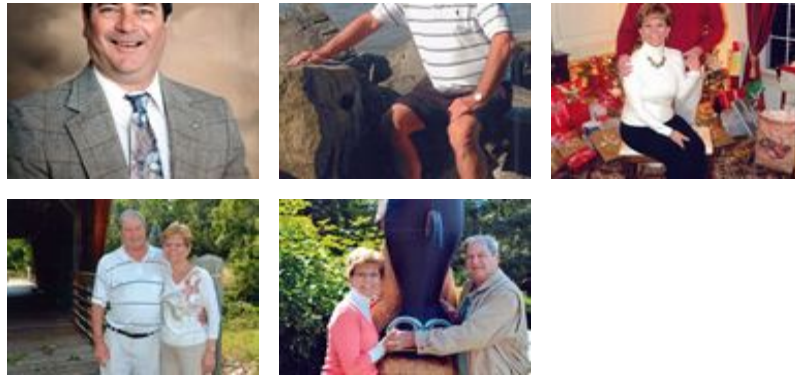
AD

“ *I worked with Jack at Abbott and have fond memories of our time there. We had some wonderful times on the Myrtle Beach golf trips with the guys and wives. Also enjoyed celebrating Jacks birthday every four years! Jack was kind and fun to be with. Rest In Peace Jack!! Al and Georgia Delbridge*

Albert Delbridge - December 14, 2020 at 10:47 AM



“ 84 files added to the album Life Tributes



Finch & Finch, Inc. Funeral & Cremation Service - December 14, 2020 at 10:14 AM



“ Words cannot describe the sadness I feel over Jack's passing. I worked with Jack at Ross Labs. He was such a nice, patient and kind person. He will sorely be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family. Patti and Don Morton

Patti Morton - December 14, 2020 at 10:07 AM



“ Paul VanKerckhove II lit a candle in memory of Jack Ainsworth Ritzer



Paul VanKerckhove II - December 14, 2020 at 10:04 AM



“ I used to work with Jack He was a wonderful person, fair and honest ,I will always remember him. Jerlene

Jerlene t Perdieu - December 14, 2020 at 08:22 AM

JS

“ I was very shocked to hear of Jack's passing I have known him for a long time and always enjoyed talking with him God got a trooper in heaven

jeff saunders - December 13, 2020 at 07:20 PM



“ Jack was such a special man! He always made me smile when him and Alline came to see me at Applebee's. They are my favorite people and I will never forget how Jack always made me laugh, and the stories we would exchange! My prayers and love to his family and dear wife, Alline ❤️



Olivia Short - December 13, 2020 at 07:05 PM

NM

“ Jack,
Thanks for letting me come into your life. Even though it was brief, your smile and kind words touched my heart. I will remember you and all of your loved ones, especially Steven. Love, Nancy.(Connie's Mother)

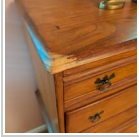


Nancy (Connie's Mother) - December 13, 2020 at 06:13 PM

JW

“ Aline and Family,
We were so sorry to hear of Jack's passing. He was always such a pleasant and caring person and so dedicated to you. May God's love comfort you during this sad time.
With Deep Sympathy,
Ken and Joan Woodson

Joan Woodson - December 13, 2020 at 06:02 PM



“ I knew Jack because I lived a few houses away from him when he lived on Laurel Ln. His smile, his friendliness, and his kindness are what I will remember about him. He will be no doubt missed greatly not only by his family but also this community. He was a blessing to all that knew him.

Dugger Overbey - December 13, 2020 at 05:47 PM



“ Jack was one of the finest people I ever had the pleasure of knowing. He was a good friend and his family for many years and it was a pleasure to call him my friend. My heart goes out to those that he loved and was such an asset to his friends. Good by my friend will see you again some day!

Ida Compton - December 13, 2020 at 04:11 PM



“ Dixie & Gary Poindexter lit a candle in memory of Jack Ainsworth Ritzer



Dixie & Gary Poindexter - December 13, 2020 at 02:37 PM