



Gerald "Jerin" Paul Tueck

November 28, 1969 - April 26, 2025

Gerald "Jerin" Paul Tueck, 55, of Bourbonnais, formerly of Michigan, passed away Saturday, April 26, 2025, in Kankakee.

He was born November 28, 1969, in Mainburg, West Germany the son of Frederick and Franziska Tueck. He graduated from Chippewa Hills High School in Remus, Michigan in 1988. Jerin left home at 19 with \$300 and two suitcases and moved to California, and he thankfully had a place to stay. He chose to attend school at FIDM, Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandising, where he graduated from in 1991. He had jobs, friendships, and adventures in LA.

In 2002, he moved to NYC, where he had a job with Jonathan Adler for 13 years as a Retail Visual Director, more friends, more adventures. After 17 years, he came back to Michigan. He worked at a furniture store as a merchandiser until COVID-19 hit, and he was laid off. He was ever so grateful for all his #oldschoolhomies, as he called them. You know who you are. He spent several years in Michigan before moving to Chicago to pursue another opportunity. Due to his depression and drinking, and unbeknownst to him, cancer, his world started to spiral out of control. He was fighting Multiple Myeloma and did so for two years, and following a Stem Cell transplant, had a clean PET scan. Only 3 short months later, his multiple myeloma came back with a vengeance. The last few months were tough, not just on him but on his

siblings as they had to watch him go through the toughest part of his life. Even on the last day, his doctors wanted to give up on him, and he refused. He was a fighter.

He is survived by his siblings, Doris (Randy) Case, Marilyn Tueck, Rosemarie Tueck, Dorene Juvenal, and Kenneth (Esther) Tueck; six nieces, four nephews, and many cousins.

Jerin is preceded in death by his parents; half-sisters, Darlene Tueck, Mary Ann Tueck, and Bernadette Tueck.

There will be a celebration of life held this summer.

Tribute Wall



“ Gerald sat with my mom, Gaynell for many meals. He was just the best! They all enjoyed sharing stories from their life. He was a very good listener. He was so helpful to others at the table and brought a calmness to the meals! Rest Easy my friend! We were lucky to know you! Alice Alvey ❤️

Alice Alvey - May 05, 2025 at 10:50 AM