



Edwin Lee Allen

September 7, 1944 - February 3, 2026

Edwin L. Allen was born in Salem, New Jersey, on September 7, 1944. He passed away suddenly on February 3, 2026, in the Christiana AccentCare unit following a sudden illness.

He was predeceased by his parents, Edwin G. Allen and Vera A. (Banks) Allen, and by his husband, Robert S. McPherson.

Ed graduated from Salem High School and attended Glassboro State College. He taught horticulture at Salem Vocational School. Later, he was employed by Mrs. Lamont duPont Copeland at Mt. Cuba in Hockessin, Delaware. He was especially proud of the woodland path area. Ed was a very talented horticulturist and greatly enjoyed making floral arrangements and wreaths for the main house during his tenure at Mt. Cuba.

He loved music. He was largely self-taught and later took formal lessons. He played the organ at Hancock's Bridge United Methodist Church, Alloway Baptist Church, and occasionally at Penton Chapel.

He is survived by his sister, Michele Allen Burke (John); his dear niece, Heather Burke Gilchrist (Thomas); and his two grand-nephews, Jacob and Cooper Gilchrist.

Friends and family are invited to attend a visitation on Saturday, April 25, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., followed by a memorial service at 11:30 a.m. at Alloway Baptist Church, 41 W Main St, Alloway, NJ. Interment will follow in the church cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Meals on Wheels of Salem County, 457 Shirley Road, Elmer, NJ 08318, or to the charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Alloway Baptist Church Cemetery

41 W Main St
Alloway, NJ 08001

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 25. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Alloway Baptist Church
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Carol Molinari Monks lit a candle in memory of Edwin Lee Allen*



Carol Molinari Monks - February 09 at 02:40 PM

MB

“ *I will miss hearing the organ playing above the courtyard entrance on N Broom St. God speed my friend .*

Mary Broderick - February 08 at 09:22 PM

CD

Ed was such a lovely person...so kind and caring. He generously shared his musical talent throughout his life, both singing and playing piano and organ. His departure leaves behind much sadness and he will be missed by many.

Carol Decker - April 20 at 11:45 AM