Captain Gerald F. Auger 21st Field Maintenance Squadron Chambley France

Retired Colonel Gerald (Gerry) Auger Age 88, born September 18, 1919, and passed away on Christmas Eve morning, December 24, 2007 in his sleep.

He was one of the Greatest Generation, having fought for his country in WWII through the Vietnam War as an Air Force Command Pilot.



In his 31 years of service, Jerry was awarded the Soldier Medal, the Air Medal, two Legions of Merit and other awards. He loved sports and during high school lettered in football, basketball and baseball. His senior year, he quarterbacked Keene H.S., in New Hampshire to an undefeated season. While waiting for acceptance to Aviation Cadet Training he met and married Nancy Thrasher. They had celebrated their 67 wedding anniversary this past May. They had four children, Judith, Jeffrey, Kathy, and Richard and ten grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. Jeffrey passed in 1947. Nancy recently passed on November 4, 2007. Nancy and Gerry had danced, golfed, played bridge, and traveled their way through life.

After Gerry retired he moved to Lakewood, WA and for the first time since his childhood set down roots and lived there for the next thirty years. For 10 years he was a maintenance manager for Washington Dept. of Transportation. One of his proudest achievements was being one of the founding members in the city hood for Lakewood.

Services were held at the McChord AFB Chapel at 3pm, Friday January 11th, 2008 with a reception at the McChord AFB officer's club.