



Merle Allen Funderburk

November 6, 1933 - November 27, 2025

Billings, Montana

Merle Allen Funderburk of Billings died on November 27, 2025 at the age of 92. Born on November 6, 1933 and raised among Hungarian-American manners that never needed a speech. He grew up believing that showing up was the first craft.

He tended hoses that turned fields into something kitchens could trust. A crush pad hose clamp labeled kept shifts fairer than memos. Colleagues still mention a crush pad hose clamp labeled.

In 1959 he married Nancy. The marriage was not a speech; it was groceries, repairs, and a son and a daughter walked to school in weather that did not care. When Nancy died in 2018, he kept what still worked: the early walk, the small garden, the call on Sundays.

Neighbors remember a jumper cable offered before the tow truck was dialed. He liked early mornings before the heat or the noise. He died in Billings, among streets he never needed to explain. The porch still expects a returning step.

Services

Services in Billings will be simple: stories, coffee, and the names of people who showed up. Flowers optional; support for a local clinic or trade scholarship preferred.

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