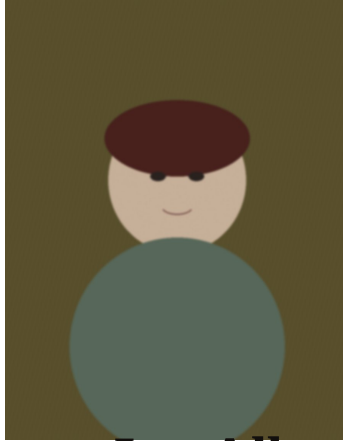




Vernon Jay Alberding

July 20, 1928 - March 4, 2019

Erie, Pennsylvania

Vernon Jay Alberding, 90, of Erie, died on March 4, 2019. Born in Erie on July 20, 1928; English-American cooking and payday thrift set the tone of the house. He learned that neighborhoods remember who helps without being asked.

He pressed pellets that farms would trust without knowing his name. A pellet press sample scoop labeled kept shifts fair. Colleagues still mention a pellet press sample scoop labeled.

He and Jean married in 1955 and raised three daughters without needing an audience. After Jean's death in 2012, he held to quiet habits-coffee before dawn, a tended yard, a voice on the phone that still checked in.

Neighbors remember snow shoveled past the corner that was not required. He preferred the hour before a town fully wakes. Erie was home enough that he never rehearsed an introduction. The lunch pail still waits by the back door.

What remains is not a legend but a practice: showing up, keeping a promise, leaving a place better than you found it. His life was the kind America is built from and too often forgets to name.

Services

A quiet remembrance in Erie. Those who wish may give to a neighborhood library, food pantry, or workers' aid fund instead of flowers.

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