**Gerald Duane "Jerry" Allen**, son of Worth Matthew (1915-1944) and Adella May (Morrison) Allen, was born 21 June 1934, Michigan. Worth Matthew Allen died in 1944 after a tragic accident at home.

## Lansing State Journal (Lansing, Michigan) Tuesday 18 July 1944

Matthew Allen, 29, of 2936 Cavanaugh road an Oldsmobile employe, suffered grave burns about 2:40 a.m. when a gasoline stove exploded at his home. He was removed to Edward W. Sparrow hospital where his condition was reported "fair" at noon Tuesday. He suffered first and second degree burns about the hands and legs.



Mr. Allen died 23 July 1944 and was interred Evergreen Cemetery, Lansing, Ingham County.

Jerry attended Okemos High School with the class of 1955 but left by 1954 when he joined the US Marine Corps.

## <u>Lansing State Journal (Lansing, Michigan)</u> <u>Friday 4 June 1954</u>

# TRANSFERS

**ALLEN** - Pfc. Gerald D. Allen, marine corps, son of Mrs. Adella Mondoskin, R. 4, Mason, has been transferred to Camp Pendleton, Cal., for further training with B company, third platoon, First division training regiment. He received his basic training at San Diego, Cal. A former student of Okemos high school, Pfc. Allen was employed by the Fisher Body corporation prior to entering the service Jan. 25. Jerry moved to South Carolina where he owned a janitorial service. He married and had children. Jerry died 4 August 1995, Sumter County, South Carolina and was interred Sumter Cemetery, Sumter.

### <u>Unknown source:</u>

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