



## Gerald W. "Jerry" DeChant

September 23, 1929 - March 3, 2016

Gerald W. "Jerry" DeChant, 86, of Mentor passed away March 3, 2016 at Hospice House in Cleveland. He was born September 23, 1929 in Cleveland.

Mr. DeChant was an assistant vice president at National City Bank for 26 years. A U.S. Navy veteran, he proudly served his country during the Korean Conflict.

Surviving Jerry are his children, Margaret "Peg" (Steve) Thornburg, Mary Pat (Wayne) DeChant – Tollefsen and Martin "Marty" (Ann Jadrych) DeChant; Grandson, Michael Thornburg; loving companion, Ada Klelpek; and his sister, Patricia Telepak.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas and Anne DeChant, and his brother, Thomas DeChant

Funeral service will be held 11 a.m. Monday at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor. The family will receive friends from 2-6 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Interment will be at Mentor Cemetery.

In memory of Jerry and in lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made

to the Thornburg – DeChant Scholarship, c/o Cleveland Community College Foundation, 137 South Post Rd., Shelby, NC 28152 or to Hospice of the Western Reserve, 17876 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44110-2602, donate online at [www.hospicewr.org](http://www.hospicewr.org).

Please offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 974-5733

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 6.** 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center  
8466 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 255-3401  
ajs@brunners.com  
<https://www.brunners.com/>

## Funeral Service

**MAR 7.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JH

“ *Sorry for your loss. Your family is in our prayers.*

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**Jimmy Hensley** - March 07, 2016 at 09:15 AM

JC

“ *Marty, I am sorry for your loss, I still remember your Dad from time to time, for he is the one who started me out with my first checking account back when I was 18 yrs. old. You, your Dad and family our good people. God Bless all of you. Joe Cook*

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**joe cook** - March 06, 2016 at 08:22 AM

KK

“ *Marty, I am so sorry on the loss of your father. May God bless him and may he rest in peace. Ken Koscick*

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**Ken Koscick** - March 05, 2016 at 10:22 PM

GS

“ *Dear DeChant Family,*

*Please accept our deepest sympathy on the passing of your father. We were neighbors for the past 17 years at Deepwood. We loved joking and talking to your dad. He always had a smile on his face, and always asked us about our yearly stay in Myrtle Beach.*

*Jerry will be truly missed by many at Deepwood. He was a very special gentleman.*

*Sincerely,  
Gary & Marlene Smith*

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**Gary & Marlene Smith** - March 05, 2016 at 03:58 PM