



Mohammad Valy Abdullahi

November 2, 1928 - July 8, 2017

Mohammad Valy Abdullahi passed away peacefully at the age of 88 on Saturday July 8th, 2017 after a five year plight with Alzheimer's. Born the youngest of 5 children to a farmer in Ghasem Abad, Iran, he became a farmer himself. Illiterate until the age of 37, he embarked on his journey of education, often working multiple jobs to provide for his growing family, as a janitor, a farmer, and as a miner at a stone quarry. At the age of 52, he graduated as the oldest student from Ferdowsi University in Mashhad, Iran with a Bachelor's of Art degree in Arabic Literature, demonstrating his lifelong commitment to education, perseverance and hard work. At that time he was working at the department of health for an office focused on eradicating Malaria throughout Iran, in the province of Khorasan. Upon moving to the United States, he continued working until the age of 82, as a gardener, mainly helping close acquaintances, friends and family.

He was married to his loving wife Iran Jourab Takhti for over 60 years, raising 4 sons and 1 daughter together while instilling strong family values of love, integrity and togetherness. He was known for his sense of humor and his ability to command attention and tell a colorful story that would make a room of people laugh out loud. He will be dearly missed as a man who lived his life with integrity according to his ideals and aspirations that he held so dearly.

Mohammad is survived by his wife Iran, sons Sam (Parizad), Alan (Mila), Ali

(Sayeh), Nasser (Sahar) and daughter Fara (Chris) and his thirteen grandchildren, Sarah, Mariah, David, Sami, Alex, Lydia, Andre, Audrey, Sheila, Hannah, Andy, Zach and Joey. We are forever indebted to the sacrifices he made to make life better for his family. The world is a better place because of him.

Visiting hours will be from 10:00am to 11:30am on Tuesday July 18th at Rutherford Funeral Home at 2383 North High Street Columbus Ohio 43202 (between Hudson St. and Lane Ave.). Funeral services will follow at 12:00pm with burial immediately following at Union Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Columbus Alzheimer's Association, 1379 Dublin Rd, Columbus, OH 43215.

Cemetery Details

Union Cemetery

3349 Olentangy River Road
Columbus, OH 43202
(614) 267-5471

Previous Events

Visitation:

JUL 18. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mohammad Valy Abdullahi*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Deborah Murphy lit a candle in memory of Mohammad Valy Abdullahi*



Deborah Murphy - July 17, 2017 at 09:29 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mohammad Valy Abdullahi.*



July 17, 2017 at 02:15 PM



“ *We are so sorry to hear of your loss. While I never got to really know Mohammad, I considered him a friend for the last several years. Oh how I would have loved to learn more of Arabic literature, farming in Iran, and so many more experiences. May you all cherish many great memories.*

Mark & Pam Besel

Mark Besel - July 17, 2017 at 11:09 AM

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“ *As an American from immigrant background Mr Abdullahi life story is very inspirational to all those who knew him. We are so sorry for his loss. May God grant your family and friends peace to cope with your grief and loss. (Phil 4:6-7)*

Kirt and Camille - July 14, 2017 at 11:39 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mohammad Valy Abdullahi.*



July 14, 2017 at 10:42 AM