



Chief Deputy Donald O. Allen

March 1, 1956 - May 25, 2025

Chief Deputy Donald Orion Allen, went home to be with the Lord on May 25, 2025. was born in Galveston, Texas. He attended Holy Rosary Catholic School and graduated from Ball High School in 1974. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration with a concentration in Management from Prairie View A&M University in 1978 and later received a Master's Certificate in Law Enforcement. Donald proudly served 41 years as a commissioned peace officer and made history as the first African American to achieve and retire with the rank of Chief Deputy in the Galveston County Sheriff's Office. Alongside his brother, Councilman Danny Allen, he also made his mark as a trailblazer in local business. Together, they were the first African Americans to own and manage multiple businesses along the Seawall, including Dan & Don's, later to be known as, D'Elegance.

Donald is preceded in death by his beloved parents, Andrew "Gus" Allen and Gussie Mae Carrier, and his brother, Gus Allen Jr.

Donald leaves cherished memories with his devoted wife of 51 years, Dianne Allen; His loving children: Donald Allen Jr. (Jameelah), Danny Allen (Khrystian), Dominique Allen-Jones (Michael), Darren Allen (Kelli) and Donnie Allen; His loving siblings: Danny Allen (Corliss), Darlene Allen, Debbie Allen (Richard), Diane Cole (Curtis), Daniela McIntosh (Karjeffery) and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, extended family, and members of the law enforcement community.

Cemetery Details

Forest Park East Cemetery

21620 Gulf Freeway
Webster, TX 77598

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

Greater Barbour's Chapel Baptist Church
7420 FM 1765
Texas City, TX 77591

Celebration of Life

JUN 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Burial

JUN 4. 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JF

“ *Janice (Thomas) Lenor And Family lit a candle in memory of Chief Deputy Donald O. Allen*



Janice (Thomas) Lenor and Family - June 04, 2025 at 09:43 PM

JF

“ *To the family, Sending love, hugs, prayers, and thoughts. So sorry to hear of your loss. You all have our deepest sympathy*

Janice (Thomas) Lenor and Family - June 04, 2025 at 09:41 PM

SB

“ *Rest in Peace Don. You will Truly be missed!*
Sharon Stoll Beckett



sharon Stoll Beckett - June 04, 2025 at 02:51 PM

JS

“ *Rest in peace, Ole Friend! May the good Lord embrace & comfort your loving family, during this time.*

Jose Salinas - June 04, 2025 at 08:48 AM

SG

“ Sharon Dergin Guillory lit a candle in memory of Chief Deputy Donald O. Allen



Sharon Dergin Guillory - June 03, 2025 at 11:27 PM

SG

Thoughts and prayers for the family.

Sharon Dergin Guillory - June 03, 2025 at 11:28 PM

TM

“ To the Family I know this is a really tough time and things may not make a lot of sense right now, but I also know what special people you all are.

*And if I am 100% sure of anything I am absolutely sure that you all are going to get through this. Just stay strong make the most of each day, and hold on tight to your hope and faith
ITS GOING TO BE OKAY.*

Don taught the Family to love, to see the beauty and take your place in the world.

He will always be with you

May all you all beautiful memories of him comfort you and bring peace. Love you all TJ.

Tommie Moguel - June 03, 2025 at 10:50 PM

LB

“ Sending sincere condolences & prayers to the entire family during this difficult time

Linda B - June 03, 2025 at 04:28 PM

YE

“ *To Daniela my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time of sorrow.*

*Yolanda Maddox Ellison
c/o 1982*

Yolanda M Ellison - June 02, 2025 at 05:41 PM



“ *Written in the Stars was purchased for the family of Chief Deputy Donald O. Allen.*



June 02, 2025 at 12:58 PM