

Farewell to Jerry Crist

Colonel Jerry A. Crist, U.S. Air Force retired, passed away Monday, January 29.

Jerry was superintendent for several years at the Glenview Naval Air Station. Then he and his wife, Nancy, moved to Shady Lawn G.C. in Crete. He was superintendent and they built a home on the seventh fairway. His last golf venture was building a nine-hole executive course with Buz Didier in Monee, called Golf Vista.

Jerry graduated from the University of Illinois.

Jerry and Nancy loved to travel.

Off-season, his activities were numerous:

- Refinishing and caning antique rocking chairs.
- Deer-hunting in Wisconsin.
- Cheering at Big Ten football games.
- Substitute-teaching at the local high school.

For culture, he and Nancy would move to downtown Chicago for a week each year. There they would attend the opera, a show or two, visit the museums and eat at fancy restaurants.

I first met Jerry at Adolph's annual Christmas party. He and Oliver Miles were cleaning up on Paul Voykin and Kinky Trometer at the poker table.

I looked forward to his early-morning phone calls. "And what have you done for God and your country today?" and then, "Let's do lunch this week."

Jerry and Nancy were anticipating a six-month visit to China, where he was invited to teach, when he was stricken with cancer.

The Colonel was buried downstate, in his hometown of Milford.

God bless you, Jerry Crist.



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about once per week in dry weather (probably not at all when sufficient rainfall has occurred). Inspect the soil before watering to see if it is moist or dry. Crabapples take dry weather fairly well.

Pests—There are quite a few critters that like crabapples. Deer can be a major problem eating both fruit and tender branch tips. Deer are hard to control. Voles (tailless meadow mice) and other rodents (especially rabbits) can eat the bark during the winter and

girdle the tree. Plastic tree guards are good for stopping rabbits and deer rubbing their antlers. The eastern tent caterpillar makes ugly tents in the spring but these are easy to control by physically removing them (never burn them) or spraying them with insecticides. In some areas, the Japanese beetle can cause damage to foliage. Insecticide sprays are recommended for control but may not help much. The beetles can cause a lot of damage before the insecticide kills them.



Now professor of urban forestry at WIU, Dr. Green previously worked for 13 years at the Morton Arboretum. A crabapple specialist, he has also conducted numerous golf course inventories. One of his current pursuits is a study on the successful fall planting of oaks.