



Jan Gareth Rogers

May 7, 1940 - April 9, 2025

Jan Gareth Rogers, 84, passed away peacefully on April 9, 2025 – reuniting with his beloved Judith. He was born in Colchester, England to Paul Rogers and Jocelyn Wynne Rogers Brubaker. He grew up a proper English boy, attending boarding school, including Dartington Hall where he made friends he still kept up with until his death. He immigrated to the United States when he was 16, joining his mother and brother Piers, living on a cousin's farm in Monticello. He enjoyed those years, earning money by riding horses and tending cattle. He went to FSU where he met Judith Sadler, who later became his wife.

Completing his formal education, he spent time teaching but his real love turned out to be broadcasting, where he put his talents as a salesman and his booming voice to work. He was there when WFSU-TV went on the air. He did sales for and eventually became the General Manager of WONS-AM and WBGM-FM, before moving on to the Phipps Corporation's WCTV. There he was a salesman before being tapped to start up a television production truck that worked all over the country and in Bermuda and Korea, and then also started the satellite uplink business.

He retired to Red Dragon Farm in Gadsden County, where he and Judith spent 20 years enjoying the rural life, mowing grass, gathering pecans and growing vegetables. They moved back to town when Judith's health required

closer access to care.

Jan, a devoted Episcopalian married Judith in St. Clement's Chapel at the Episcopal Church of the Advent in 1961 and attended Advent, St. John's, and St. Paul's in Quincy before returning to Advent. He has served as Senior Warden several times and was known as an excellent Lector, using his amazing voice to bring readings from the Bible alive.

The last years were fairly quiet. Judith had moved to a memory care facility where Jan visited several times a week, and when she died, he missed her terribly. They were together for 66 years and when she went, a big piece of him went with her. His children surrounded him with love and care – rarely a day went by without a visit from one of them and phone calls daily. Visits and calls from his grandchildren were incredibly special to him and he loved keeping up with everyone on Facebook. We will miss him terribly.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, May 3rd at 10am at the Episcopal Church of the Advent, 815 Piedmont Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32312. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Advent Church.

Dayne Parker of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com) is assisting the Rogers family with arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 3. 10:00 AM (ET)

Advent Episcopal Church
815 Piedmont Drive
Tallahassee, FL

Tribute Wall

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“ If you are unable to attend Jan's memorial service, it will be on the church's Facebook page Live (Saturday, 5/3 @ 10am) and will stay on the page for 30 days after. <https://www.facebook.com/AdventChurchTallahassee>

Sarah Rogers - April 30, 2025 at 11:16 AM

GP

“ We enjoyed meeting them when you they bought the property in Havana from us. We had such great memories there and were happy it was going to folks that would love it like we did. Glad to hear they enjoyed it to the fullest. Condolences to all the family

Glenn P - April 28, 2025 at 01:23 PM

SR

Thank you. They absolutely adore living out on the farm. It was hard for them to leave, even though by the time they did, it was really necessary. Red Dragon Farm was always home to them.

Sarah Rogers - April 29, 2025 at 04:51 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jan Gareth Rogers.



April 26, 2025 at 09:20 AM

TC

“ *The Tuesday Men's Breakfast, as I recall started as a bible study with Bishop Alden Hathaway and a hot breakfast served by yours truly at St. John's church. The meeting evolved to a gathering of friends and stories told by all, but the best stories every week were Jan's. What great experiences and tales Jan shared with his amazing voice and captivating smile. He was a great friend who imprinted many wonderful memories and images in my mind that will stay with me for a very long time. He is sorely missed. - Tim Cross*

Tim Cross - April 20, 2025 at 01:52 PM

SR

Thank you, Tim - your breakfasts were the highlight of his week!

Sarah Rogers - April 29, 2025 at 04:52 PM

BB

“ *Jan told the best stories bar none and was such a beloved constant at the Men's Breakfast. He is missed.*

Bill Blocker - April 15, 2025 at 09:28 PM

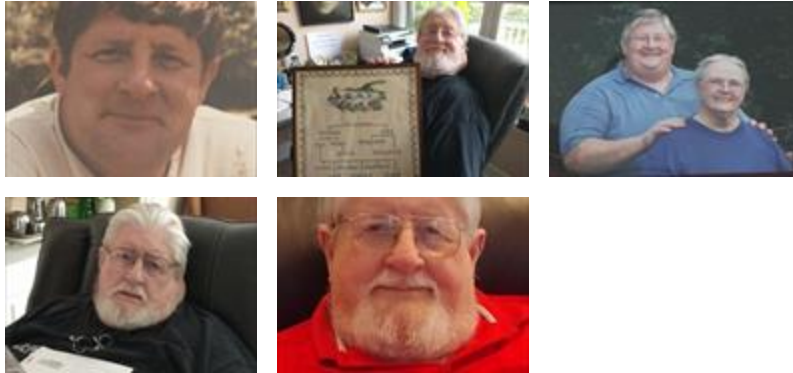
SR

He LOVED his Men's Breakfast!

Sarah Rogers - April 29, 2025 at 04:52 PM

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“ 14 files added to the album Jan Rogers



Sarah Rogers - April 15, 2025 at 03:05 PM

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“ He is survived by their six children: Sarah Rogers, John Rogers (Mary), Jeremy Rogers, Andrew Rogers, Matthew Rogers, and James Rogers (Dennis), and 6 grandchildren: Gareth Rogers, Maggie Rogers-Verner, Walker Rogers, Zoey Nicole Wynne, Paul Kim Rogers and Anne Kim Rogers, as well as two great-grandchildren: Milo and Robin Verner.

Sarah Rogers - April 15, 2025 at 02:55 PM

NF

Jan and Judy were members of The Advent Nine: a group of friends who had fun and even got into some trouble. We are now down to two old ladies. All the kids had many parents who tried to keep them out of trouble or at least out of jail. It was a delight to know Jan.

Nancy Fischer - April 15, 2025 at 05:02 PM

PC

I will miss hearing his beautiful intonations, through which he conveyed passion and meaning.

Patricia Collins - April 15, 2025 at 10:57 PM

SR

Oh, no... somehow I missed Everett Verner in the survivor post. He is husband to Maggie and father of Milo and Robin.

Sarah Rogers - April 21, 2025 at 11:50 AM