



Gary Lee Freeman

October 30, 1939 - March 17, 2020

Gary Lee “Little Abe” Freeman, 80 of Milton, WV, passed away, Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at his residence. He was born October 30, 1939 in Huntington, WV the son of the late, Herman and Ruth Ratcliff Freeman. He was a graduate of Huntington East High School, attended Marshall University, attended Antioch Baptist Church, was a huge WVU fan, retired from INCO Alloys, and was a U.S. Air Force Veteran. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by two brothers, Larry Gene Freeman and Jerry Dale Freeman. He is survived by his loving wife, Joan Freeman of Milton, WV; one son, Mark Edward Freeman (Cathy) of Ona, WV; two daughters, Leigh Gillmeister (Greg) of Milton, WV and Mary Bednar of Stow, OH and one sister, Carol Underwood of Huntington, WV; one brother, John Paul Freeman (Kay) of Barboursville, WV; grandchildren, Joe Freeman, Dave Freeman (Lauren), Ian Gillmeister (Kimmy), Leslie Hajiyev (Zack) and Jeremy Parton. Private graveside services will be held on Friday at Forest Memorial Park, Milton, WV with Pastor Don Weeks officiating. Burial will follow. A public funeral service for friends and family will be conducted at a later date. Henson and Kitchen Mortuary, 6357 East Pea Ridge Road, Huntington, WV near Barboursville are caring for the family. An online video tribute, condolences and memories may be viewed and shared with the family by visiting www.hensonandkitchen.com.

Cemetery Details

Forest Memorial Park

2240 US-60
Milton, WV 25541

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall



“ Henson & Kitchen Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary Lee Freeman



Henson and Kitchen Mortuary and Cremation Services - March 18, 2020 at 02:59 PM

AD



Amy Davis - March 19, 2020 at 12:03 PM

TN

Your father has been a tremendous influence in my life and so many others, from Little League, Scouts, to riding our bikes around Malcom Springs down that long road to the Freeman's house, to the morning talks at Hardee's.

Gary was always concerned about how my family was doing, he always ask about my kids, Susie, Mom & Dad and my sisters.

He would ask me about church and always tell my I was doing a god job. He would tell me he was proud of me.

Your father was a great example for me and a good friend, his love and compassion, his tremendous work ethic and his contribution to our community will go on for generations.

We love you and your family,

Troy & Susie

troy nicely - March 19, 2020 at 01:44 PM

CH

*Wonderful video of memories. We are praying for your family. We are available if there is anything you need. Will be checking on you.
Love and prayers,
Jerry & Carol*

carol hatfield - March 19, 2020 at 04:35 PM

KK

So sorry for your loss. He will be missed by many. Mom & I are sending our thoughts and prayers.

Kim Karnes - March 19, 2020 at 10:11 PM

MF

Thanks Troy, that's an extremely kind tribute to my Dad

Mark Freeman - March 19, 2020 at 11:49 PM

HE

*Joan
I am thinking about you, Gary and family during this time.
Remembering many occasions in the past.*

Helen - March 20, 2020 at 09:12 AM

PW

Joan, so sorry for your tremendous loss. Losing a spouse is always hard, and I pray for your comfort during this time. I always looked for Gary in Hardee's when I went in there talking with his friends. You and Gary bring back so many memories through out the years as I grew up. Love you and praying for you. ❤️🙏

Pauletta Wallace - March 22, 2020 at 09:03 AM



“ Gary Lee Freeman

October 23, 2023 at 01:49 AM

SC

“ We are sorry for the passing of Gary. We are praying for the family. Jim enjoyed his visits with Gary.

Sharon and Jim Clay - March 20, 2020 at 12:09 AM

AF

“ love all the pictures! Prayers for your family!
Sean and Amber Foster

Amber Foster - March 19, 2020 at 10:13 PM

Mel Weathersp

“ To the Freeman Family from the Farley Family ... our lives were intertwined for so many years as the kids of Malcolm Springs in the 70s and 80s begged to make the trip down that gravel road. We were softball players, football players, cheerleaders and majorettes ... we were friends, we were family. The saying "it takes a village" to raise children personifies what our childhood was like in those days. Gary was a huge part of our world. The quiet gentleman who was a role model to all of us. I remember his T-bird and always keeping it real. The most honest man I ever knew. My love to all of you. I know he is at peace and sitting at the feet of our Lord.



Mel Weatherspoon - March 19, 2020 at 08:09 PM

RW

“ So sorry to hear about Gary. Sending thoughts and prayers to you and your family
Ron and Carolyn Wright



Ron Wright - March 19, 2020 at 05:50 PM

FM

“ Dear Joan and Family,

Kim and I are so sorry in the passing of Mr Freeman. I loved your all your photographs in the video tribute. My Mom's brother, Ronnie Wright, is in the safety patrol picture with Mr Freeman. So many beautiful memories. We love you all.

*Sincerely,
Forrest and Kim Marshall*

Forrest Marshall - March 19, 2020 at 01:56 PM

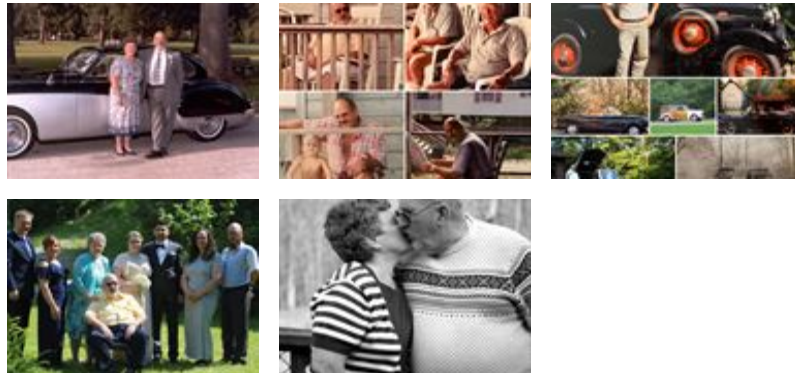
CU

“ my wonderful brother, and my best friend. i will miss you

carok underwood - March 18, 2020 at 11:45 PM



“ 66 files added to the album Life Tributes



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