



Gary Joseph Knotts

February 14, 1938 - October 15, 2021

Gary J. Knotts, 83, went to be with his Lord and Savior on October 15, 2021 at the Wapakoneta Manor with his wife and daughter by his side.

Gary was born on February 14, 1938 in New Hampshire, Ohio to the late Galen and Nevelyn (Jackson) Knotts. On July 9, 1977 he married Linda Cory, who survives along with their two daughters, Julie (Tony) Huelskamp, Wapakoneta, Ohio and Vicki (Eric) Janssen, Huntsville, Alabama. Also surviving is his brother, Jerald (Connie) Knotts, his sister, Colette (Bob) McGinnis, and his brother-in-law, James D (Marellan) Cory. He was blessed with 12 grandchildren, Joseph (Heather) Huelskamp, Emily (Kevin) Shappell, Troy (Mia) Huelskamp, Kristina (Chris) Donovan, Amanda (Perry) Washburn, Kelsey Janssen, Andrew (Carly) Janssen, Kaitlyn (Geoff) Gagat, Alexa Janssen, Kelli Janssen, Abby (Cory) Smith, and Bobbie (Tom) Hahne. He was also Gramps to 11 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son Matthew J. Knotts.

Gary graduated from Waynesfield High School and attended Kent State University. He worked at Warner Swazey and Gasdorf in Lima. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed building and flying remote control airplanes. He was a faithful member of Lima Community Church of the Nazarene, where he taught Sunday school, was a greeter and directed and participated in many Living Christmas Trees. He enjoyed attending and filming his grandchildren's events,

but most of all, he loved spending time with family and friends.

Visitation will be Tuesday, October 19, 2021 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. with a Celebration of Life to follow at 12 p.m. at Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta, with Pastor Doug Boquist officiating. Memorial contributions can be made to the Parkinson's Foundation or the Lima Community Church of the Nazarene. Private family graveside services of his cremated remains will be at a later date. Condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com. The family would like to thank Wapakoneta Manor for the wonderful care and compassion showed to Gary during his stay there.

Cemetery Details

Walnut Hill Cemetery

St. Rt. 385
New Hampshire, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **19**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory
1102 Lincoln Ave.
Wapakoneta, OH 45895
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com
<http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com>

Service

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Tribute Wall

LC

“ Linda: where do we start to talk of your Gary. He did what God commands of us all. Be kind, be loving, help those in need (and we are all in need), love your wife, give of your time. Thank you for sharing him..My Gary and I are forever

Linda Cook - October 19, 2021 at 11:28 AM

GS

“ So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. We will always carry him in our memories and hearts. We first met Gary back in the year 2000 when we moved in next door. Best neighbors ever! ❤️❤️ Thoughts and prayers to Linda and the Knotts family.... Goldie & Dennis

Goldie Stevens - October 18, 2021 at 08:10 PM

AF

“ Our deepest sympathy, love, and prayers to Linda and all your family. There have been many good memories through the years. Our love and prayers for each of you.
Sincerely,
Mr. and Mrs. Phil (Alice McName) Fisher and Family

Alice Fisher - October 18, 2021 at 02:46 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary Joseph Knotts.



October 17, 2021 at 04:31 PM

KW

“ Linda: We are so sorry for your loss. We will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers. Hugs to all of you.

Kathy and Randy Wallace - October 17, 2021 at 04:17 PM

SA

“ Colette, Jerry and Gary's wife and family
This is Suzanne (McPheron) Archer. A lot of fond memories came to mind of times on McPheron Road. My deepest sympathy and warmest thought are with you now.

Suzanne Archer - October 17, 2021 at 01:11 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Gary Joseph Knotts.



October 17, 2021 at 11:06 AM

FP

“ Linda and Family,
We were very sorry to learn the news of Gary's death. The love and devotion you shared with each other was so wonderful and was such an inspiration. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Deepest sympathy. Thinking of you...



Fred & Kathy Pepple - October 17, 2021 at 08:40 AM

DC

“ Dear Linda and family. You have my deepest sympathy and prayers. Gary was a wonderful man of God and I hold the memory of him especially at RFKC very dear. Denise Cook

Denise Cook - October 16, 2021 at 06:04 PM

TH

Linda, My deepest prayers go up for your entire family

Tina Helmstetter - October 16, 2021 at 06:30 PM



Dear Linda and family. Love and prayers to you and your family. I so appreciated the kindness and love that flowed from Gary and you as a team.

Kelley Jones - October 30, 2021 at 06:58 AM