



Gary LaRoy Rains

June 14, 1944 - July 28, 2023

Mooreville, NC -Gary L. Rains, age 79, of Mooreville, died Friday, July 28th, 2023, at home surrounded by his family.

Born June 14, 1944, in Hamilton, Ohio to Ova L. Rains and Cora Gill Rains, Gary grew up in Abington, Indiana. He was a 1962 graduate of Centerville High School. Gary worked at Dana Corporation in Hagerstown, Indiana for 21 years. In 1986, the family relocated to Orlando, Florida, where he worked for FMC Technologies until his retirement in 2007. Gary and Judy then moved to Mooreville, North Carolina with family where he lived out his final years. He loved golf, surf fishing and bass fishing. In his youth he hunted the fields around Abington with friends. He was known as an avid Notre Dame Football fan and followed the team his entire life. Gary always enjoyed spending time with family and friends, including special friends Bill and Sandy Goodwin, and Ron and Shirley Nickell.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents, Ova and Cora Rains, his in-laws Ralph and Bertha Lehman and his niece, Beth Lehman. Gary is survived by his wife of 58 years, Judy (Lehman) Rains, his sister Beverly (John) Menken of Rockford, IL, his daughters Pam (Gerry) Adams, Julie (Ken) Carson and Kris (Pat) Tinkley, all of Mooreville, North Carolina. He is survived by eight grandchildren, Lauren, Jeremy, Kara, Matthew, Joshua, Tyler, Max and Lydia, six great-grandchildren and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

A private burial will be in Abington Cemetery at a future date.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made in Gary's memory to the American Heart Association, 128 S Tryon St #1588, Charlotte, NC 28202 (heart.org) or the American Cancer Society, 1901 Brunswick Ave #100, Charlotte, NC 28207 (donate.cancer.org).

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, Mooresville, is serving the family of Mr. Rains. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Tribute Wall

KH

“ I’m so very sorry! I’m thankful to have so many wonderful memories with all of you over the years. Gary was a bonus Dad to me.

Thoughts, prayers, and love to all of you. I’m here if I can help with anything.

Karen Houser - August 03, 2023 at 12:52 PM

KS

“ Keith Simington lit a candle in memory of Gary LaRoy Rains



Keith Simington - August 01, 2023 at 03:11 PM

PM

“ Pooja Mishra lit a candle in memory of Gary LaRoy Rains



Pooja Mishra - August 01, 2023 at 08:49 AM

PM

Pam, I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Pooja Mishra - August 01, 2023 at 08:50 AM

PF

“ *Peg Foster-Lewis lit a candle in memory of Gary LaRoy Rains*



Peg Foster-Lewis - August 01, 2023 at 07:13 AM

PF

Pam, I am so very sorry to hear of the passing of your father. My heart goes out to you and your family. Know that you are in my prayers.

Peg Foster-Lewis - August 01, 2023 at 07:17 AM

SR

Pam, I'm so sorry for your loss! You and your family have been on my heart and will continue to be in my prayers! May God provide comfort during this difficult time and give you His Peace that passes all understanding. - Shelly Rappaport

Shelly Rappaport - August 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM

KJ

“ *Katrina Joines lit a candle in memory of Gary LaRoy Rains*



Katrina Joines - July 31, 2023 at 05:04 PM

FM

“ *Pam, I'm so sorry for your loss. May God bless you, and I am keeping your family in my thoughts and prayers. You are such an amazing person and I'm sure your dad was proud of you. - Felisia Martin*

Felisia Martin - July 31, 2023 at 04:50 PM

JA

“ I am so sorry to hear about Gary’s passing. You two were always there for me and did so much for me while I was living in Mooresville. I have such fond memories of our beautiful trips to the mountains. Gary was a devoted Christian and family man. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Jan - July 30, 2023 at 08:38 PM

CF

“ We are sorry to hear of Gary’s passing. He was a dedicated member of St. Marks, where we shared a pew with he and Judy. Gary was always willing to lend a hand with the HANDs group, Food for Days and trips to Cherokee. He will be greatly missed by many people.
Glenn and Carol Feiste

Carol Feiste - July 29, 2023 at 03:59 PM

GA

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you Judy and your girls. We are so sorry for your loss.

Gerry & Joan Adams - July 29, 2023 at 12:55 PM