



William Patrick Gatens II

February 9, 1946 - December 9, 2013

William Patrick Gatens, II, 67, of Bancroft passed away suddenly Monday, December 9, 2013 at Thomas Memorial Hospital, South Charleston, WV.

Born February 9, 1946 in Charleston, he was a son of the late William Patrick and Geraldine DeMotte Gatens and was baptized in the Catholic faith. He proudly served his country with the United States Army during the Vietnam War with the 173rd Airborne Brigade.

Pat was a retired operator/electrician with Monsanto Corporation, later known as Flexsys. He was a 1964 graduate of Poca High School where he excelled in sports, namely as a football center. He was a well-known outdoorsman and woodworker, with his handiwork on display throughout the Kanawha Valley and stretching to the Hampton Roads area of Virginia. He was also a member of VFW Post 9097, Teays Valley.

Surviving are his wife of 45 years, Bonnie Gatens; his children and their families, Patrick, Mary, William IV, James and Marley Gatens of Yorktown, VA; Vickie, Bobby, Evan and Elizabeth Beller of Poca; his sister, Ann Marie Dean of Bancroft; and his brothers and sisters-in-law, Gary and Deci Painter of Bancroft, Tye and Charlotte Painter of Hometown, Tink and Dena Painter of Beverly, WV as well as several nieces, nephews and many friends.

Funeral service will be held at 11am Thursday, December 12, 2013 at Chapman Funeral Home, 3624 Winfield Road, Winfield with Willard Beller officiating. Burial, with military honors, will follow in Showen Cemetery, Bancroft. The Holy Rosary will be said at 6pm Wednesday at the funeral home and visitation will follow until 9pm. You may visit www.chapmanfuneralhomes.com to share sympathies with the family.

Chapman Funeral Home, family-owned, is honored to serve the Gatens family.

Cemetery Details

Showen Cemetery

Showens Hill Road
Bancroft, WV

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 11. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Chapman Funeral Home, Winfield
12848 Winfield Road
Winfield, WV 25213
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Funeral Service

DEC 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *William Patrick Gatens II*

October 06, 2023 at 08:41 AM



“ *Pat was always such a sweet and kind hearted man. I went to school with both of his children and he was such an outstanding father and husband to Bonnie. I would see him around Poca and he always had a smile and loved to talk about his garden. His smile and wave will be missed. Prayers to his family.*

Angie Jones-Sharp - December 11, 2013 at 03:34 PM



“ *Anita Painter lit a candle in memory of William Patrick Gatens II*



anita painter - December 10, 2013 at 09:15 PM