



Dean L. Gearhart

August 20, 1950 - June 15, 2019

Dean L. Gearhart, age 68, of Huntington, died at 12:15 p.m. Saturday, June 15, 2019 at Wesleyan Health and Rehabilitation Center in Marion.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Preferred memorials are to Wounded Warrior Project, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana, 46750.

Dean was born on August 20, 1950 in Huntington, the son of Leo Gearhart and Irene (Sands) Miller. He served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War from 1967-1973 and he was a Silver Star recipient. He married Edith "Ede" Phillips on May 28, 1994 in Huntington and was a concrete worker for Brickley Construction. Dean was a member of American Legion Post #85 and VFW Post #2689 in Huntington and was an avid outdoorsman – he loved fishing, hunting, and camping. He enjoyed watching NASCAR and football.

Survivors include his wife of 25 years, Ede Gearhart of Huntington, daughters Chasity L. (Brett) Nartker of Fort Wayne and Cassie F. (David) Cobb of Huntington, a son, Butch L. (Melissa) Gearhart of Hartford City, five brothers, three sisters, nine grandsons, three granddaughters, and two great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, a brother, and a sister.

Tribute Wall

LA

“ *Lori & Amy lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart*



Lori & Amy - June 21, 2019 at 03:25 PM

RA

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart*



RandynDenton - June 21, 2019 at 06:07 AM

JA

“ *Hey Edde Cassi Butch Chasity im sorry for your loss*
Jason Anderson



Jason - June 20, 2019 at 04:54 PM



“ *Deb Bennett lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart*



Deb Bennett - June 19, 2019 at 09:00 PM

MS

“ *MOLLY Frank Strange lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart*



MOLLY Frank strange - June 19, 2019 at 05:18 PM

MS

“ *So sorry God bless*

MOLLY Frank strange - June 19, 2019 at 05:14 PM

CS

“ *Edde. I was so very sorry to hear of Deans passing. Know hes in Gods arms being cradled and healed. Take comfort knowing Dean is safe. Now is the time for you to take care of yourself. Take time. Do things your own way. Listen to your heart. Healing takes time. Miss you Sister. Love Chris Snider*

Christopher Snider - June 19, 2019 at 02:50 PM

KR

“ *ON BEHALF OF THE COMRADES AND SISTERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA YOU HAVE OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES FOR THE LOSS OF YOUR LOVED ONE AND OUR DEPARTED COMRADE.OUR PRAYERS ARE WITH YOU ALL.SINCERELY VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INDIANA STATE CHAPLAIN KEISTON R.HOLLOWAY*

KEISTON R.HOLLOWAY - June 19, 2019 at 12:46 PM

GS

“ Gary Schnitz lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart



Gary Schnitz - June 19, 2019 at 10:20 AM



“ Edie my friend, I am so sorry. Mike and I were just talking about going to see Dean. Prayers for God to hold you close and comfort you through this trying time. Remember, God is with you through this and He will be your strength. One of my best and worst memories of Deano was when he gave me some fashion advice. I showed up at the Eagles in what I thought was a pretty awesome dress and Dean called me off to the side and told me , being brutally honest, of course," sis, don't ever wear that dress again. It looks awful on you. It makes your hips look wide." I was so embarrassed but at the same time, glad that he told me what he really thought. Needless to say, when I got home, that dress went into a goodwill bag never to be worn by me again. That was Dean though, he might not always tell you what you wanted to hear but he was a good friend and wanted you to know the truth. He will be greatly missed.



Rita Marschand - June 19, 2019 at 08:00 AM



“ Dean is, was, and always will be one of the greatest men I've ever known



Donna Bowling - June 18, 2019 at 07:46 PM

KY

“ *Kate And Greg Yoder lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart*



Kate and Greg Yoder - June 18, 2019 at 04:45 PM



“ *Jeni Simon lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart*



Jeni Simon - June 17, 2019 at 07:17 PM

TC

“ *Rip dean he was one of a kind I met him thru a friend and he took me in like he had known me all my life him and Eddie help me find a job and didn't know me at all and we have been friends for 28 years I will miss seeing you dean when I come to Indiana I'm praying for you bird and the rest of his family oh yeah gonna miss his cooking love y'all*



tammy and kerry cox - June 17, 2019 at 06:39 PM

AS

“ *Angie&Diana Sands lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart*



Angie&Diana Sands - June 17, 2019 at 06:21 PM

BF

“ I'm so sorry for the loss of one of my old time friend. He was one of a kind.my thoughts and prayers to Edie and the family. May he rest in peace. ❤️❤️❤️

Brenda Storie fore - June 17, 2019 at 05:23 PM

SP

“ Sharon Phillips lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart



sharon Phillips - June 17, 2019 at 03:27 PM

KH

“ Kathy S Harper lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart



kathy s harper - June 17, 2019 at 03:26 PM

TS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



tanya smith - June 17, 2019 at 12:14 PM



Kate Marie

*We love you Edde Bird 🐦
Kate and Greg Yoder*

Kate Marie - June 18, 2019 at 05:07 PM



CJ

“ Charles Hall Jr lit a candle in memory of Dean L. Gearhart



Charles Hall Jr - June 17, 2019 at 10:30 AM