



Gary Richard Byrd

July 15, 1944 - December 30, 2025

Gary Byrd, age 81, passed away on December 30, 2025. He was born on July 15, 1944, and lived a life defined by hard work, love for family, and simple joys. Gary was the devoted husband of the late Kathleen Jasman, the love of his life. Father to Josephine (Gregg) Anderson, James Jasman Jr., and Rebecca Orzechowski. Grandfather of Kyle, Rachel (Jade), and Thomas, and great-grandfather of Damien. A lifelong carpenter, Gary had a true talent for working with his hands and took pride in building and fixing things himself. He later retired from the Detroit Medical Center, where his strong work ethic and reliability were well known. Gary loved to read and enjoyed spending his days puttering around his house, always finding something to tinker with or improve. Some of his favorite moments were spent at his cottage up north in Beverton, Michigan, where he found peace and contentment surrounded by nature. Gary will be remembered for his quiet strength, steady presence, and the deep love he had for his family and friends. He leaves behind many fond memories and will be deeply missed by all who knew him. A visitation will be held at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home 8459 Hall Rd. (3Blks E. of Van Dyke). Utica on Saturday (January 10th) from 12pm until the time of service at 4pm.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Utica
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317

Funeral Service

JAN 10. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MM

“ Gary and Kathy have been my next door neighbors for many years . I' loved having them there! Gary brought such joy into Kathy's life, I loved watching them walk down the sidewalk holding hands. I will miss them. Marilyn Marty

Marilyn L Marty - January 10 at 02:03 PM



“ Gary would always help my mom and watch for packages for us. We were good neighbors like that. It will be weird not seeing him going forward! God Bless you, Gary. Say hi to some folks up there for me!

Brian Schuel - January 08 at 02:27 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gary Richard Byrd.



January 07 at 12:21 PM

SD

“ Sincerest sympathies, Denise planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Richard Byrd.

Sincerest sympathies, Denise - January 07 at 12:21 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gary Richard Byrd.



January 07 at 12:04 PM



“ Your friends at Raval USA planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Richard Byrd.

Your friends at Raval USA - January 07 at 12:04 PM



“ Johnny Satkowski purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Gary Richard Byrd.



Johnny Satkowski - January 07 at 09:56 AM



“ Johnny Satkowski planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Richard Byrd.

Johnny Satkowski - January 07 at 09:56 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary Richard Byrd.



January 06 at 03:42 PM

SB

“ Stephen Byrd planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Richard Byrd.

Stephen Byrd - January 05 at 07:14 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gary Richard Byrd.



January 05 at 07:14 PM