



Mr. Max A. "Pat" Garrett

September 9, 1925 - January 12, 2014

Max A. "Pat" Garrett, 88, of Bluffton, went to be with the Lord at 8:15 a.m., Sunday, January 12, 2014 at Kindred / Meadowvale Health & Rehabilitation Center.

Pat was born September 9, 1925 in Liberty Center to N. Mount and Ada (Craig) Garrett. He married Lorene M. Ireland on January 11, 1947 in Covington, Kentucky. She preceded him in death on April 17, 2009.

Pat graduated from Liberty Center High School in 1943. He was a World War II Navy Veteran having served our country from 1943 to 1946. He was a self-employed construction contractor. Pat was also a School Bus Driver for Southern Wells Schools for 43 years.

Pat was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Bluffton, Liberty Center Lions Club, American Legion Post #111, and a life member of the V.F.W.

Pat is survived by two daughters, Laurie (Michael) Russell of Poneto, Michele Suman of Bryant, a son, Larry A. (Partner: Elaine Pratt) Garrett of Ossian, nine grandchildren, thirteen great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by a son,

Anthony Gray Garrett, a brother, Mike Garrett, two sisters, Ruba Jane Harris, and Mary E. Harris.

Calling hours are 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, January 16, 2014 at Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home and one hour prior to services Friday at the church. A service celebrating Pat's life will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, January 17, 2014 at the First Church of the Nazarene with Pastor Tim Miller officiating. Burial will be in Elm Grove Cemetery with military rites conducted by American Legion Post #111 and the U.S. Navy/Army Honor Guard. Preferred memorials are to the First Church of the Nazarene. Online condolences may be made at www.thomarich.com.

Cemetery Details

Elm Grove Cemetery

3500 East State Road 124
Bluffton, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 17. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Bluffton First Church of the Nazarene
1515 Clark Avenue
Bluffton, IN 46714

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Max A. "Pat" Garrett*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - January 12, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mr. Max A. "Pat" Garrett*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *My sympathy to you all during the time your dad's passing. He was a great person and I really enjoyed him at the church. He was always willing to do anything for anyone. He will be missed!*
Jane and Michael Lampman

Jane Lampman - January 28, 2014 at 10:07 AM



“ *My sympathy to the Garrett family. I have so many fond memories of Pat during my many teaching years at Southern Wells...the respected bus driver and solid SW supporter at athletic events...He was well loved in the SW community....God Bless you all at this sad time...*
Mrs. Sally Mittlestedt

Sally Mittlestedt - January 21, 2014 at 02:08 PM

CM

“ Larry, Laurie, and Michele, and Family, So sorry to hear of your Dad's passing. Talked to your Mom several times at the grocery about dishes we liked to cook. Later, I saw your Dad at the grocery and he seemed lost without her. I hope it gives you comfort to know they had so many years together. Could talk for days about LC and the Southern Wells community, but just wanted you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Wayne and Cindy McElhaney Monticue

Cindy Monticue - January 17, 2014 at 02:05 PM

RB

“ Pat and his dad, Mount, were so helpful to me as I began my teaching and coaching career at Liberty Center School. What great memories I have of Pat driving the team bus!!! My condolences to the family. Richard Butt

Richard Butt - January 17, 2014 at 12:46 PM

GB

“ Laurie, Michelle and family; the staff members of LifeBridge are all so very sorry to hear about the loss of your father. Our prayers are with you. Our condolences and sympathy. Gina Baumgartner, Program Director, LifeBridge

Gina Baumgartner - January 16, 2014 at 01:48 PM

RC

“ Was so sorry to hear of Pat's passing. He was a great friend to my Mom & Dad and was talked of very highly as a kid growing up. We will keep all of you in our prayers.

Roberta (Westfall) Carnahan

Roberta Carnahan - January 16, 2014 at 01:45 PM

RP

“The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you;
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.” -
Numbers 6:24-26

Praying for peace and comfort for all of you guys.

Robbie Perkins - January 16, 2014 at 10:38 AM

Jl

“Laurie, Mike, Drew and family you are in my thoughts and prayers in this difficult time. I have lost both a father and a grandfather. They are hard to give up, but they will always be with you in your thoughts and in your heart. I never had the pleasure of meeting him, but I have heard many loving stories from Drew. Joan Isenberg



Joan Isenberg - January 16, 2014 at 09:18 AM

DN

“So sorry for your loss my thoughts and prayers are with you and your families at this time of sadness.

Dana Nash - January 15, 2014 at 01:06 PM

DG

“My deepest sympathy for your loss. My best memory of Pat (and brother Mike) were sitting behind the basketball team at SWHS home games. They always were making comments that were hard to ignore and keep from laughing during the game. A great youth memory for me that I will always cherish.



Douglas Grover - January 14, 2014 at 04:38 PM

KH

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. My best memory of Pat was when he would get blessed in church, he would stand and lift his hands towards heaven. He loved the Lord with all his heart. He will be missed.



Kathy Mike Hershey - January 13, 2014 at 10:53 PM

 Connie Poulson Whitesell

“ So sorry for your loss. I was just thinking of your Dad the other day. Many wonderful memories of him as a man and a great bus driver glad my kids also got to have him for a bus driver they really liked him. Now he is at peace and with your Mom. Prayers for all the family.

Connie Poulson Whitesell - January 13, 2014 at 08:43 PM

MB

“ Laurie, Mike and family,
My deepest sympathy for your loss. Dads are so very special to daughters. I miss my Dad more each day. May God bring you a peace that surpasses all understanding. Our love and prayers are sent your way.

Mary Brichler - January 13, 2014 at 07:06 PM

KH

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. The thing I remember most about Pat is when he would get blessed in church. He would stand and lift his hands to heaven. We will miss you.

Kathy & Mike Hershey

Kathy & Mike Hershey - January 13, 2014 at 05:41 PM