



Robert E. "Bob" Gaunt

February 17, 1949 - July 5, 2009

Robert E. 'Bob' Gaunt, 60, of Bluffton, died at 12:15 p.m. Sunday, July 5, at his residence following a six-month battle with cancer.

Born Feb. 17, 1949 to Edward Bay and Norma Jane Davis, he was adopted by Larry Gaunt. He married the former Diana L. Baker in Sevierville, Tenn. Nov. 22, 1999. She survives.

A 1967 graduate of Bluffton High School, Mr. Gaunt was a United States Postal carrier for 37 years, retiring in 2004. A Vietnam veteran, having served in the Air Force, Mr. Gaunt was also a member of the American Legion Post #111 where he served on the Honor Guard for many years. He was an avid golfer.

In addition to his wife, survivors include two sons, Dusty (Martha) Gaunt, New Castle and Kelly "Scott" Gaunt of Spencerville; a step-daughter, Wendy (Joey) Hendricks of Bluffton; three sisters, Cindy Brown of Bluffton, Mary (Ron) Hillsmier of Wisconsin and Debra (Duane) Hill of Markle; a brother, Gregory "Greg" Gaunt of Indianapolis; two granddaughters, Riley Gaunt of Ossian and Jessica Hendricks of Bluffton and a grandson, Samuel Gaunt of New Castle.

Calling hours from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 9, at Thoma/Rich, Chaney & Lemler Funeral Home and one hour prior to services Friday at Bluffton First

United Methodist Church, 325 West Washington St. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. with Chaplain Craig Davis officiating. Burial will follow at Six Mile Cemetery.

Military Graveside rites will be performed by American Legion Post #111 and the U.S. Air Force Honor Guard.

Preferred memorials are to Family Hospice and Palliative Care.

Online condolences at www.thomarich.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 9. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich,Lemler Funeral Home
308 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN 46714
(260) 824-3850
info@thomarich.com

Visitation

JUL 10. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church
325 West Washington Street
Bluffton, IN

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Robert E. "Bob" Gaunt*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - July 05, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Robert E. "Bob" Gaunt*

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Diane, I am very sorry for your loss...
I remember Bob's sense of humor and his smile.... He will be greatly missed...
Love all of you....##imported-begin##Karol Gene##imported-end##*

July 15, 2009 at 01:24 PM



“ *Mary, Deb, Cindy and Greg: I am so sorry to hear of your loss.
Please accept my deepest sympathy. May God's love embrace you
and help heal the pain.*

*Sincerely,
Diane (Bertsch) Mason##imported-begin##Diane
Mason##imported-end##*

July 08, 2009 at 04:49 PM



“ *May the love of those around you help you through the days ahead. My thoughts and prayers are with you. I pray the love of God enfolds you during your difficult times and He helps you heal with the passage of time. With love and sympathy,
Cynthia###imported-begin##Cynthia (Gaunt) McMillan##imported-end##*

July 08, 2009 at 04:08 PM



“ *Dusty and Scott it deeply sadden us to hear of Bob's passing. I will always remember the good time we spent with your mother and father along with you boys many years ago now. Your Dad was one of the most friendly and kindest person I ever met.##imported-begin##Chad and Chuck Baller##imported-end##*

July 08, 2009 at 03:14 PM



“ Mary,

I think that I only bumped into Bob once after he got out of high school when he was working for the post office, but I never forgot who he was. His last year in Boy Scout Troop 140 was my first and we were in the same patrol. I think that he was the assistant patrol leader at that time. Somehow I even ended up with his first aid kit. We also played football together under coach Modlin. I watched Bob play varsity ball while I was on the freshman and JV teams. He was always a good guy and is another person from my past that I have never forgotten. I know that he will be sorely missed by those that knew him.

*Chris Andrews###imported-begin##Chris Andrews, BHS
1969###imported-end##*

July 08, 2009 at 08:44 AM



“ Diane and Family:

Please accept my condolences; I am praying for you and your family. I attended school with both of you, but haven't seen you in years...I last saw Bob at a garage sale at his home in Bluffton in the 90's. It's hard to believe he's gone.

*I keep up with Bluffton via The Banner on-line, and was recently in Bluffton visiting my 90 year old father and family for two weeks in late June; I now live in Carlsbad, CA near San Diego. I'll keep you in my prayers. Nancy###imported-begin##Nancy Reusser
Halstead###imported-end##*

July 08, 2009 at 02:36 AM



“ Bob was a friend as well as a classmate. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Keith Bowman##imported-end##

July 07, 2009 at 11:16 PM



“ Dusty and Family,

I'm very sorry to hear of your loss. My family is praying for yours.

The Tim and Jodi Smoot Family##imported-begin##Jodi
Studebaker Smoot##imported-end##

July 07, 2009 at 03:31 PM



“ Bob was a classmate to me. I enjoyed encounters with him thru the years as he was always a happy person and always loved to talk to you. He will be missed. With deepest sympathy. Linda##imported-begin##David & Linda (Overmier) Aker##imported-end##

July 07, 2009 at 12:15 PM



“ Scott,Dusty,and Family, I am sorry to hear about your Father. I only met him a couple times.He seemed Jolly the times we did talk. Our prayers are with you guys.##imported-begin##Larry Busche##imported-end##

July 06, 2009 at 06:15 PM



“ *Dusty and Scott,*
We're saddened to hear about Bob and believe that your mom and him will be watching over both of you and your families. Our prayers are for you to develop strength to pull through this. Love you guys, Brandan and Family##imported-begin##Brandan Heller and Family##imported-end##

July 06, 2009 at 05:18 PM