



Thomas Arthur Gilleran

July 14, 1941 - August 1, 2016

Thomas Arthur Gilleran, of Hot Springs, went to be with his heavenly Father on Monday, August 1, 2016.

Tom was born July 14, 1941 in Woonsocket, Rhode Island to Thomas C. and Nemea Gilleran. He survived a bout of polio at the age of twelve. A former all-state football player at Burrillville High School, Tom served twenty years in the Air Force. After meeting on Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Alabama, Tom married Barbara Hensley on August 20, 1966.

An active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, he was a member of Knights of Columbus, and Men of Mary. He worked many years for UPS and Munro & Company. He spent countless mornings fishing on Lake DeGray with his good friends. During retirement, he volunteered with Habitat for Humanity, The Caring Place and Jackson House. He didn't miss a Fountain Lake football game and ran the clock at Allen Tillery Field.

Tom was predeceased by his parents, Thomas and Nemea Gilleran; one sister, Phyllis Lavalley and his son, Paul Christopher Gilleran.

He is survived by his wife of almost fifty years, Barbara Gilleran; his brothers-in-law & sister-in-law, Harold "Cactus" Lavalley of Cleveland, Ohio and Ron & Fran Sublette of Hot Springs; two sons and daughters-in-law, Shawn & Michelle Gilleran of Conway and Tommy & Melody Gilleran of Hot Springs; six grandchildren, Seth, Matthew & Nicholas Gilleran of Conway, Sarah & Maddie Gilleran of Hot Springs and Dale (Lauren) Smith-Gilleran of Arkadelphia; one nephew, David Lavalley; two nieces, Susan Brady & Leigh Amick; special friends, Jon & Mary Vitro, Judy Smith, Brad, Kerry, Ben & Reece Turner and Raymond Turmane.

The Rosary will be held at 5:30 PM Wednesday August 3rd at St. Mary's Catholic Church, followed by visitation from 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

Services will be held at 10:00 AM Thursday August 4th at St. Mary's Catholic Church led by Father George Sanders and Brother Tim Forrest.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Habitat for Humanity, The Caring Place or Jackson House.

Tribute Wall

GL

“ I dont know if this will get to Barbara but if it does let her know we just found this out
9-28-23
We were thinking of you and looked you up and we found it had died. Love you
Paul and Glenda

Glendahbarley24@gmail.com - September 28, 2023 at 02:23 PM

RD

“ Tom was a great guy, a great Knight! He always greeted everyone with a smile and something humorous at meetings and other events! Worked a pancake breakfast with Tom last year, and we made coffee in a machine we were not familiar with. More water wound up on the floor of the kitchen than went in the pot, but through Tom's wit and humor, we made mopping up fun (or as fun as it could get!) Thoughts and prayers to Tom's wonderful family.
-Rick Dwyer

Rick Dwyer - August 04, 2016 at 01:22 PM

CC

“ It was with great sadness that Council 6419 members learned on August 01, 2016 that Tom had passed away. Tom was a beloved Council 6019 Member, a wonderful, loving and very generous Catholic man and honored American Patriot. He is greatly missed.

All our love, gratitude and sympathy,

Carole & Charlie Cook

Charlie Cook - August 04, 2016 at 08:11 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas Arthur Gilleran.



August 03, 2016 at 09:58 PM

JG

“ God bless you all. My prayers are with each and every one of the Gilleran family. He was a very special person and will be missed.

Jan Gray

Jan Gray - August 03, 2016 at 08:52 PM

MB

“ Sorry for your loss Thomas will be missed . R.I.P Mike Brandenburg

Mike Brandenburg - August 03, 2016 at 10:40 AM

KG

“ Barbara, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Our deepest sympathy, The Gregor Family, Frank & Beverly and Steve & Kathy.

Kathy Gregor - August 03, 2016 at 10:22 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas Arthur Gilleran.



August 03, 2016 at 09:46 AM

MG

“ May God keep the Gilleran family in the palm of his hand during this time. Our thoughts and prayers are extended. ~~Melissa and William Gray

Melissa Gray - August 02, 2016 at 10:48 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas Arthur Gilleran.



August 02, 2016 at 07:15 PM