



Jerry Lynn Gilman

January 2, 1958 - May 1, 2020

Jerry Lynn Gilman, 62, of Indianapolis, Indiana, passed away Friday, May 1, 2020 at his home. Born Thursday, January 2, 1958 in Indianapolis, he was the son of the late Vernon “Happy” Gilman and Lela Mae (Gooch) Gilman. His loving wife since April 1, 2001 is Debra Lynn (Hood) Gilman of Indianapolis. Jerry was a member of the 1976 graduating class of Arsenal Technical High School. He owned and operated Gilman’s Welding Service since 1980, and retired from Harding Poorman Group commercial printing in 2014. Jerry received the honor of a Kentucky Colonels Commission in May 1997. He proudly supported Indiana University Athletics, especially Hoosier basketball, and his favorite Major League Baseball team, the New York Yankees. The Indianapolis 500 was always important to Jerry and his family finds it especially poignant that he left this world during the famed Month of May. Not only did Jerry love all things Indiana, he also enjoyed his childhood summers in Kentucky with extended family. He leaves behind his cherished Aunt Jennie Goodpaster of Waynesburg, KY and several cousins. Those summers on the farm and at the family homestead gave him an appreciation of gardening, which was one of his favorite activities.

Jerry also leaves behind his beloved daughter, Lyndsay Kristin Gilman (Ward) and his son-in-law, William Hodges Ward, both of Indianapolis.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Steven Lewis Gilman, and his infant grandson, Thomas Hughel Ward.

A Celebration of Life will be held 1:00 P.M. Saturday, May 30, 2020 at Fall

Creek Church, 8901 Fall Creek Road, Indianapolis, IN 46256. A Visitation will be held 12:00 P.M. until service time begins.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions suggested to Arsenal Technical HS Alumni Association online at www.athsalumniassociation.com or by sending a check to P.O. Box 11433, Indianapolis, IN 46201.

Final care and arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 East Washington Street.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 30. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Fall Creek Church
8901 Fall Creek Road
Indianapolis, IN 46256

Celebration of Life

MAY 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

Fall Creek Church
8901 Fall Creek Road
Indianapolis, IN 46256

Tribute Wall

MP

“ Jerry was such a nice person and will be missed, We send Prayers Peace, Hope and Love to all of Jerry's family and friends.



Mark and Carmen Price - May 13, 2020 at 10:29 PM

KB

“ Deb so sorry for your loss of Jerry, sending prayers to you and family

Karen (Mertz) Byland - May 10, 2020 at 10:57 AM

JC

“ So so sorry to hear this, love and prayers 🥺💖🙏

Judy Doll Campbell - May 05, 2020 at 03:30 PM

CF

“ Deb, There are no words that really help heal a broken heart...Jerry isn't in pain anymore...that helps a lot. He was such a wonderful man to know...he had no enemies, everybody loved him. May God lay his healing hands upon you and all his family and friends as we grieve together RIH dear friend 💖🌷🙏

Cheryl Cole Fry - May 05, 2020 at 08:01 AM

SS

“ So very sorry to hear of the passing of Jerry, Deb you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.



starla steuerwald-Line - May 05, 2020 at 05:47 AM

DP

“ I will always value our messages on fb back and forth!! Plus our fond memories as classmates at Tech!! Rest in peace..Titan

Dr Bruce Pillow - May 04, 2020 at 10:37 PM

DH

“ Several conversations that were always great conversations, going all the way back to Tech High School. I had no clue he shared the exact birthday as my twin and I. Does any family out there know what hospital he was born in? Kevin and I were born at Coleman Hospital on West Michigan, now part of IUPUI campus. It would be interesting to learn that we all got our start in life at the same hospital.

David Van Horn

David Van Horn - May 04, 2020 at 10:28 PM

TG

“ I have so many great memories of Jerry...I could not begin to share them here. He was a significant part of my family. I will miss him terribly. He is gone too soon but I know he is rocking baby Thomas and catching up with his mom and his brother. Till we meet again...

Teresa Green - May 04, 2020 at 09:53 PM

AD

“ So sorry to hear this Deb! Such a Sweetheart. Gonna miss seeing him at the Tech get togethers. He was a trooper! Sending prayers and hugs for you and your family

Aggie Russell Dodd - May 04, 2020 at 08:39 PM

TG

“ Jerry Gilman has been my best friend for 50 years. We worked together not only at Northside Welding Co. but he worked with me at T Green Enterprises, Manufacturing Lamborghini Countach and 427 Cobra Replicas. He had mad skills! I also worked for him at Gilman Welding. We always were true to each other and he came through for me BIGTIME when I needed him most! I love Deb, Lyndsay and Bill and all of our mutual friends. You guys know! God Bless "MY BEST FRIEND!"

Travis Green - May 04, 2020 at 08:29 PM

GG

“ Deb so very sorry to here about Jerry!! He was loved more then you know!! He was a kind loving man. I very proud to have know him!!! Love and sympathy to you and the rest of the family !! Glenna Green

glenna green - May 04, 2020 at 06:36 PM

SP

“ So Sorry for the loss of a Classmate Jerry was a wonderful man Prayers to Deb & Family inthere time of his Passing. 💔🙏



Shirley & Miranda Powell - May 04, 2020 at 06:34 PM