



## Gary "Bubbs" Matrau

June 23, 1947 - October 1, 2022

Gary "Bubbs" Wayne Matrau, age 75, of Bloomingdale, MI passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loved ones on October 1, 2022. Gary was born June 23, 1947, in Watervliet, Michigan. He is preceded in death by his father, Gordon; mother, Wanda (Muth) Schause; stepmother, Doris Matrau; mother-in-law (best friend), Ann Pendergrass; sister, Sandi; sister-in-law, Gail; and brother, Johnny. Gary is survived by his wife and best friend for 29 years, Roxann (Pendergrass); sisters, Karen Matrau, Debra (late Peso) Pena; brothers, Frank (Marlene), Charlie, Matt and Jerry (Jean); daughter, Gari Matrau; four stepsons, Cory (Shelly) Clemons, Chastin (Nikki) Clemons, Darrick (Crystin) Clemons, Edwin "Bud" (Carrie) Stern; and stepdaughter, Deenie Stern; twelve grandchildren and three great grandchildren; as well as many nieces and nephews, his extended Pendergrass family and Buddy, his cat. Gary served in the US Army from 1965 until he was honorably discharged in 1968. During that time, he was stationed in the Saigon area where he was exposed to Agent Orange. He suffered much pain and discomfort with a long list of health issues that were in part due to this exposure. After his discharge, he was employed at Upjohn for 25 years as a chemical operator also playing softball for 10 years with his Upjohn family. He also worked for Quality Asphalt Paving, Coloma, Michigan, and for a short time on the Berrien County Sheriff's Department. Gary was an avid racing fan frequenting the Hartford Speedway. Anyone who knew Gary knows how much he loved his family. Spending time with his wife, kids, grandkids and extended family and friends was his favorite

thing to do. The loss of Gary has left a big hole in our lives, but he will always be with us because there is a little bit of him in all of us. At his request, no service will be held. Arrangements entrusted to the Bloomingdale Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

**Cremation**

# Tribute Wall



“ D.L. Miller Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary "Bubbs" Matrau



D.L. Miller Funeral Home - October 04, 2022 at 03:48 PM

DA

*Bubs you're going to be greatly missed by many . You and uncle Mac behave yourselves up there watching over us. My dearest condolences to the family. From Daniel Avila*

Daniel Avila - October 06, 2022 at 08:15 AM

WS

*that was great*

ward slates sr - October 06, 2022 at 07:17 PM

TK

*Wonderful tribute. Sorry for your loss 🥹*

Terry Key - October 06, 2022 at 09:12 PM

RM

*Sorry this has taken me so long but I want to thank you for the beautiful words about my husband.*

Roxann Matrau - October 26, 2022 at 09:09 AM

BC

*Great video of and old friend i went to high school with in Watervliet showing his love for his family and his zest for life. You might be gone but you will never be forgotten. R.I.P. old friend.*

BILL & FAY CHILDS - December 31, 2022 at 04:19 PM

SM

“ I just learned of Gary's passing. So sorry for the loss of this wonderful man. I thoroughly enjoyed our conversations over the years when I worked in Kalamazoo and so glad I got to know him in his own backyard. RIP dear man!



Sue Muinch - October 21, 2022 at 01:56 PM

RM

Sue, Thank you. You have no idea how much you helped Gary. i

Roxann Matrau - October 26, 2022 at 09:11 AM

GM

“ Dad this took me a long time to post something on here. I do talk to you everyday. You were my everything since I was born. You stood up for me, you took care of me, you loved me so much we were always together growing up. Our vacations, baseball games, late night shopping. These pass days with you was something I had a hard time with but I got to be with you until the end. When I meet you up there someday I am going to give you the biggest hug ever. I love you daddy give grandma Muth a big kiss for me and tell her I love her dearly. Grandma P as well!!! Your in good hands with god. Love you so much



Gari Jayne Matrau - October 10, 2022 at 03:09 PM

RM

GJ. You will always be in your father's heart.

Roxann Matrau - October 26, 2022 at 09:11 AM

PI

“ R I P friend, see you on the other side.

Pat mcGuire Irving - October 06, 2022 at 06:34 PM

RM

*Thank you so very much.*

Roxann Matrau - October 26, 2022 at 09:11 AM

MW

“ Mike And Judy Wells lit a candle in memory of Gary "Bubbs" Matrau



Mike and Judy Wells - October 06, 2022 at 10:26 AM

MW

“ To Roxy And Family: So sorry to hear of Garys passing. We were so lucky to know Gary, what a great happy go lucky guy. He will be truly missed by so many that knew him. Knowing him through family get togethers, racing and just all the times we would see him he was just a wonderful person to talk too. He will be missed by us but we have great memories of him. Our hearts go out to you Roxy and family. Mike and Judy

Mike and Judy Wells - October 06, 2022 at 10:25 AM

RM

*Thank you Mike and Judy for the kind words. Gary was definitely a wonderful person and will always be in many people's hearts.*

Roxann Matrau - October 26, 2022 at 09:14 AM

NC

“ *Roxy and family so sorry to hear the loss of Bubba, My thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. He will be missed by so many . RIP Bubba*

Nancy Cordero - October 05, 2022 at 10:45 PM

RM

*Thank you Nancy. What nice words from you. Hope to see you when you come back this way.*

Roxann Matrau - October 26, 2022 at 09:15 AM

NC

“ *Nancy Cordero lit a candle in memory of Gary "Bubbs" Matrau*



Nancy Cordero - October 05, 2022 at 10:36 PM

RM

*Thank you.*

Roxann Matrau - October 26, 2022 at 09:15 AM



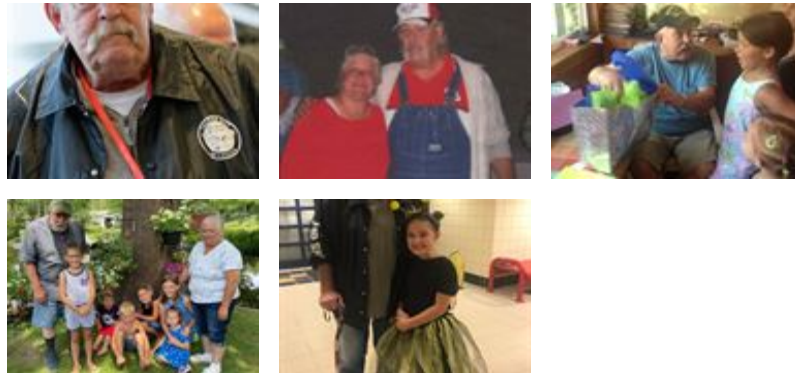
“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gary "Bubbs" Matrau.*



October 05, 2022 at 09:13 PM



“ 35 files added to the album LifeTributes



D.L. Miller Funeral Home - October 04, 2022 at 03:36 PM

TS

“ Sorry for your loss. Gary was always very kind and had such a huge heart and He always made it very clear his family meant the world to him. Hugs and prayers to all of you.

Trini Stern - October 04, 2022 at 02:30 AM

WT

What a great man he like to have fun and was a great father his daughter was his number one of his life

Waunetta Trolard - October 04, 2022 at 07:25 PM

RM

Thank you Waunetta. You knew Gary before I did so you know he liked to have fun. He was that way right up till he couldn't anymore. I appreciate your memories.

Roxann Matrau - October 26, 2022 at 09:19 AM

RM

Trinia, I'm not sure I can't post under your comment but you are right Gary always cherished his family Thank you for sharing your memories.

Roxann Matrau - October 26, 2022 at 09:21 AM