



Johnny Martin Gibbons

November 12, 1939 - July 22, 2022

John Martin, “Johnny”, Gibbons

Johnny Gibbons, age 82 of The Villages, Florida passed away suddenly, Friday, July 22, 2022. Johnny was born in Brooklyn, NY. He was married to Margaret, “Meg” Gibbons for 56 years until her death in 2021. Johnny & Meg raised their four children: Terrence (Linda), Jennifer (John), Joann (Paul) and Judith (Edward) in Travis, Staten Island from 1971-2004. He is survived by his children, eight grandchildren, his sister Mary Kestler, his brothers P.Bryan(Sheila), Stephen and more favorite cousins than one could count. Johnny graduated from St. Francis Prep High School. In 1960, John enlisted in the US Army and was a member of the Military Police in Fort Dix, NJ. After completing his military service he earned a Bachelor’s Degree from John Jay College of Criminal Justice. He continued to educate himself as a lifelong learner and was a skilled chess player.

He was a Sergeant with the NYPD serving in numerous precincts in Brooklyn and Staten Island. Following his retirement from the NYPD, he became the Assistant Vice President & Manager of Corporate Security at Lehman Brothers.

In his retirement years he learned to play the drum and was a member of The Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh Irish Marching Band. He participated in numerous St. Patrick’s Day Parades including many marches down 5th Avenue and one in Dublin, Ireland.

Upon his move to Florida he was an active member of the American Legion

Post 347 where he dedicated the past 20 years in selfless service to US Veterans on numerous fronts. He held such positions as: member of the "40 * & 8", The Honor Guard, and Post Commander.

He was the sole caretaker for his wife, Meg, until her passing. His greatest pride was his family. He will be remembered for his incredibly quick wit, his sense of humor, his love of Ireland, Irish music and his selfless dedication to serving veterans.

Services will be at Beyer Funeral Home and Crematorium, The Villages - Lady Lake, 134 N US HWY 441, Lady Lake, FL 32159. Viewing Wednesday, July 27, 2022 from 3-5PM. Military Honors at 5PM. Interment at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell at a later date.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made in Johnny's name to : Veterans Memorial Post 347, PO Box 1534, Lady Lake, Florida 32158.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 27. 5:00 PM (ET)

Beyers Funeral Home & Crematory - Lady Lake
134 N US Highway 441
Lady Lake, FL 32159
(352) 753-4444

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Johnny Martin Gibbons*



Beyers Funeral Home - July 26, 2022 at 07:35 AM

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“ *Terrence, Jennifer, Joann & Judith.*

Katie, the boys, Mom & Dad Ali and I are terribly saddened to hear about the passing of your dad. He was extremely gracious to all of us Prices Lane kids growing up.

I always remember going for rides in his “new” cars, camping in the Jayco J Dove, and the valuable talks that he and I shared as I grew older. My mother remembers him and your mom babysitting for me and I wouldn’t let him near me so he documented the stay with his camera!!!! Pictures we still have.

He will be remembered by me for his quick Irish wit and his chuckle laugh forever.

May the good Saint Patrick bless you and keep you in his care and may our Lord be near you to answer every prayer.

Rest in Eternal Peace Mr. Gibbons.

ROBERT RONNE - July 26, 2022 at 06:50 AM