



Robert Lee Gutermuth

July 11, 1929 - June 4, 2018

Robert Lee Gutermuth, Sr., "Bob," 88, of Fruitland Park, formerly Gainesville, passed away June 4th, 2018; surrounded by his loving family. A man of many words, family and friends will remember Bob for his extreme kindness, generosity and wry sense of humor. Bob didn't know a stranger and touched the hearts and lives of all he would meet, all of whom he considered his friends.

Born on July 11, 1929 in Kenosha Wisconsin, to Susan Bertha (Leipzig) and Harry Conrad Gutermuth, he was the oldest of 3 children. Bob enjoyed a childhood in Pennsylvania and entered the Army-Air Corps in 1947, serving his country during the Occupation of Japan. Upon return from his military service in 1951, he met and married Gloria Ann Krase, and together they had and raised 8 children. Bob was a devout Catholic and raised his children to follow the teachings of Christ, as he led their faith by example.

Bob was preceded in death by his son, Erich John Gutermuth; a brother Harry Gutermuth; Parents Susan Gutermuth, and Harry Conrad Gutermuth, and his uncle George Gutermuth.

Bob is survived by his children Lisa Jo (Robert) Heiderman of Fish Creek Wi; Susan Denise (Richard) Polangin of Tallahassee, FL; Robert Lee (Sherry) Gutermuth of St Charles, Mo; Jeanine Kimberly (Charles) Russell of Albany Ky; Mary Theresa Templeton (Bill Ponko) of Fruitland Park FL; Annemarie Juliette (Bryan) Hooper of Citrus Springs, FL; and Stephanie Louise (Thomas) Glass of Crystal River, FL. Bob is also survived by sister Carol Grimes of

Homosassa, 19 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren; 8 nieces, 2 nephews and former wife and mother of all his children, Gloria Johnson of Galesburg, IL.

A visitation will be held on Wednesday, June 6, between 6-8 PM with a prayer service at 7 PM at Beyers Funeral Home, 1123 W Main St, Leesburg, FL. A Catholic funeral mass will be held on Thursday June 7 at 10am at St. Paul's Catholic Church at 1330 Sunshine Ave, Leesburg, FL., followed by burial, with military honors, held at the Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL. Bob said in lieu of flowers, send donations to gofundmyfuneral.com.

Tribute Wall

MA

“ I love you so much Dad, and I always will. I'm so blessed that God chose you to be my father. I'm glad that you're surrounded by so much light and love now, and that your suffering has ending. You taught me so much, I'll try to continue to live my life in a way that honors your legacy and will make you proud. I miss you!! Xoxo

Love,
Your daughter Mary Theresa

Mary - June 09, 2018 at 01:04 PM



AS

“ He was a nice and generous man. I helped him out quite a bit with his needs. I loved his sense of humor, it reminds me of my dad too.

Austin Schenkel - June 06, 2018 at 10:22 AM



DR

“ With deepest sympathy for your loss. God Bless you and your family.

Dena Rieken - June 06, 2018 at 09:32 AM



SO

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. My you find comfort and hope in the bible's promise at Acts 24:15.*

SO - June 06, 2018 at 06:30 AM

AH

“ *Thanks for teaching me about life. I will always remember you fondly and your spirit lives on in your kids and grandkids. I love you, Dad.*



Annemarie Hooper - June 05, 2018 at 10:33 PM

CB

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Uncle Bob was such a nice man. I know that many people were there to greet him at heaven's door including my Dad (Harry). I hope that you can find comfort in knowing he has the company of the loved ones who were waiting for him. I love you cousins and you will be in my thoughts and prayers.*



Cheryl Gutermuth Barnett - June 05, 2018 at 04:40 PM

JW

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. So sorry for your loss.*

Love,

Your Fair Havens Christian Village family

Jennifer West - June 05, 2018 at 12:13 PM

KA

“ *My prayers are being sent to Bob, Sherry and all the Gutermuth family,*



Kathy Abel - June 05, 2018 at 12:11 PM

JM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.*



James Mastaler - June 05, 2018 at 11:40 AM