



Robert E. Lightfoot

June 23, 1945 - June 10, 2020

Robert E "Gene" Lightfoot, age 74, of Belleview, Florida passed away at his home surrounded by his family on June 10, 2020. He was born June 23, 1945 to Harry Mitchell and Esther (Bennett) Lightfoot in Leesburg. Gene had two brothers, William Thomas "Bill" and Harry Mitchell "Mike". His family attended Mainstreet Baptist Church. Gene grew up in Leesburg and graduated from Leesburg High School, marrying his high school sweetheart, Alene Ruth (Pease) and raised two beautiful daughters, Lori Ilene Lightfoot-Whitaker and Leigh Ann Watts (married to Rick Watts). Gene and Alene were blessed to have celebrated 52 years of marriage. His life's work was commercial electrical construction with Plaza Electric and retiring after 37 years from Lenhart Electric.

In 2003, Gene and Alene moved to Belleview and he enjoyed working part-time at the family business, Beneficial Hearing. In the same year, they became members of Trinity Baptist Church of Ocala and loved being involved in their church ministries and cruising with their church family.

Gene's greatest joy was spending time with his two grandsons, John Robert Whitaker (17) and Albert English Watts (14). In retirement, Gene and Alene enjoyed traveling. Gene took great pride in his cabin in the Ocala National Forest. He loved restoring cars and was an avid fisherman most of his life. Services will be held at Trinity Baptist Church of Ocala on 6/17/20. Viewing at 10 AM and service at 11 AM. Graveside service will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Leesburg. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made

to the Journey Building Fund at Trinity Baptist Church.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Lady Lake, FL. Online condolences may be left at www.BeyersFuneralHome.com

Tribute Wall

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Jim Fish - September 05, 2020 at 12:09 PM

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Jim Fish - September 05, 2020 at 10:26 AM

KS

“ *I pray God will comfort you and your family now and the days to
come. I am so sorry for your loss and send my heartfelt sympathy.*

Kay Carlton Swain - June 22, 2020 at 10:09 AM

JP

“ *I will remember our families feeding the homeless together at
Interfaith and our chats together with them and our families. Rest in
peace faithful servant.*

Jennifer Posey - June 16, 2020 at 03:24 AM

JC

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Julie Faith Cubbedge - June 15, 2020 at 02:01 PM

LC

“ *Alene and family.....We were so saddened to hear of Gene's unexpected passing. We are so very sorry for your loss and send our most heartfelt sympathy. Gene was a kind and Godly man who will be forever missed. Prayers for all of you that God may wrap his loving arms around you and bring you comfort. In love and friendship....Larry and Linda Carter*

Larry & Linda Carter - June 15, 2020 at 09:46 AM

KP

“ *Kay and I send our sincere condolences to Alene, Lori, Leigh Ann and other members of the Lightfoot family. I remember the many fishing trips to Sanibel Island with our kids when they were young. I remember closing in their carport and making a room out of it on Lone Oak Drive. What wonderful times we had gathering with each other. I remember Westside Baptist Church and Main St. Baptist Church. I remember Gene's Model A car. Just so many wonderful memories. God bless each of you. We will miss him and think of him often.*

Ken and Kay Padgett - June 13, 2020 at 07:10 PM