



Gary Kemp

April 30, 1947 - March 10, 2025

Gary "Butch" Kemp, 77, of Bradley, passed away peacefully on Monday, March 10, 2025.

Gary was born on April 30, 1947, in Kankakee, the son of Leroy Kemp and Mary (Rapier) Kemp. He married Carol Dubuque on October 12, 1996, in Bradley.

He was in the United States Army. Gary enjoyed bowling, racing, NASCAR, and watching the Chicago Cubs. He also liked to cook, BBQ, and work in the garage on stock cars for racing.

Gary is survived by his wife, Carol Kemp of Bradley; sons, Roger Kemp of Bradley, Gary Kemp Jr. of Bradley; brothers, Mark (Sharon) Kemp of Union Hill and Alan (Beth) Kemp of Kankakee; sisters, Debbie (Paul) Ray of Bourbonnais, Marsha VanGilder of Bradley, and Cheryl (Dave) Pearce of Manteno, and Lisa (Bob) Williams of Chebanse; sisters-in-law, Julie Johnson of Temecula, California, Jeanne Walters of North Hollywood, California; brothers-in-law, Elden (Mary) Dubuque of McHenry, and Ed Vigila of Kankakee; grandchildren, Dakota Wright and Amanda Wright of Lawrenceville; two great grandchildren; as well many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his first wife, Mary Lee Kemp; parents, Leroy and Mary (Rapier) Kemp; sister, Sue Viglia and brothers-in-law, Terry Turrell and Fred VanGilder.

Visitation will be held Friday, March 21, 2025, from 3:00 PM until the memorial service at 7:00 PM at Jensen Funeral Home in Kankakee.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Bradley Vet Clinic or the family.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 21. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Jensen Funeral Home
3639 EAST State Route 17
Kankakee, IL 60901
jensenfuneralhomes@yahoo.com

Funeral Service

MAR 21. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Love Chris, Victoria and Mason Curtis purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Gary Kemp.



Love Chris, Victoria and Mason Curtis - March 16, 2025 at 04:26 PM

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“ Butch was one of the best neighbors we've ever had when you needed help. You just made a phone call and he was right there. We are going to sadly miss Butch and Carol. You want married a wonderful man.

Sally Tracy - March 16, 2025 at 02:06 PM

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“ Deborah Regnier lit a candle in memory of Gary Kemp



Deborah Regnier - March 14, 2025 at 01:27 AM