



Harold "Harry" Gillespie

May 17, 1939 - April 29, 2021

Harold "Harry" Gillespie, age 81, of Manteno passed away Thursday, April 29, 2021 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee. He was born May 17, 1939 in Elmhurst, the son of John & Ruth (Nichols) Gillespie. Harold married Gloria Stigter on July 27, 1963 in Chicago.

Harry worked as a Supervisor of Beaches and Pools for the Chicago Parks Department. He had also worked in Real Estate until his retirement in 2008. He was a member of the USLA. Harry was active and instrumental in starting the swimming events of the Special Olympics in Chicago. Harry was a talented woodworker. Most of all, he enjoyed being with his family and friends. He was a very outgoing person.

Harry was a veteran of the United States Army.

Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Gloria Gillespie of Manteno; one son and daughter-in-law, Matthew & Sandy Gillespie of Chicago; three grandchildren, Jim Gillespie, Sarah Gillespie, and Carolyn Gillespie; one step-brother, John & Karen Schueler of FL; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. Harry is preceded in death by his parents; one sister; three brothers; and one stepsister.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until the time of the 2 p.m. funeral service on Saturday, May 8, 2021 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Manteno.

Cremation rites will be accorded following the service.

Private family inurnment will be held at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation or the Michael J. Fox Foundation.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 8. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Manteno - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Funeral Service

MAY 8. 2:00 PM (CT)

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