



Ronald Eugene Gomillion

May 22, 1956 - April 20, 2024

Ronald Eugene “Gene” Gomillion, 67, of Ocala, FL, passed away at his home with his loving wife Patricia York by his side on Saturday, April 20, 2024, at 7:45 p.m. after a courageous battle with colon cancer.

Gene was born May 22, 1956, to Howard Lee and Alfreda “Goldie” Gomillion and was the youngest of 11 children. A lifelong resident of Ocala, he graduated from Vanguard High School.

Gene built a successful life doing what he loved: mowing lawns, building and flipping homes, and working for the Marion County School Board. He was most proud of working as the Maintenance Supervisor for Vanguard High School, especially since he graduated from the school.

Gene met his wife, Pat, in 1985, and together, they raised Pat’s two children, Kristin and Danny.

Gene was devoted to his family, immensely proud of his kids, and adored his wife with unconditional love like none other. He was a collector of antique cars and corvettes. Of the many

antique automobiles he owned, Gene loved his mint green 1955 International pick-up truck and Ford Model A the most. He was a Corvette enthusiast and owned a 2012 silver Grand Sport Corvette at the time of his passing. This was his dream car. In addition to restoring vehicles, Gene had a passion for antique gas pumps. He cherished time restoring and fixing the pumps to bring them back to their original glory. On any given weekend, Gene could be found working on his cars and gas pumps, sitting on his porch swing smoking cigars with his best friend, Dale Miller, and telling stories about "old Ocala." He loved everything about growing up and living in Ocala and was proud to call it home. Gene is preceded in death by his mother, Goldie; his father, Howard; brothers Jimmy Gomillion, Wilbur Gomillion, Jerry Gomillion, and Royce Gomillion; and sisters Dianne Reeves, Mayvelling Riley, and Judy Gomillion. He is survived by his wife, Patricia York; children Kristin McCaffrey (Mike) and Daniel York (Christie); grandchildren Riley Richardson, Emmy York, and Batey York; his brothers Robert Gomillion (Harriet), Rocky Gomillion (Valerie), and William Gomillion (Linda); and many nieces and nephews. Gene will be remembered for his kindness and willingness to help anyone, especially his family and close friends. He was generous, loyal, strong, and full to the brim with knowledge gained through his life experiences: landscaper, business owner, landlord, contractor, and maintenance

supervisor – he could fix or build anything. He gave everything to fight his battle against cancer and will be missed dearly.

Family and friends are welcome to attend a Celebration of Life at the family home on Saturday,

May 18, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the

American Cancer Society at <https://www.cancer.org/>. You may also visit Roberts Funeral Home

at <https://www.robertsfunerals.com/obituaries/> to share a special memory, story, or comforting message.

Tribute Wall

RL

“ It was great pleasure working with Gene at Vanguard. When I was transferred there, Gene immediately made me feel welcomed and promised to help me anyway he could. He never failed on that promise. We became good friends, not only in working, but in life outside of school. May he rest in well-deserved peace. I know his memory will live on on the halls of VHS.

Rick Lankford

Rick Lankford - May 14, 2024 at 11:47 AM

JS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jan Schumacher - April 28, 2024 at 05:47 PM

SC

“ Dear Pat and Family, My heart breaks for all of you. It is so difficult to have a family member taken away, especially with cancer. Know that you are in my thoughts and prayers as you face the challenges of the upcoming days. Remember that I am a sister and am available to help in any way that I can. Susie Connor

Susan Connor - April 24, 2024 at 03:27 PM

AO

I just heard about Gene.. MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY GOES OUT TO THE FAMILY.. I WORKED WITH GENE AT VANGUARD AND ALSO WHEN HE WAS ON THE LAWN CREW .. TONY OLLISON

Antonio Ollison - May 30, 2025 at 07:27 AM

JJ

“ Gene will be missed in this world-“I have fought the good fight- I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Timothy 47
My last time with Gene he was showing me a picture of an older gas pump he was preparing to restore- you will be missed but you have left behind fond memories-
Pat my sincere condolences and I know you will be strong with the help of family and friends.

janet johnson - April 24, 2024 at 11:41 AM