



## James W. Gary

October 6, 1935 - February 13, 2025

It is with saddened hearts that we announce the passing of James W. Gary on Thursday February 13, 2025, at his home surrounded by loved ones. He was born October 6, 1935 in Donegal a son of the late Kenneth and Nora Hostetler Gary. Jim was a graduate of the former Ramsay High School in Mt. Pleasant with the class of 1951. He retired as a Truck Driver having worked for Charley Brothers and then SuperValu after 33 years of service. He was a member of the Mt. Zion Lutheran Church in Donegal, the Chestnut Ridge Lions Club, and his coffee club, The Over the Hill Gang. Jim enjoyed NASCAR racing, hunting, fishing, camping, and also loved watching the Pittsburgh Steelers and Pirates. Jim will be sadly missed but fondly remembered by his loving family, his wife of 69 years Mardelle Sleasman Gary, his children David Gary and wife Maryjane of Stoystown and Donna Leaper and husband Bob of Acme, his grandchildren Bobbie Jo Sloan and husband Shawn of Latrobe, Jennifer Fritizus and husband Bill of Uniontown, and Brad Gary and wife Morgan of California, his several great grandchildren, his sister Rose Marie Queer and husband James of Ligonier, his brother Richard Geary of Arizona, his brother-in-law Robert Kalp of Donegal, and several nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents Jim was predeceased by his sister Ruth E. Kalp. The family would like to thank Amedisys Hospice for all of their wonderful care given to Jim during his illness.

Family and friends will be received Monday from 4-6 PM in the Mark C. Brooks Funeral Home Inc., at the corner of Route 711 and 146 Municipal

Building Rd., Melcroft (724-455-2310) where a Funeral Service will be held Tuesday at 11:00 AM, with Pastor Keith Deckinger officiating. A Committal Service and interment will follow in the Donegal Cemetery. In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to the Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, 194 Main St., Donegal, PA 15628, in memory of James W. Gary To leave a message or send condolences please visit our website at [www.brooksfhmelcroft.com](http://www.brooksfhmelcroft.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Donegal Cemetery

Donegal, PA PA

# Previous Events

## Receiving of Family and Friends

FEB 17. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Mark C. Brooks Funeral Home, Inc.  
146 Municipal Building Rd  
Melcroft, PA 15462  
(724) 455-2310  
<https://www.brooksfhmelcroft.com>

## Service

FEB 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Committal Service

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FEB 18 (ET)

Donegal Cemetery  
Donegal, PA PA

*The committal service will follow directly after the Funeral Service*

# Tribute Wall

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**Mike Rolla** - February 15, 2025 at 08:54 PM

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“ Mike and Theresa Rolla purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of James W. Gary.



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**Mike and Theresa Rolla** - February 15, 2025 at 04:10 PM

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“ Mike and Theresa Rolla planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James W. Gary.

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