



Gary Francis Raupers Sr.

July 11, 1942 - February 16, 2018

. Gary Francis Raupers Sr., 75, of 3156 Hornbrook Road, Towanda, PA passed away Friday morning, February 16, 2018 at the Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre, PA. Gary was born July 11, 1942 at the Robert Packer in Sayre, PA, the son of Charles J. Raupers and Margaret Vallilee Raupers. Throughout his childhood, Gary enjoyed spending time with his brothers and the Ulster community, singing and yodeling to neighbors and the elderly. He attended Athens High School and began his working career at Kennedy Valve also working part-time at the Arnot-Ogden Hospital both in Elmira, NY. During the 1960's, Gary was employed by the Ingersoll-Rand in Athens, PA. He later moved to Florida where he owned and operated his masonry business for a number of years and subsequently returned to Bradford County to continue his trade as a stone mason working on numerous commercial and private projects until the time of his passing.

Gary enjoyed spending time playing in the Ulster softball league and spending time outdoors with friends and family.

Gary was a communicant of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Ulster for many years where he served as caretaker. Following the church closure, Gary transferred his membership to Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Towanda where he served as a Eucharistic Minister, altar server, and was a member of the church Pastoral Outreach Committee as well as the area charismatic prayer group.

Gary was a devoted advocate for the lonely often visiting the elderly in private

home and elderly homes.

Gary and his children would sing and provide company to everyone they visited.

Gary was also an honored member of the Ulster-Sheshequin Volunteer Fire Company for over 50 years of service.

During his later years, he was an active member of the Notre Dame High School Community in Elmira, NY, where we loved to watch his children play sports and perform in plays and other activities.

Gary was a friend to everyone he met and lived to bring a smile to all faces.

His family includes his wife, Wendi Raupers, 6 children, Benita Wheeler and husband Bruce of Towanda, Rose Beale and husband J of Milan, Jason Scott and wife Suzanne of Goose Creek, SC, Stanley Scott Jr. and wife Allyson of Charleston, SC, Alexandra Grace Raupers and Gary Francis Raupers II both of Hornbrook, PA, several grandchildren and great grandchildren, brothers, Charles F. Raupers and wife Ann of Hornbrook, Gale K. Raupers and wife Barbara of Ulster,

Joseph H. Raupers and wife Sylvia of Ulster as well as several nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

In addition to his parents, Gary was predeceased by his brother, Wayne E. Raupers on January 7, 2002.

The family will receive friends Friday, February 23, 2018 from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home 217 York Ave. Towanda, PA.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday, February 24, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

at SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Third St., Towanda, PA.

Burial will be in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Ulster, PA.

The family suggests that contributions may be directed to Notre Dame High School, 1400 Maple Ave., Elmira, NY 14904 in memory of Gary Francis Raupers Sr. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Immaculate Conception Cemetery

Ulster, PA 18854

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home
217 York Ave.
Towanda, PA 18848
(570) 265-2272
info@bowenfuneralhomes.com

Service

FEB **24**. 10:00 AM (ET)

S.S. Peter & Paul Roman Catholic Church
106 Third Street
Towanda, PA 18848

Tribute Wall



“ Gary Francis Raupers Sr.

October 22, 2023 at 08:10 PM



“ Gary Francis Raupers Sr.

October 08, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ Gary Francis Raupers Sr.

October 06, 2023 at 09:57 AM



“ Gary Francis Raupers Sr.

October 06, 2023 at 03:29 AM



“ Gary Francis Raupers Sr.

October 05, 2023 at 02:02 PM



“ Tina Marie Shellard-Lasco lit a candle in memory of Gary Francis Raupers Sr.



Tina Marie Shellard-Lasco - February 13, 2019 at 02:39 PM

CS

“ Wendy, Ali & Gary, Sorry for your loss. Your husband & father was a very caring man and was always willing to help others. Prayers to you may he rest in peace.
Charmaine & Dave.



Charmaine Stempel - February 24, 2018 at 07:36 PM

AC

“ Wendy and family.....our prayers are with your family at this time. R.I.P. Gary



Alice and Donna Campbell - February 24, 2018 at 08:55 AM

JF

“ Johnathan and Family purchased the Healing Tears - All Pink for the family of Gary Francis Raupers Sr..



Johnathan and Family - February 23, 2018 at 07:14 PM

MS

“ To : Wendi, Ali and Gary our prayers are with you during this time, sorry Johnathan could not be there with you at this time. May God give you the strength to go on, Mr. Rappers will truly be missed .
Selma, Mary , Shaunelle, Yvonne and Johnathan

P

Mary Samaroo - February 23, 2018 at 07:04 PM

LH

“ You be missed great friend fly high rest and peace

Loretta Hunsinger - February 23, 2018 at 02:07 PM

BU

“ We are so sorry to learn of Gary's passing. Wish we were there to give you hugs, but our prayers are with you, Wendi, Ali, and Gary. His spirit and love will be remembered by us and many others for a long time. May you find comfort in the wonderful memories you have. Sincerely with love, Ed & Barbara Ulatowski, Kissimmee, Florida.

Barbara Ulatowski - February 23, 2018 at 11:41 AM

AR

“ Thoughts and prayers to Gary's family. What a great man... we always loved running into him at little league games, football, and any sporting event. He loved visiting with everyone and always had a story to share and a smile on his face. Rest in peace Gary!
Love, The Reagans

Amy Reagan - February 23, 2018 at 07:08 AM

DR

“ Dear Wendi, Ali, Gary, and Family-
Thinking of you at this time of your loss.

Sincerely,
Dot, and Lee Rusk

Dorothy (Dot) Rusk - February 22, 2018 at 10:00 PM



“ Treasured Memory - 8" x 7" Frame (Holds 4x6 Photo) was purchased for the family of Gary Francis Raupers Sr..



February 22, 2018 at 06:39 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Gary Francis Raupers Sr..



February 22, 2018 at 06:37 PM

RH

“ When I hear Raupers I immediately go back to Ulster softball and the Raupers brothers.
Great times, great memories. I pray for mind easement to the family.

Roger Hemenway

Roger Hemenway - February 22, 2018 at 02:19 PM

BR

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. To all the Raupers families. May you're good memories help thru this time of sorrow.. God Bless*



Bernita Rice - February 22, 2018 at 01:26 PM

MH

“ *Wendi and family,*

So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. He was a very caring and compassionate man who loved his Lord and did good works on earth. I know this because of the way he took care of others and for always be willing to help as he did for me and for Leo. Bless you. I'm sure he is singing with joy right now.

Mary Ann Harris

Mary Ann Harris - February 21, 2018 at 04:52 PM

MD

“ *Wendi, Gary, Ally, and Family*

Words cannot express our feelings during this most difficult of times. Like you, we believe that Gary is in a better place, free from pain and still caring and watching over us. So many great memories and talks through the years and it is these memories that will always keep him close to us. He is still watching the games, just from a better seat. He gave his wife, his kids, his family, and the coaches the greatest gifts one could pass on. He gave us his time and himself. He trusted and believed in everyone and that is why he will continue to be such a special man in the eyes of all that knew him. Know you are and always will be, in our thoughts and in our prayers.

*God Bless Always,
Jayne and Coach D'Aloisio*

Mike D'Aloisio - February 21, 2018 at 04:43 PM

JS

“ *Sending thoughts and prayers from the Mansfield University Men's Basketball Family. We are very sorry to hear of this news.*

Coach John

John Szentesy - February 21, 2018 at 04:20 PM

DP

“ Wendi ~ I am so very sorry to hear of Gary's passing. My heart goes out to you and your family. Gary was such a wonderful person and made me laugh every time we all sat together at the ND Games...many prayers for your family ~I~...attaching a poem that I pray will bring you and the kids comfort and peace....
Doreen Parks-Prunier and family

I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work, or play:
Tasks left undone must stay that way:
I found that peace at the close of the day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joys.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savored much.

Doreen Prunier - February 21, 2018 at 08:31 AM

RS

“ Rex/Lisa Seymour lit a candle in memory of Gary Francis Raupers Sr.



Rex/Lisa Seymour - February 20, 2018 at 04:45 PM

RS

Wendi and family, we are so sorry to hear of Gary's passing, please know he is in a wonderful place and you will see him again one day. You are in our prayers for God's gentle hand upon you now.

Rex/Lisa Seymour - February 20, 2018 at 04:47 PM

AS

“ What a wonderful and loving man your husband and father was. May God comfort you with all the wonderful and joyful memories you shared. The world is a better place because of Gary. He will be missed. All our love, Ann, Jeff, Schuyler, Simon and David

Ann Smith - February 20, 2018 at 03:40 PM

MW

“ *Mary Kay Ward lit a candle in memory of Gary Francis Raupers Sr.*



Mary Kay Ward - February 20, 2018 at 10:52 AM

CL

“ *Wendi and family,
Thoughts and prayers are with you in your loss.
With deepest sympathy,
Claire Holton- Lizon*

Claire Holton- Lizon - February 20, 2018 at 08:36 AM