



Walter Frederick Finch

September 2, 1941 - May 5, 2025

Walter Frederick Finch 83, of Fort Myers, Fl., died on Monday, May 5, 2025. He was born in Sayre, Pa., on Sept. 2, 1941, the youngest of three children to Arthur and Ruth Finch.

He attended Athens High School and, in 1960, joined the United States Army. Walt was a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division and was stationed at Fort Bragg, NC.

After leaving the military, he joined the family business of Finch Mobile Home Sales and Crestview Court. Walt later prospered as a business owner in manufactured housing, which includes MarFlo Homes and Forest Park Community in North Fort Myers, Fl., and later at Valley Instant Homes, Big Flats Manufactured Housing and Factory Direct Homes in Athens. Throughout his life he enjoyed traveling, Nascar races and spending time with family and friends.

He is survived by his daughter Tammy (Colin) Miller, of North Fort Myers, Fl., and Jay (Laura) Finch, of Athens, Pa.; grandchildren Bret (Carly) Gillan, of Owego, NY, Bradley (Elise) Gillan, of Fort Myers, Fl., and Morgan (Thomas) Schugg, of Bossier City, La.; sisters Myrna Horton, of Rigby, Id., and Marjory Horton, of Athens, Pa.; six great grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews; also, his loving ex-wife Linda Finch, who was a very important part of his life, and his lifelong best friend Richard Wilber.

The family will receive friends Saturday, July 12, 2025, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. with a memorial service to follow at 11:00 a.m. at the Maryott-Bowen

Funeral Home 217 York Ave. Towanda, PA with Rev. Robert W. Martin officiating.

Interment will be in Bradford County Memorial Park, Burlington Township, PA. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Bradford County Memorial Park

20452 Route 6
Towanda, PA 18848

Previous Events

Receive Friends

JUL 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Maryott-Bowen Funeral Home
217 York Ave.
Towanda, PA 18848
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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ I will always cherish the time spent with Walt and forever be thankful for his significant role in helping me grow to be a productive member of society...both personally and professionally. He was like a second father to me...countless fond memories especially when he would take me out to have a “few” adult beverages:). I will truly miss having our phone calls as we talked about old times...he always got me to laugh. I know he’s now resting in peace...love you Walt.

Dave Lamphere

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