



## William James Gardener Jr.

August 17, 1948 - May 6, 2020

William J. Gardener Jr., of East Windsor, passed away on Wednesday May 6th peacefully at home surrounded by his devoted wife and four children. He was born and raised in Freehold. He served in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Local Laborers Union 172 and VFW Post 5700 of Hightstown.

He was predeceased by his parents William Sr. and Edwina. He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years (and best friend) Darlene; his two sons William J. III of East Windsor, and Brett and his wife Elizabeth of Freehold; his two daughters Brandy and her husband Anthony of Galloway, and Becky and her husband Barry of Tinton Falls; four grandchildren Sara, William, Logan, and Emma; and one great-granddaughter Adrianna. All who he adored with his heart and soul.

A Celebration of Life with a full Military Service to be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, we ask that you make donations to: VFW Post 5700, 140 Dutch Neck Road, Hightstown, NJ 08520. For online condolences, please visit his memorial page at [www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com](http://www.bongarzonefuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

WG

“ *Happy Birthday Daddy, I miss you and love you always.*  
*Billy*

William Gardener - August 17, 2024 at 09:34 AM

JJ

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



John A. Schemmer, Jr - December 29, 2021 at 02:56 PM



“ *Thoughts & Prayers was purchased for the family of William James Gardener Jr..*



May 11, 2020 at 03:27 PM

NG

“ *Wonderful memories of growing up on Bond Street.*  
*Sincerest sympathy to the Gardener Family.*  
*Nancy Carroll Guy*

Nancy Carroll Guy - May 11, 2020 at 03:23 PM

BR

*Feel free to share any of my father, we would cherish any. He was the greatest man I have ever known and my hero.*

**Brandy Gardener Restuccia** - May 12, 2020 at 09:57 PM

BR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



**Brandy Restuccia** - May 09, 2020 at 05:18 PM

CD

“ *I had the honor of meeting Bill when he would babysit his grandchildren Logan & Emma. He was always loving, smiling & laughing with them and it was evident they adored him too. My love & prayers are with Bill & his family. With deepest sympathies, Colleen Duffy*



**Colleen Duffy** - May 08, 2020 at 03:13 PM

MP

“ *So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love, Ms. Pat & Poppy*

**Ms. Pat & Poppy** - May 08, 2020 at 02:49 PM

CF

“ Our deepest condolences to the Gardener family. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. The Conrade Family



conrade family - May 08, 2020 at 02:18 PM

BH

“ Bongarzone Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of William James Gardener Jr.



Bongarzone Funeral Home - May 07, 2020 at 09:53 PM

AP

Thank you for your service Mr. Gardener. Rest In Peace †  
Love, Alisha Persaud

Alisha Persaud - May 08, 2020 at 01:23 PM

AP

My deepest sympathy to the family. Sending prayers 🙏 May God give you all the strength to move forward.

Alisha Persaud - May 08, 2020 at 01:36 PM

BR

Thank you so much my father was an incredible man.

Brandy Gardener Restuccia - May 08, 2020 at 06:31 PM

JG

“ Though it’s been years since we all shared laughs and good company, you will forever be in our hearts, thoughts and prayers...RIP, Bill..Semper Fortis  
Always friends, Joe and Joanne Giummo

Our heartfelt condolences to all, especially you, Darlene💔

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**Joseph and Joanne Giummo** - May 07, 2020 at 07:17 PM

JK

*Sending you our deepest condolences to you all. You are in our thoughts and prayers. With love to the whole family xxxxx*

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**Julie Knowles** - May 08, 2020 at 08:34 AM

BG

*We are so saddened to hear this news. Mr. Gardener was like a second father to me growing up and he will be missed by so many. I have great memories going back to the days of ghost stories and water fights in the back yard. Please let us know if you need anything.  
Love,  
Shark Bait and the Gavigan Family*

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**Billy Gavigan** - May 08, 2020 at 09:29 AM

TB

*Sending our thoughts and prayers to Becky, Barry, Darlene and the Gardener Family. May he Rest In Peace. Tricia + Tom Beam*

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**Tricia Beam** - May 16, 2020 at 03:01 PM