



Leonard J. Gamradt

May 30, 1941 - July 9, 2015

Leonard "Lenny" J. Gamradt, 74 year old resident of Little Falls, MN, passed away on Thursday, July 9, 2015 at his residence. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:30 A.M. on Monday, July 13, 2015 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Little Falls, MN with Father Jeremy Ploof officiating. Burial will take place in St. Mary's Cemetery in Little Falls, MN. A visitation will be held from 10:30 until 11:30 A.M. on Monday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Little Falls, MN.

Lenny was born May 30, 1941 in Little Falls, MN to Max and Angeline (Measure) Gamradt. He graduated from Little Falls High School. While in High School he worked for Gambles Hardware, in Little Falls and later as Assistant Manager at the Gambles Store in Stillwater, MN. He returned to Little Falls to take a full time job as a Bookeeper/Parts man at Anton Chevrolet and also worked part time at the Star and Tribune. In 1963 he joined the U. S. Army and went to Missouri for Basic Training. From there to AIT for Signal School in Fort Gordon, GA; then to Washington D. C. to work in Communications. He was present at JFK's funeral where he monitored the Television at St. Matthews Cathedral. In other state side duties, Lenny was stationed in Virginia Beach with a Signal unit and in Charlettsville, VA where he was in charge of Communication for the USA Foreign Science and Technology Center. He spent three tours of duty in Korea with a Signal Unit, four tours in Vietnam, (69 Signal Batallion, MACV, USARB and First Cavalry Division). He also spent time in Vicenza, Italy, Kaiser Slautern, Germany and Stutgaard, Germany.

Lenny retired from the Military after 20 years of service and was proud for receiving the National Defense Service Medal; Vietnam Service Medal (13 Campaigns); Vietnam Campaign Medal; Vietnam Cross of Gallantry w/Palm; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Meritorious Unit Commendation (2d OLC); Army Commendation Medal (2d OLC); Bronze Star Medal (1st OLC); 8 O/S Bars; Good Conduct medal (6th Award); NCO Professional Development Ribbon (3); Army Service Ribbon; Overseas Service Ribbon (1) and Marksman (Rifle). After retiring, Lenny returned to Little Falls and participated in numerous Volunteer Organizations. Because of his Volunteer commitment to the community of Little Falls, he received the 1999 State Wide Acts of Kindness Award at the Minnesota State Fair.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Marie (Gamradt) Borash.

Lenny is survived by his brother Max (Sharon) Gamradt of Wrenshall, MN; sister, Dotty (Greg) Ploeger, Port Isabel, TX; brother in-law, Bob Borash of Royalton, MN; several nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Blessed Be His Memory; May He Rest In Peace, Amen.

In Lieu of Flowers, Memorials are Preferred To A Charity of Your Choice.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

4th Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 13. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church - Little Falls
305 4th Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Leonard J. Gamradt*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - July 10, 2015 at 06:38 PM

DB

I will never forget the look on Leonards face when he found out who lowna Trailer really was. God bless you Lenny

Dave Burggraff

Dave Burggraff - July 14, 2015 at 05:16 PM



“ *Leonard J. Gamradt*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM

LA

“ *I was stationed with Lenny while the Army. One of the best people I have ever met. We had some great conversations and times together. The 1st Christmas card we received every year was from Lenny. He never missed a year. I'll miss him but cherish the good time we had. Regards*

Larry Anderson

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Sun City AZ 85351

Larry Anderson - August 01, 2015 at 06:55 PM

JE

“ I used to go into the Black and White for coffee when I worked at Jetka's. Lenny was always in the mood to talk. He never missed sending a card at Christmas.

*John Eidenshink
West Fargo, ND*

John Eidenshink - July 14, 2015 at 08:52 AM

WG

“ Leonard was a true citizen soldier serving both his country and community. I was lucky enough to be able to spend time with him sharing some of our military experiences when traveling back from Operation "ENDURING FREEDOM" in 2002. He always gave solid advise, I was highly honored to sit and visit around Grandma's table (Helen Gamradt). Rest in peace Lenny, may your next mission in heaven be peaceful!

William J. Gamradt, Great Falls, MT

William J. Gamradt - July 12, 2015 at 11:37 PM

MG

“ May he rest in peace after his well lived life. Our sympathy to the Gamradt family , from the Gamradt families in Sauk Centre.

Mark &Karen Gamradt - July 12, 2015 at 04:42 PM

ED

“ Lenny was one of the most kind and caring person. His door was always open. He had a big heart. We will miss you. Heaven received an angel. Gary and Elaine Dupont

Elaine Dupont - July 12, 2015 at 03:29 PM

KM

“ Lenny was one of the kindest people on earth. We always felt he was part of our family and that feeling will remain always. We will miss you Lenny. Love and prayers. Kathy McCluney and the family of Rose Borash.

Kathy McCluney - July 12, 2015 at 12:20 PM

TS

“ Lenny was one of the most humble and generous person I have ever met. He always had a open door and a welcome smile. God bless him and welcome him home.

Tara Strang - July 11, 2015 at 07:10 PM

Dee
Wielinski

“ Dee Wielinski lit a candle in memory of Leonard J. Gamradt



Dee Wielinski - July 09, 2015 at 08:24 PM

LD

“ Lenny was a classic Little Falls resident. He cared for everyone. Once he met you, you became his good friend. When he took his last breath on earth, he took his first breath in Heaven. You are missed already my friend!
Lee Ann Doucette, Little Falls

Lee Ann Doucette - July 09, 2015 at 02:11 PM

SW

“ *Sandy Wright-Olson lit a candle in memory of Leonard J. Gamradt*



Sandy Wright-Olson - July 09, 2015 at 01:01 PM

JP

“ *Joe & Maggie Plante lit a candle in memory of Leonard J. Gamradt*



Joe & Maggie Plante - July 09, 2015 at 12:29 PM

PJ

Farewell to a compassionate and loving person. I have many good memories of visiting with Lenny over the years and was always impressed with his love for his country, his military service and most of all how well he treated his mother.

Patricia Johnson - July 13, 2015 at 11:03 AM

DD

*Lenny or "Pops" as we grew accustomed to calling him when we were stationed together in the Army was a great friend. He was liked by all. We noticed we hadn't received our usual Christmas card this year and I discovered he passed away. Rest in peace my friend.
Donald Dunno, Master Sergeant (retired)*

Donald Dunno - December 19, 2015 at 10:50 AM

DO

Gone but not forgotten. I miss you!

Dotty - March 04, 2016 at 01:21 PM