



David J. "Bud" Gollon

April 10, 1937 - November 13, 2022

Dodgeville – David “Bud” Gollon age 85 of Dodgeville passed away on Sunday, November 13, 2022 with his loving wife Althea by his side. He maintained his sense of humor to the end.

Bud was born in Stevens Point, WI on April 10, 1937 to Carl & Monica Gollon. Early years he was in the bait business with his father and brothers in Stevens Point. He met the love of his life Althea Repinski while picking berries on his road. They were later married in Glendive, MT in 1958. He was drafted into the US Army, where he served from 1959 to 1962. After a flood they moved with their 4 children and all their possessions in a single cab pickup to Dodgeville. They later welcomed their 5th child in 1978.

His first job in Dodgeville was at Stella Cheese, then Morton Buildings, in 1976 he then went back into the bait business with his sons. He formed Dave Gollon and Sons Live Bait, which later became Gollon Bait and Fish Farm. His passion was the bait business, and in his spare time he hunted, fished and trapped and enjoyed planting trees.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years Althea; his children David (Susan) Gollon, Audrey (Ted) Moellers, Timothy (Larc) Gollon, Amanda (Don) Schultz and Mike (Autume) Gollon; his two brothers Fritz and Billy, 18 grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren.

He was proceeded in death by his parents Carl & Monica, brothers Carl "Sonny", Phil, sisters Viola, Janette and Loretta.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday, November 17, 2022 at ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH in Dodgeville. Burial will be held in St. Joseph's Cemetery, where Military Graveside Rites will be held and accorded by the Dodgeville Veterans. Friends may call from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday at the GORGEN-McGINLEY & AYERS FUNERAL HOME in Dodgeville and from 10:00 a.m. until 10:50 a.m. on Thursday at the church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Upland Hills Hospice or St. Joseph's School Trust Fund.

The family wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to Dr Gary Grunow, Upland Hills Hospice and staff.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph's Cemetery

Compassion Way
Dodgeville, WI 53533

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 16. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Gorgen-McGinley & Ayers Funeral Home
400 East Grace Street
Dodgeville, WI 53533
(608) 935-5222
gorgenfh@mhtc.net

Visitation

NOV 17. 10:00 AM - 10:50 AM (CT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church
405 S. Dacotah Street
Dodgeville, WI 53533

Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church
405 S. Dacotah Street
Dodgeville, WI 53533

Military Graveside Rites

NOV 17 (CT)

St. Joseph's Cemetery
Compassion Way
Dodgeville, WI 53533

Tribute Wall

RC

“ Bud was a neighbor, relative, & friend and in my earlier years we worked together catching minnows, including one summer when we worked together (on shares). I'll never forget the time though when we were seining a hole under an old farm bridge when Bud looked up above our heads and saw two or three huge pine snakes draped on the bridge girders - with a yell (scream?), Bud was instantly out from under the bridge, up on the road, his end of the seine sitting there untended. I loved that guy! Ralph Christensen

Ralph Christensen - November 17, 2022 at 12:03 PM

CJ

“ Ron and I always enjoyed visiting with Dave at conferences, meetings, and the farm. He had an easy going smile and a twinkle in his eye. Even though he had passed his bait farm to his sons, he still kept his eye on things, coming to work every day to make sure "the boys" did everything right.

Dave was "old school", doing business with a hand shake and a look in your eye. He was innovative and a pillar of wisdom in aquaculture. Family was everything to him - he leaves a proud legacy of fish farmers and community builders to continue on.

We will certainly miss our visits. It was truly our pleasure to know you.

PS - give Hugo and Ruby a hug.



cindy johnson - November 16, 2022 at 07:48 PM

AC

Dave was a great friend and a hard worker . He showed his family that if you really want to succeed you have to work for it . Him and his son's did just that . He always enjoyed sitting and visiting when he had time . He will surely be missed . My condolence goes out to the gollon family

AI chranson - November 17, 2022 at 07:43 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



November 16, 2022 at 02:15 PM

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“ *The Mitlyng's purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



The Mitlyng's - November 16, 2022 at 08:55 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



November 15, 2022 at 09:21 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



November 15, 2022 at 08:55 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



November 15, 2022 at 04:28 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



November 15, 2022 at 04:17 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



November 15, 2022 at 10:31 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



November 15, 2022 at 09:49 AM



“ *David J. "Bud" Gollon*

November 15, 2022 at 06:49 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



November 14, 2022 at 08:13 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



November 14, 2022 at 07:13 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of David J. "Bud" Gollon.*



November 14, 2022 at 04:20 PM