



Richard James Gochenour

October 30, 1944 - September 8, 2024

The staff at Heishman Funeral Home Inc. sends condolences to the family of Richard James Gochenour.

Richard James Gochenour, 79, of Woodstock, passed away Sunday, September 8, 2024, at Shenandoah Terrace in New Market. The funeral service will be held Wednesday, September 11 at 2:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church in Woodstock. Pastor Doug Frazier will officiate. Burial will follow in Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery in Woodstock. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church.

Mr. Gochenour was born October 30, 1944, in Shenandoah County, son of the late Alfred Henry Gochenour and Lula Grace Steppe Gochenour. He formerly worked for Cooper Valley Construction, Avtex, and retired from VDOT after over 20 years. He was a member of First Baptist Church, life-member and past chief of Woodstock Volunteer Fire Department, and life-member of Woodstock Volunteer Rescue Squad.

He is survived by his wife, Ruby Young Poff Gochenour; daughters, Tracy Merica and husband Faron of New Market and Lisa Nelson and husband Eddie of Toms Brook; sister, Linda Gochenour of Maurertown; brothers, Bill Gochenour and wife Judy of Woodstock, Robert Gochenour and wife Carolyn of Woodstock, and Sammy Gochenour and wife Jeanne Gochenour of Edinburg; step grandchildren, Lauren Nelson and James Nelson. He was preceded in death by a brother-in-law, Vernon Gochenour.

Pallbearers will be James Nelson, Wade Feller, Warren Poff, Bobby Poff, Jason Gochenour, and Vernon Poff Jr.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Woodstock Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. 176, Woodstock, VA 22664.

Online condolences may be left at www.valleyfs.com

Arrangements by Heishman Funeral Home Inc., Valley Funeral Service Branch, Edinburg.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery

3055 Fairview Road
Woodstock, VA 22664

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 11. 1:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church
116 Lakeview Drive
Woodstock, VA

Funeral Service

SEP 11. 2:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church
116 Lakeview Drive
Woodstock, VA

Tribute Wall

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“ I met Richard when I became a volunteer EMT in Fort Valley. He was the driver on many of my calls. His experience on calls was frequently of great help to me as a new EMT. He was always kind to everyone we met on calls. He also had some great stories about the area as I was new to it. When he and Ruby moved to Woodstock I really missed him. I am sorry to hear he as passed. Susan Medley

Susan Medley - September 15, 2024 at 10:43 AM

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“ I have known Richard just about my whole life. We rode the bus together all through school. He was always so kind and giving. May he rest in peace. Prayers are for the family.

Christine Kibler Caston - September 10, 2024 at 04:43 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this most difficult time.

Sending our deepest condolences,

The Gentiva Hospice Team

The Gentiva Hospice Team - September 10, 2024 at 03:21 PM

LB

“ Sending our heartfelt condolences. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this most difficult time. May God put His loving arms around you all to give you the strength to endure these most difficult of days.

Larry Cave & Sandy Burner-Cave

Larry Cave & Sandy Burner-Cave - September 10, 2024 at 11:12 AM



“ *My heart felt condolence Tracy and to the family.*

Kathy Turner - September 09, 2024 at 06:37 PM