



Michael W. "Mike" Gantz

October 1, 1953 - April 14, 2023

Michael W. Gantz, 69 of Rheems went home to be with his Lord and Savior Friday morning, April 14, 2023 Fondly known as "Mike" he was the loving husband of LuAnn Seldomridge Gantz. He is also survived by two sons, Michael (Sarah) Gantz of Maytown and Bradley (Kari) Gantz of Bainbridge and will be deeply missed by his five grandchildren Josiah, Ava, Liam, Parker, and Ethan whom he cherished and loved.

Mike was a 1972 graduate of Elizabethtown High School and later worked for RR Donnelly and Son as a pressman. He was a dedicated member of the Rheems Fire Company, serving his community for over 40 years. A loving and generous person, Mike would have done anything for anybody and impacted the lives of people he met. Those who know Jesus, as Mike did, will see him again one day, and oh how precious that will be. As his family, we feel sadness during this time, however, we are also so thankful that he is no longer in pain, he is dancing in his heavenly body.

Mike loved vacationing in Ocean City NJ with his family, sugaring up the grandkids and sending them home and teaching them life lessons like "how to spit off the porch". He treasured his "Grandpa T-shirts and hats" attending sporting events, or taking the kids to fire company activities, Easter egg hunts, Christmas parties, Halloween parties. It was evident that Mike loved his family with his whole heart and openly showed that love in so many ways. Yes, we will forever feel his absence, his hearty laugh, his generous spirit, his love for the Lord, his dedication to his wife and family, his overwhelming pride in his sons and grandchildren, however his memory will always remain in our hearts.

Born in Lancaster, he was the son of the late Allen and Arlene Weidman Gantz. In addition to his immediate family he is survived by his brother Ronald of Manheim and his sister Trudy (Richard) Houck of Mount Joy.

A funeral service honoring Mikes life will be held at West Green Tree Church of the Brethren, 740 Greentree Road, Elizabethtown PA 17022 on Friday April 21, 2023 at 11 am. Friends will be received at the Sheetz Funeral Home, Inc. 16 East Main Street, Mount Joy on Thursday, April 20, 2023 from 6 to 8 pm and again at West Green Tree Church from 10 AM until the time of the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Rheems Fire Department, 350 Anchor Rd, Elizabethtown, PA 17022 or Donegal Conoy Christian Food Bank c/o Pat Vogel, 155 Vinegar Ferry Road, Marietta, PA 17547

would be deeply appreciated.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **20**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Sheetz Funeral Home
16 East Main Street
Mount Joy, PA

Visitation

APR **21**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

West Green Tree Church of the Brethren
740 Greentree Road
Elizabethtown, PA 17022

Funeral Service

APR **21**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RR

“ LuAnn and family, I got to know Mike through my father many years ago. Everything that is mentioned in the obituary regarding Mike's character is very true. Without a doubt, he had a special kindness to welcome and help anyone, and that was especially evident during his community participation. My father and I always enjoyed the interactions that we had with Mike for many years. I'm glad Mike knew God, and where he is going leaving this earth. God's Blessings to the family during this brief time of separation.

Sincerely,
Robert A. Ricedorf

Robert A. Ricedorf - April 20, 2023 at 12:21 PM



“ My heart and condolences go out LuAnn, Mike, Brad and to all Mr. Gantz's (Mike) family members. I count it a blessing to have known Mr. Gantz. I remember his great dad jokes, the smiles he always had to give and his wisdom. Mr. Gantz had a big heart and made the world a better place and will be greatly missed.

Thoughts and Prayers,
Patrinia Wilkerson

Patrinia Wilkerson - April 20, 2023 at 11:17 AM

SF

“ Dear LuAnn and family, deepest sympathy to you at this very difficult time. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you!

Love, Hugs and Blessings!

Sincerely,
Sharon Funk

Sharon Funk - April 17, 2023 at 05:33 PM

CB

“ Our deepest condolences to Luann, Mike and Brad! You dad was a really nice man, and we remember him fondly.

We'd also like to extend my condolences to Mike's siblings Ron Gantz and Trudy Houck along with their respective families.

Christy, Samantha and Calder Burchett - April 17, 2023 at 05:27 PM

GB

“ Gary Butzer lit a candle in memory of Michael W. "Mike" Gantz



Gary Butzer - April 17, 2023 at 04:55 PM

GB

“ Dear LuAnn&family Sorry to read of Mikes passing.May the Lord give you the peace that passes all understanding and comfort you in the days moving forward Blessings Gary&Vicki Butzer

Gary Butzer - April 17, 2023 at 04:53 PM

MS

“ I am sorry to hear of this; I pray your memories will comfort you during this time. May the peace of Christ be with you

Mary Jane Smith - April 17, 2023 at 12:37 PM

DB

“ Brad and Kari and Family-
Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.
Denny and Michelle Boyer

Dennis Boyer - April 17, 2023 at 08:16 AM

JK

“ So sorry to hear of Mike's passing. Thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. He was a great guy.

Jami Kretzing



jami Kretzing - April 16, 2023 at 11:24 AM