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Richard L. Gaines, age 62, of Wellington, died Monday afternoon at Allen Medical Center, Oberlin, following a brief illness.

He was born in Nutter Fort (Harrison County) WV, and had lived in Wellington the past year; having moved from Grafton.

Mr. Gaines served in the Marine Corp during the Vietnam war.

He worked many years for the Kroger Company, Solon, OH and for the last 17 years as a diesel mechanic for Wise International, Brookpark, OH.

He was a member of the Teamsters Local 507 and the AMVETS Post 32, Elyria.

He enjoyed gardening, playing horseshoes, Bowling and playing cards. However, most of all he loved playing with his grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife of 39 years, Lynda (nee Farley) Gaines; sons, Richard G. (Patricia) Gaines, of North Ridgeville, Ted A. Gaines, of Wellington, Michael S. Gaines, of Wellington, CW02 (Marines) Steven M. (Tiffany) Gaines, of Okinawa, Japan; daughters, HM2(Navy) Kerri E. Gaines, of Frederick, MD and Kelli J. (Robert) McGill, of Wellington; twelve grandchildren; brothers Huey J., Henry, James R., Jack and David E. Gaines.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Andrew Jackson and Eve Irene (nee Kelley) Gaines and a sister, Virginia L. Coberly.

The family will receive friends on Friday from 2- 4 and 7-9 PM at the David Bogner Family Funeral Home, 36625 Center Ridge Road, North Ridgeville; where funeral services will be held on Saturday at 10 AM. Reverend Charles Leininger, associate pastor of the Elyria Baptist Church, will officiate. Burial will follow; with full military honors conducted by the VFW Post 1079, Elyria, in Brookdale Cemetery, Elyria



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RG

Rich Gaines posted:

What can I say about my dad. He was a hard man yet he had a gentle side to him. He was very hard on me growing up but the lessons he taught and showed me, made me the man I am today. My dad worked hard everyday of his life to provide for his family and I realize, now that I have a family of my own, what it took for him to get up and go to work every day to give us kids what we needed in life. I just want my dad to know that all his hard work on me did not go unnoticed and that I will love and miss him until we meet again. Until we meet again dad. I LOVE YOU.

December 6 at 8:00 PM

PG

Patricia Gaines posted:

For anyone reading this that may not know, I'm Richard's daughter-in-law. He called me that long before I ever actually became one. After losing my own dad when I was just 10 years old, I walked around with a void in my life, not knowing that in another ten years that void would be filled. I met Richard well over 15 years ago, and just as the rest of the family did, Richard took me into his heart and his home, and treated me no different than his own children. He listened to my problems; he would unhook the battery from my car when I was too "tipsy" to drive—just so I would have to spend the night and be safe. He even built a little "outhouse" just for me, just so I wouldn't have to keep walking from the fire ring all the way to the house every time I had to go to the bathroom. Whenever there was a party or a wedding, we would dance to "Old Time Rock 'n' Roll." We had many laughs together. I still can't believe he's gone. I love him and will miss him much more than some will know; for in many more ways than I can count, Richard was much more than just a father-in-law to me, he was also MY DAD.

December 6 at 8:00 PM

EW

Erika Wilson posted:

Lynda and Family, I'm very sorry to hear about your loss. I wish I could be there with you. Lynda, you and Richard were always like parents to me. Please know that you all are in my prayers and thoughts.
Erika Wilson

December 2 at 8:00 PM

BY

Betsy (Queen) Yeager posted:

Dear Lynda, I was so sorry to read of your loss in our paper. I will be remembering you and your family in prayer.

December 2 at 8:00 PM



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Dave & Lisa Padgett posted:

Dear Kelli, Robert, Steven & Noah, We're very sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Words could never express the sorrow you all must be feeling. Please know that you are in our thoughts & prayers. Sincerely, Dave & Lisa Padgett

December 1 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Richard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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