



Louie V. Gassaway Jr.

April 12, 1938 - August 24, 2021

LOUIE V. GASSAWAY, JR.

Louie V. Gassaway, Jr., 83, passed away peacefully at his Muskogee home Tuesday morning, August 24, 2021. He was born on April 12, 1938, in Coweta, Oklahoma, to Louie V. Gassaway, Sr., and Esther Clyde (Manes) Gassaway. He grew up in Okmulgee, Oklahoma, graduating in 1957, from Okmulgee High School. Shortly thereafter, he proudly served in the U.S. Navy making three cruises aboard the aircraft carrier, the USS Forrestal, until he was honorably discharged on May 29 of 1961.

Later he attended both Bacone College and Northeastern State University where he graduated in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration.

He met the love of his life in 1971 when he and a special summer intern kept running into each other. He and Nancy Smith were married in March of 1972. They shared more than 49 years of marriage, memories, and a wonderful life together. The addition of their two wonderful sons, Ryan and Grant, completed their immediate family.

He worked various places in Muskogee including Container Corporation, U.S. Postal Service, and the Veterans Administration Regional Office where he was

both an Adjudication Unit Chief and Rating Specialist. He retired from the Rating Board in 1993.

In that same year, he was asked to teach a Sunday School class for the adults at his church, a class he loved over the 28 years he taught it. He was truly dedicated to his studies of the Bible and never wanted credit for what he taught; Louie always gave credit to the Lord.

Even though Louie was 83 years old, he was always young-at-heart. He enjoyed a simple life and getting to be with family and friends—all of whom he loved so dearly. Traveling, golfing, fishing, and hunting were activities he enjoyed over the years.

He was the youngest child in the Gassaway family and was preceded in death by his parents, Louie and Esther Gassaway; his sisters, Cleona (Jimmy) McNeill, June (Paul) Pride, Wanda (Ray) Morris, and brother, J. W. (Marie) Gassaway.

Louie is survived by his wife, Nancy, of the home; two sons and daughter-in-law, Ryan and Malaynee Gassaway of Muskogee, and Grant Gassaway of Colorado; grandchildren; Wyatt Gassaway, Jackylin Carlin, Levi Gassaway, Eva Elizabeth Gassaway, and Sophia Gassaway. Others include his special nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to The Gideons International.

Louie's memorial service celebrating his life will be at 10:00 a.m., Monday, August 30, 2021, at LifePoint Church with Pastor Guy Parrish officiating. Burial will be conducted at the Ft. Gibson National Cemetery at 1:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 National Cemetery Rd.
Fort Gibson, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 28. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory
1830 North York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403
(918) 682-1500

Visitation

AUG 29. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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Family to greet friends

AUG **29**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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Service

AUG **30**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Lifepoint Church
2200 S. 32nd St.
Muskogee, OK 74401

Tribute Wall



“ *Louie V. Gassaway Jr.*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Nancy, I'm so sorry for your loss. I pray your memories of your life with Louie will bring you comfort.*

Karen Waymire - September 08, 2021 at 11:48 PM



“ *Nancy, I'm so sorry for your loss. From the photos, I can see that the two of you had a wonderful life together. My deepest sympathies to you and your family.*
Pat (Compassi) Gatti

Pat Gatti - August 31, 2021 at 07:55 AM



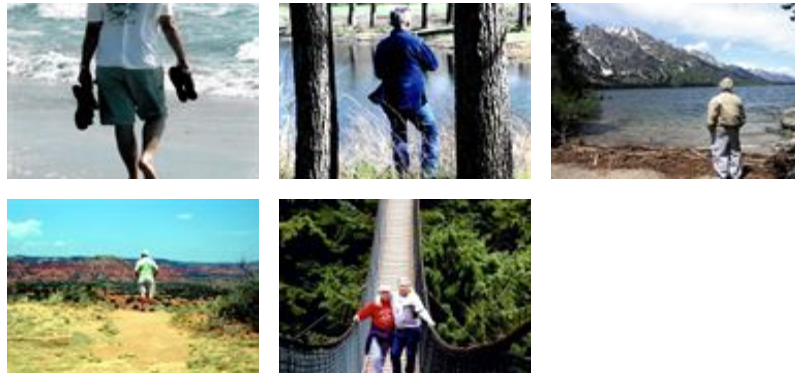
“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Louie V. Gassaway Jr..*



August 28, 2021 at 09:34 AM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - August 27, 2021 at 09:33 PM



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“ *Steve & Sue Juett, JC & Associates, LLC purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Louie V. Gassaway Jr..*



Steve & Sue Juett, JC & Associates, LLC - August 27, 2021 at 03:26 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Louie V. Gassaway Jr..*



August 27, 2021 at 09:08 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louie V. Gassaway Jr..*



August 26, 2021 at 10:35 PM



“ *We loved :Louie! Nancy, we are so very sorry for your loss. He was an amazing Sunday school teacher and a wonderful Christian. Always had a smile and kind word. Prayers for Nancy and her family.*

RitaLynn Hunter Shamblin - August 26, 2021 at 07:45 PM



“ *He was a Great Christian Man!! ! Always enjoyed our talks! Prayers for Nancy and Family !*

Debbie Adkins - August 26, 2021 at 01:50 PM



Louie was my Sunday school teacher from 1993 to 2008. Louie always came prepared and taught god's word. I moved to okc after I got married. I always will remember Louie as a man of strong christian faith. My prayers are with his wife Nancy and there family. Frank Driskel Edmond Oklahoma.

Frank Driskel - August 26, 2021 at 11:39 PM

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“ I've known Louie since he married Nancy, my oldest and closest friend from my youth.

Louie was one of the most devout and God-loving Christians I have ever known. He loved to talk about God and the Bible, but was never over-bearing or pushy. I don't remember ever seeing him in his recliner without his bible right by his side.

When he answered the door one time when I showed up and told them that I had passed the C.P.A. exam, I believe he was more excited than I was!! He grabbed my hand and hugged me and yelled out "Congratulations" with a smile that lit up my world.

And he was a good cook!!! He taught me the secret to his delicious pinto beans when I had dinner with them one night and remarked that I always struggled with getting them just right.

One of my favorite memories of Louie is planning Nancy's surprise 50th birthday party together. And this is my favorite picture of him. Rest in peace, my friend. You will be missed oh so much.

Cheryl Cato



Cheryl - August 26, 2021 at 01:09 AM