



## John Edwin Gillespie

October 21, 1948 - October 25, 2019

Gillespie, John Edwin October 25, 2019 age 71 of Wayne. Beloved husband of Vickie. Loving father of Jim (Donna) Leyman, Vince Leyman, Lisa (George) Sydenstricker, Tammy Gillespie and Cathy Gillespie. Proud grandfather of eight and great grandfather of five. Beloved companion Bubba T. He will miss by his two brothers, Jerry and Jim and his sister Patty Brown. as well as his sister in law, Penny Gillespie and brother in law Jim Bowman. Preceded in death by his brother Tom and sister Roberta Bowman. Also leaves many nieces and nephews. Visitation Tuesday, October 29th 3-9 PM and 7 PM Funeral Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 980 N. Newburgh Road (between Ford Road and Cherry Hill) Westland. Memorial Contributions may be made to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, MI 48154. To share a memory, please use the Share a Memory tab on this web page.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **29**. 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Westland  
980 North Newburgh Road  
Westland, MI 48185  
(734) 326-1300  
westland@vermeulenfh.com

## Funeral Service

OCT **29**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *John Edwin Gillespie*

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December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *From another former vet, you will be missed. I've known you for over 40 years. Huggs to Vicky and Lisa and my best friend Vinnie for over 48 years, I don't have the words, but I love you guys and girls.*

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**ROBERT SPRADLIN** - October 30, 2019 at 12:33 AM



“ *A wonderful man and family. I had the pleasure of working with him for many years at the VA in Ann Arbor. He was a kind man and had a great sense of humor. I always enjoyed and looked forward to my visits with him. Your family has been amazing over these years and I will miss him and you both!*

*Gabe (Dr S)*

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**Gabe Solomon** - October 28, 2019 at 02:54 PM

 Connie  
Leyman

“ To one of our best friends, you will never be forgotten and greatly missed! I hope you and Terry are having fun and no more pain for either of you! I have so many memories i don't know where to start.

*I so wish i could make it to your funeral but just getting out of hospital for myself with congestive heart failure I don't think its good idea to drive that far. But Im there with you and the family. Lots of Hugs and Prayers*

Love  
Connie

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**Connie Leyman** - October 28, 2019 at 12:15 PM

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“ To the man who was my everything, my true father figure. The times we shared growing up and later in life I will cherish forever. You taught me right from wrong. You showed me what unconditional love really was. Always showing kindness and true compassion. I would call to check in with you and ask how you were feeling, "feeling with my finger tips" is the response I would get. You always made jokes and made the best out of the little moments of life. I was your boy, your Al pal. I will forever remember the sound of your voice ringing off the walls and see your face as I close my eyes at night. You truly were and still are my hero. Everyday I will live my life one moment at a time and never take life to lightly, I will live my life for you. I will always miss you granddad and so will your great grandbabies...

*Fly high in paradise  
I will forever love you  
Your Al Pal*

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**Alex carey** - October 28, 2019 at 10:59 AM