



Mr Gary E Mitchell

January 9, 1946 - March 9, 2019

Richmond -

Gary E. Mitchell, 73, of Richmond, died Saturday morning at Craneville Place in Dalton with his loving family by his side.

Born on January 9, 1946 in Lynn, MA, to the late Robert and Hilda Conley Mitchell, he attended Bourne High School and was a 1966 graduate.

After high school, Gary enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served during the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged in 1968.

Gary attended Springfield Technical Community College where he earned his Associate's Degree in Law Enforcement.

After graduation, Gary worked as police officer in the Springfield Police Department for 17 years, ending his career as a lieutenant in the narcotics unit. He was the Chief of Police in the Richmond Police Department, and also worked in the West Stockbridge and Sheffield Police Departments.

Gary enjoyed hunting, fishing, skiing, rock collecting and playing cards, and could always be found exploring the outdoors. He was a communicant of the Richmond Congregational Church.

Besides his wife, Gary leaves his children, Bruce Mitchell, Michael Mitchell, Andrew Mitchell, Chelsea Mach, and Jake Mitchell; four grandchildren, and his siblings, Robert Mitchell, Jr., Jan Schiering, Dianne Lebsock and Gail Schavrien.

The funeral service for Mr. Gary Mitchell will be held on Thursday, March 14,

2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Richmond Congregations Church, State Road, Richmond, MA. Burial will be held in the Spring in Center Cemetery in Richmond.

Calling hours will be held on Wednesday, March 13, 2019, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Roche Funeral Home, 120 Main Street, Lenox, MA.

Donations in Gary's memory may be made to either the Richmond Congregational Church or the Alzheimer's Association, both in care of the funeral home.

The family would like to thank Craneville Place of Dalton, Unit 1, for their unending love and support in Gary's final weeks.

To share memories and stories, please visit rochefuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **13**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Roche Funeral Home
120 Main Street
P.O. Box 152
Lenox, MA 01240
(413) 637-0699
eroche120fh@gmail.com

Service

MAR **14**. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

Richmond Congregational Church

Tribute Wall

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“ Sue and family,

Gary will certainly be missed. I enjoyed his weird sense of humor, his zest for life and his love of family. He had your back at all times. I hope he's at peace.

Sheryl Johnson and Mike Kirchner - March 14, 2019 at 11:38 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr Gary E Mitchell.



March 13, 2019 at 01:25 PM

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“ Suio Ryu Iai Kempo - Garden Grove, CA purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mr Gary E Mitchell.



Suio Ryu Iai Kempo - Garden Grove, CA - March 11, 2019 at 04:34 PM

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“ Had many great conversations with Gary while at SPD. He was a great worker. He'll be missed.

John Govoni - March 11, 2019 at 09:32 AM