



Shannon Jay Gimenes

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Shannon Jay Gimenes, age 56, passed away Thursday, October 24, 2024. He was born April 8, 1968, in San Bernardino, CA, and eventually found his way to Michigan, graduating from Flushing High School. Right after high school, Shannon joined the U.S. Army and served a tour in Desert Storm. On August 21, 2004, he married Barbara Achterhoff.

Upon returning from Military service, he spent 13 years at YMCA Camp Copneconic as a counselor, health officer, and Teen Adventure trip director. He then made his way to West Michigan and YMCA Camp Pandalouan, where he continued his passion for teaching kids about the outdoors and challenging them on the high ropes course. It was at Pandalouan where he met the love of his life, Barbara. Shannon had a passion for helping at-risk kids both through the YMCA and as a Youth Specialist for Muskegon County Juvenile Detention Center. Shannon loved being out in nature and would often spend hours out in the woods enjoying what nature had to offer. He liked classic cars, playing Dungeons and Dragons, and watching his beloved Pittsburgh Steelers. Nothing matched any time he could spend watching his sons compete in athletics, video games or adventuring outdoors creating memories. The impact that Shannon had on those who knew him and the kids he has helped over the years will be felt for many years to come.

Shannon will be dearly missed by his wife, Barbara; sons, Logan, Jase, and Owen; brothers, Fred (Tammy) Gimenes and Jason (Jamie) Halstead; and Father Nilton (Sandy) Gimenes. He was preceded in death by his mother, Roberta J. Gimenes and sister, Lola Wilber, his niece Sigrid, and stepbrother.

A FUNERAL SERVICE will be 11 AM on Friday, November 1, 2024, at The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services (6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores, MI 49444) and VISITATION with the family 1 hour prior to the service. MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS may be made in honor of Shannon to provide for the future of his boys.



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The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services is honored to be serving the Gimenes family. To share special memories with the family and sign the online guestbook, please visit www.sytsemaf.com.



Events


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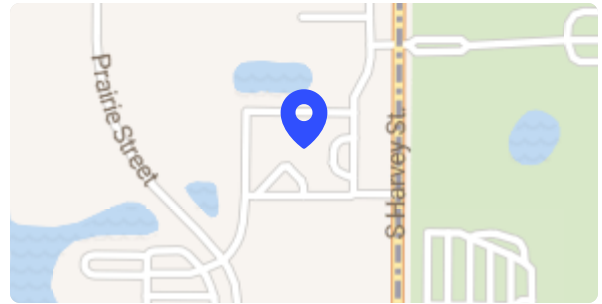
Visitation

 **Friday**, November 1, 2024

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET


 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel**

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444



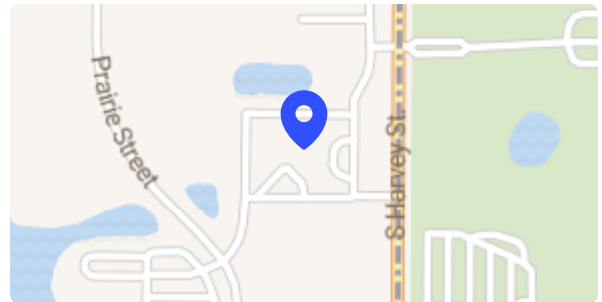
Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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FF

From Cpl. Carter And Family sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Gimenes family.

October 30 at 1:07 PM



FF

From Cpl. Carter And Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Shannon.

October 30 at 1:07 PM



NS

Nana, Destiny And Mac Schulte sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Gimenes family.

October 30 at 8:39 AM



NS

Nana, Destiny And Mac Schulte planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Shannon.

October 30 at 8:39 AM



NS

Nana Schulte posted:

We are deeply sorry for your loss. Our hearts aches for you and your family during this incredibly difficult time. No words can ease the pain you must be feeling, but I remember the words Shannon said to me at my husband Bill's passing. "He was my friend and he will be missed and I will remember him always." His words gave me comfort and some peace of mind, I hope the same for you. Shannon was a friend to many and will be missed and fondly remembered always. Thoughts and prayers. Nana, Destiny and Mac Schulte

October 30 at 8:14 AM



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Anne Abd Fritz Cheek posted:

We will always hold a special place in our hearts for Shannon. The 13 years he spent at camp with us were so memorable because he gave it all he had. We remember his devotion to camp and to the kids that he mentored. He was a part of a very special time at camp. We remember seeing him in his army uniform, from head to toe, just beaming. He was very proud of that. We also remember his treks out in the golf carts for target practice with his buddies, James, Mark, and Chuck. It is heartwarming to know that he made such strong friendships from his time at Camp Copneconic. It can be said that he made a difference in many children's lives. Years pass so quickly, and we lost touch with Shannon. It doesn't diminish our memories of him. I, however, would like to extend our sympathies to his wife and sons. It looks like he had a beautiful family. Only diehard fans of Shannon, will appreciate this, but Fritz says he is going to crack open a can of Mountain Dew today in his honor. Such sad news. May you rest in peace, our friend.

October 29 at 2:25 PM



Anthony De Lorme posted:

A true friend, he will be missed. Thoughts to Barb and the boys Anthony de Lorme

October 29 at 8:51 AM



Deepest Love And Sympathy, Kay Thomas sent a Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet to the Gimenes family.



October 29 at 5:23 AM



Deepest Love And Sympathy, Kay Thomas planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Shannon.



October 29 at 5:23 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Shannon.



October 29 at 3:12 AM



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James Fawcett, Missy Vincent, Mark Krist sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Gimenes family.

October 28 at 3:15 PM



James Fawcett, Missy Vincent, Mark Krist planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Shannon.

October 28 at 3:15 PM



Anonymous sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Gimenes family.

October 28 at 3:13 PM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Gimenes family.

October 28 at 2:40 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Shannon.

October 28 at 2:40 PM



1-18 Inf Family sent an Ocean Breeze Spray to the Gimenes family.

October 28 at 1:04 PM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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