



## William "Bill" V Gant Jr.

April 23, 1928 - October 11, 2021

Air Force Staff Sergeant William (Bill) Virgil Gant, Jr., 93, of Richmond, TX passed away on October 11, 2021. He was born on April 23, 1928 in Electra, TX to the late William Virgil Gant, Sr. and Camille Wagner Gant.

Bill did his duty to his country serving in the Air Force during the Korean War. During his service with the 27th Fighter Escort Wing he received recognition for the Republic of Korea (ROK) Korean Presidential Unit Citation (PUC), Korean Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal and United Nations Service Medal. He received an Honorable Discharge from the Air Force of the United States on July 1, 1952.

His love of mathematics and other skills learned in the military would be useful in his new profession – planning, surveying, mapping and building roads and bridges in Alaska! After Korea, he loaded his possessions in his car and drove to the US Territory of Alaska where he worked for the government. After statehood, Bill went to work for the State of Alaska, where he spent the next several years, living and loving the remoteness. Bill moved back to El Campo early in life to retire and to care for his parents.

Bill's sister, Gloria, and her husband, Edmund Holub, were avid square dancers and they successfully recruited Bill to dancing, where he met the love of his life, Lorraine Dornak Pasak, a widow. Bill was preceded in death by his

wife Lorraine, his parents, his sister Gloria Holub and her husband Edmund.

He is survived by his step-son Callen Pasak and wife Rosalyn, step-daughter Gayle Pasak Browning and husband Bill. Granddaughter Jennifer Orta and husband Scott, and their children, Austin Orta (currently stationed in Fairbanks, Alaska), and Ember Orta. Grandson Dale Garner, and his children Lillian Rose Garner and Jameson Garner. Grandson David Browning. Grandson Eric Browning and wife Rita, and their children Scarlett Browning and Hazel Browning. Niece Kim Holub Goynes and husband Fred, great niece Rachael Goynes Eilts and husband Jon and their children Ella Presley, Quentin Zerr and Zoe Olivia; great nephew Tyler Goynes. Nephew Farryl Holub and wife Marti, great niece Jessica Rumbaugh, her husband Ben and their children Kai and Bailey. And great niece Jillian Pace, her husband Will and their daughter Blakelee.

Memorial service will be held at 4 pm on Wednesday, October 20, 2021, at Triska Funeral Home with Deacon Larry Hoelscher officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to Everyday Heroes, P. O. Box 348, El Campo, TX 77437.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT **20**. 4:00 PM (CT)

Triska Funeral Home  
612 Merchant Street  
El Campo, TX 77437-3440  
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# Tribute Wall

KA

“ Kari lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" V Gant Jr.



kari - October 25, 2021 at 11:33 PM

CR

“ Cindy Riha lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" V Gant Jr.



Cindy Riha - October 15, 2021 at 11:39 PM

PD

“ Patricia Dybala lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" V Gant Jr.



Patricia Dybala - October 15, 2021 at 10:18 AM

RC

“ Robert & Becky Chomout lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" V Gant Jr.



Robert & Becky Chomout - October 15, 2021 at 09:36 AM

JS

“ *Julie Strnadel sent a virtual gift in memory of William "Bill" V Gant Jr.*



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**Julie Strnadel** - October 15, 2021 at 08:45 AM