

DAVE GARRISON



Dave was born June 16, 1948, in Waynesburg, PA, to Ralph and Betty Garrison. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Cynthia Patterson Garrison; his sons Michael, wife Sarah and grandsons Ian and Aidan; Jeffrey, wife Aura and grandsons Xavier and Demitri; and Eric and partner Melaine and children Tyler, Andrew and Kristiana, Julian and Mallory. He is also survived by his sister Janet; and brother Brian; and

preceded in death by his brother Randy. Dave graduated from West Virginia University, with degrees in Biology and Aquatic Ecology, and was employed as an environmental consultant, until health issues caused him to be permanently disabled. He turned his disabled status into a lifetime of service for others as an Elder and a Deacon at his church, leading a "Grief Share" Program, which helps others as they struggle with the loss of a loved one, and volunteering in the Pastoral Care Program at Canonsburg Hospital. Dave volunteered as an assistant coach with his boys' baseball teams and enjoyed helping plan the Pinto Classic Baseball Tournaments. He also enjoyed golf outings with his buddies, and playing guitar. He was also an avid hunter and sportsman. One of Dave's greatest joys was having the grandchildren visit and spend time going to parks, museums and, best of all, going to a different ice cream place every night for dessert. Plagued by health issues, Dave was a walking miracle for 46 years, having had a heart transplant in 2002. He was forever grateful to the mother who allowed her child's heart to be donated to him. A kidney transplant in 2018 was possible with son, Michael, being the donor. The family encourages friends and extended family to join them at Canonsburg United Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 112 West Pike Street, Canonsburg, PA, on August 17, 2024, from 2-5 pm for light refreshments to view pictures encompassing his 76 years and to share stories, pictures, and fond memories of Dave as we celebrate his life.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations made to Canonsburg UP Church for the Grief Share program or to the Pastoral Care program at Canonsburg Hospital.

Arrangements are entrusted to **SOLLON FUNERAL AND CREMATION SERVICES, LTD**, 30 East College Street, Canonsburg, PA 15317, Phillip L. Sollon, supervisor, 724-746-1000.

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