



William R. "Bill" Gehring

June 7, 1933 - February 22, 2025

William R. Gehring, age 91, of Rensselaer, Indiana, passed away peacefully at I.U. Health in Lafayette on February 22, 2025, surrounded by his loving wife, children, and many grandchildren. Bill was born on June 7, 1933, in North Judson, Indiana, the son of William Matthew & Lillian (Dolezal) Gehring.

Bill graduated from North Judson High School, the Class of 1951. He attended St. Joseph's College for two years and was then drafted into the U.S. Army where he served his country in Germany during the Korean War. Upon returning home, he married the love of his life, Margaret A. "Peg" Capouch, who survives. Bill and his brother were co-owners of Gehring Farms, where they farmed in Newland, Indiana.

Bill was active in his community and served on the Jasper County Sheriff's Merit Board, the Mint Industry Research Council, the American Legion, Post #29, a life member of the Knights of Columbus, Bishop Dwenger Council 1881 and was a long-time member of St. Augustine Catholic Church. Bill, in his later years, enjoyed growing roses and tending to his vegetable garden and caring for his yard. He enjoyed traveling with his family and spending the winters in Scottsdale, AZ. However, he was most proud of his children and grandchildren and enjoyed cheering them on in their sporting activities.

He is survived by his wife, Peg, eight children, Dr. David (Mara) Gehring of

Washington D.C; William "Bill" (Gwynne) Gehring of Hebron, IN; Donna (Stephen) Chalko of Fishers, IN; Barbara (David) Skinner, Susan (Gregg) Kanne, James (Tamara) Gehring and Lynn (Chris) Meeks, all of Rensselaer and Steven (Michele) Gehring of Mishawaka, IN. Also surviving are two brothers, Dan (Carol) Gehring & Rev. Robert Gehring; sister-in-law Elsie Cepican of Scottsdale, 23-grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces & nephews.

He was preceded in death by a brother, James Joseph Gehring & one sister, Mary Ellen Walter.

Friends are invited to visit with the family on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, from 9:00AM to 12:00PM at St. Augustine Catholic Church in Rensselaer. A Funeral Mass will be held at the church at 12:00PM with Father Rick Nagel officiating. Interment will be at Saint Jacob Cemetery in North Judson, Indiana with full military rites.

In memory of Bill Gehring and in lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial contribution to the St. Augustine Catholic Church (<https://www.osvhub.com/sa-augustine-parish/giving/funds>), St. Augustine Catholic School (<https://s-augustine.org/>) or the Charity of the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Saint Jacob Cemetery

Saint Jacob Cemetery
North Judson, IN 46366

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 25. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Augustine Catholic Church
318 North McKinley Avenue
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5351
<https://stmichaelpastorate.org/>

Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall



“ *Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 24, 2025 at 12:59 PM

BG

Thank you for the tribute to Dad! Love it

Bill Gehring - February 24, 2025 at 07:09 PM

SG

What a great guy! What a great family! Bill was a good neighbor and friend and very good to me at the time Jeff and I were getting started farming. He will be missed! Sending pleasant thoughts and condolences to Peg and family.

Scott and Brenda Green - February 25, 2025 at 11:25 AM

BS

“ *Jim, Tammy, and girls, you are in our thoughts and prayers. We are so sorry for your loss. All our love. Beth and Samantha Salyer.*

Beth Salyer - February 26, 2025 at 07:30 PM

JL

“ Hello Gehring Family. My heart goes out to you all for the loss of Mr Gehring. I know you have so many wonderful memories of Dad/Grandpa to fill you with joy during this season of grief and forevermore. One of my first memories of him was when I stayed the night at the house as a kid (I'm thinking Karen Moriarity was there also.) I can picture him dressed in farmware and being the nicest and most welcoming man. Another big pleasure was to attend sports events with him and family while cheering on Sue's and my kids.💕💕



Joan Lindstrom - February 26, 2025 at 06:12 AM

MB

“ Mr. Gehring was such a great guy. When I was in college in South Texas, he would from time to time fly down to check on crops in the Rio Grande Valley.. He would always contact me and we would catch up over lunch (he paid)!

Dave, I am so sorry for you and your family's loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Myles

Myles Beeching - February 24, 2025 at 05:48 PM

TJ

“ Mr. Gehring was one of the kindest persons I've ever met. I always enjoyed visiting the Gehring household growing up. He and Peg were always kind, funny and made me feel like family, even though they had eight kids of their own. We lost an amazing man, but heaven gained a true giant. God speed.

Tom Jennings - February 24, 2025 at 04:48 PM

LM

“ *Lori Prohosky Mattos lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring*



Lori Prohosky Mattos - February 24, 2025 at 02:57 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 24, 2025 at 02:47 PM

JA

“ *On behalf of the Ahler and Spagnolo family our thoughts and memories fall on Bill and his wonderfully kind and loving wife Peg and their children. A better man, friend, scout leader, neighbor, parish member, farmer, athletic supporter you will not find. Rest in Peace... John and Melissa Ahler/Mary and Don Spagnolo*



john ahler - February 24, 2025 at 02:38 PM



“ *I'm so sorry to read this. Prayers for all of Bill's family. So many wonderful stories that can be told and shared about him.*

Marsha Gratner - February 24, 2025 at 01:32 PM

DW

“ Our sincere sympathy to you Peg and your family. May the hand of God, friends and your lovely memories follow you in the time to come. We loved it on the Hill for 30 years with all of you. Wish we could be with you now.
Love, Don & Gloria



Don & Gloria Waymouth - February 24, 2025 at 01:06 PM



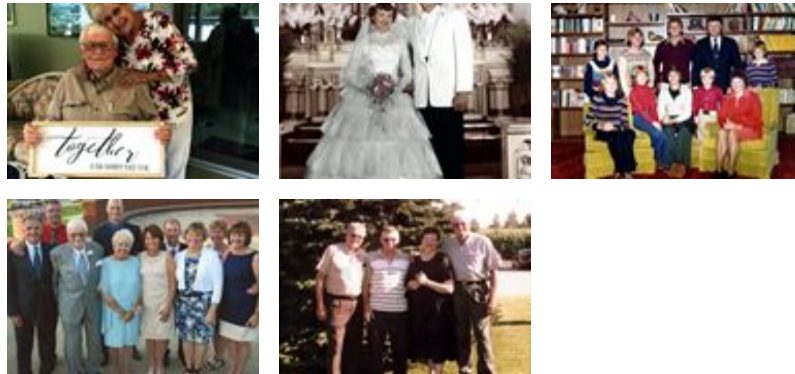
“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of William R. "Bill" Gehring.



February 24, 2025 at 12:47 PM



“ 17 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 24, 2025 at 12:37 PM



“ Otis ZOFIA Anselm



Otis and ZOFIA Anselm - February 24, 2025 at 12:12 PM



“ 64 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jackson Funeral Chapels - February 24, 2025 at 11:35 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of William R. "Bill" Gehring.



February 24, 2025 at 11:13 AM

HL

“ Homer And Theresa Lakin lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring



Homer and Theresa Lakin - February 24, 2025 at 09:21 AM

JS

“ Jim Steiner lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring



Jim Steiner - February 24, 2025 at 09:14 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William R. "Bill" Gehring.



February 24, 2025 at 09:12 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William R. "Bill" Gehring.

February 24, 2025 at 09:12 AM

JS

“ Dear Peg and all the Gehring family thank you so very much for all the wonderful memories you gave to our family. Bill will be missed but his kindness, compassion and love will live on in Peg his wonderful wife and family.

Judie Steiner - February 24, 2025 at 08:02 AM

MA

“ Marilynlowry lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring



Marilynlowry - February 24, 2025 at 07:53 AM

MA

This is from myself To Alberts sr. And my sister Linda Scotto rip

Marilynlowry - February 24, 2025 at 07:55 AM

MA

Sorry Tom

Marilynlowry - February 24, 2025 at 07:56 AM

RS

“ Prayers and Sympathies to your family. May God comfort you and give you many precious memories.

Roger and Vicki Steffen - February 24, 2025 at 07:00 AM

LK

“ Larry And Judy Koebcke lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring



Larry and Judy Koebcke - February 23, 2025 at 11:49 PM

GS

“ Gary Sheffer lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring



Gary Sheffer - February 23, 2025 at 11:38 PM

JM

“ Jerry Miller lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring



Jerry Miller - February 23, 2025 at 10:35 PM

BJ

“ End of an era, so many memories out there on “The Hill” with the “Hill Billie’s.” The Gehrings have been a part of my life for 58 years, I am sure you will rest in peace Mr. Gehring, I have wonderful memories of you...

Beth Jackson - February 23, 2025 at 09:20 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of William R. "Bill" Gehring.*



February 23, 2025 at 09:12 PM



“ *A few years back my dad had dementia and Bill reached out wanting to get with dad and spend some time with him, but he didn't want to put my dad in an embarrassing situation. So we went out to Dairy Queen for lunch and Bill acted like he was just out there. He sat down with my dad and he was so compassionate and gentle. Mom brought a photo album and they looked at pictures and talked about old times. I'm not sure how much dad did remember but I hadn't seen him smile so big and I know he was really happy when we left. Bill will always be remembered as a nice, gentle soul. Thank you Bill!*

Linda DeMoss - February 23, 2025 at 07:52 PM



“ *Heartfelt condolences to the family and friends, may you RIP. ☐*

Elaine Gembala - February 23, 2025 at 07:39 PM



“ *Mr. Gehring such a awesome man, friend, employer, caring person great neighbor friend, father, husband, brother it goes on and on he filled so many hearts, God Bless Prayers R.I.P*



Greg Dobson - February 23, 2025 at 07:26 PM

JB

“ *Judy Burvan lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring*



Judy Burvan - February 23, 2025 at 07:19 PM

JB

What a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, and friend! I smile as I remember the fun times we had in our younger days at St. A. Bill and Peg are the kind of people we all should try to emulate. No doubt he is resting in heaven and preparing a spot for his favorite gal. Hugs to his precious family. 💔

Judy Burvan - February 23, 2025 at 07:29 PM

GW

“ *Glen And Linda Wood lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring*



Glen and Linda Wood - February 23, 2025 at 07:16 PM

ST

“ *Susie Tolleson lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring*



Susie Tolleson - February 23, 2025 at 06:58 PM

DW

“ Dave And Becky Walter lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring



Dave and Becky Walter - February 23, 2025 at 06:33 PM

AJ

“ Amanda J. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William R. "Bill" Gehring.

Amanda J. - February 23, 2025 at 06:30 PM

DC

“ Dale And Debb Cook lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring



Dale and Debb Cook - February 23, 2025 at 06:14 PM

CH

“ I have so many happy memories of time spent with the Gehring family. He was a great man and lived an exceptional life. Now may he rest in peace.
My deepest sympathy to all the Gehring family.

Cathy (Nagel) Hanna - February 23, 2025 at 06:13 PM

JM

“ *Jim and Sandy Miller*



Jim and Sandy Miller - February 23, 2025 at 05:51 PM

CG

“ *Cathy Prohosky Goin lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring*



Cathy Prohosky Goin - February 23, 2025 at 05:47 PM

DB

“ *David And Kim Berenda lit a candle in memory of William R. "Bill" Gehring*



David and Kim Berenda - February 23, 2025 at 05:43 PM