



## Leevern Leonard "Lee" Gwinner

January 16, 1943 - January 14, 2023

Leevern Leonard "Lee" Gwinner, 79, of Stroudsburg, PA died Saturday, January 14, 2023 in The Gardens at Stroud Assisted Living.

He was born January 16, 1943 in Sofia, WV the son of Leevern and Ruth DeWeese Gwinner.

He was married to Karen O'Donnell for 53 years.

He served in the US Air Force for 4 years.

Professionally, he had worked as a central office technician for Verizon.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his sons James Pugh and his wife, Jess of the Philippines, Brian Gwinner and his wife, Nena of Bristow, VA and Thomas Gwinner and his wife Amy of Cross Junction; grandchildren, Brandi, Brandon, Kyle, Olivia, Noah, Justin, and Jemma; three great-grandchildren, Michael, Joey, and Emily and a sister, Rosemary Garneau and her husband Don of Fairfax, VA.

He was preceded in death and now reunited with his sons Michael and Daniel.

A service will be 11:00 am Monday in Phelps Funeral Chapel 311 Hope Drive Winchester officiated by Pastor Vernon Bray.

Burial will be in Wesley Chapel Cemetery in Cross Junction. Casket bearers will be his grandchildren.

Friends will be received an hour prior to the service in the funeral home

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Lee was a wonderful brother-in-law! My family met him when my sister dated (and later married) him! We were kids in high school and he co-owned a pizzeria. He always gave us free pizza! He was a sweet gentle man and I will never forget his laugh 😊

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**Kathleen Blount** - January 23, 2023 at 10:39 AM

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“ Lee was my brother in law but more like a big brother to me. He was such a kind, gentle, hard working and honest man. I loved him very much.  
He once told me that soldiers don't die, they just go away.  
When my daughter was maybe around 8 years old and was pushed in a pool, he jumped right in to save her. All animals loved him. My dog Riley loved him. He called her "Smiley Riley." He had a cat named KitKat who I'm sure wonders where he is. My wonderful Dad adored and loved Lee. Lee absolutely adored his Grandma too.  
Rest in Peace Lee ❤️

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**Deb O'Donnell** - January 23, 2023 at 09:27 AM