



Johnny Ray Gilden (Bolivar)

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S FC. Johnny R. Gilden (Retired) of Bolivar, Missouri, passed away on Thursday, September 15, 2022, at his home in Bolivar.

He was born on December 17, 1949, in Bolivar to Nadia and Charles Davis.

Johnny enlisted in the Army to fight in the Vietnam War alongside his childhood best friend. After the war, he continued his military career. Johnny found his true calling as a Drill Sergeant in Fort Benning, GA and as a Paratrooper instructor for the 82nd Airborne out of Fort Bragg, NC. Although he loved the military, nothing was more important to him than family. After 21 years of service, he retired and returned home to Bolivar. While in Bolivar, he became active in the DAV, a place where he could continue his service, and where he had many friends and felt a big sense of comradery.

Johnny is survived by his 3 sons and one daughter: Cesar, Jonathan, Robert, and Gissella (Shelly), one brother James, and his sister Connie.

Johnny will always be remembered for his sense of humor and generosity; He was truly one of a kind.

Graveside services with full military honors for Johnny will be held on Saturday, September 24, 2022, beginning at 12:00 PM at Enon Cemetery in Morrisville, Missouri.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Bolivar DAV in Johnny's name.

To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Johnny Ray Gilden please visit our Sympathy Store.




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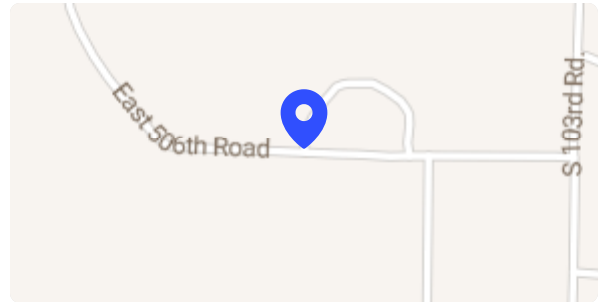
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Graveside Service

 **Saturday**, September 24, 2022

 12:00 PM CT

 **Enon Cemetery**
E 506th RD, Wishart MO 65710





Tribute Wall

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Debbie Lee Wilson posted:

To the most interesting man in the world. Thank you for all the beautiful things you gave me, I can see you everywhere and I know you're really not gone. I'll always love you and miss you so much. God Bless Papa Johnny's family, he had more love and a kind of special magic than anyone I ever met. My deepest sympathies to you all, and my deepest regrets. Miss him love always Debbie L Wilson Good Bye our Special Angel till we meet again

September 25 at 2:47 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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