



# Robert Lee Gitt

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**R**obert Lee Gitt (Bob) was born November 4th, 1935 and passed away at his Puyallup home after a 7 year battle with lung cancer on August 21st, 2014.

Bob was born in Hildreth, NE to Lee and Marie Gitt and was the youngest of 9 children. Shortly after, they moved to Gibbon, NE where he attended elementary school. In 1947 the family moved to Puyallup, WA where he attended Puyallup Jr/Sr High School.

Bob had a great sense of humor, telling his variety of jokes to anyone who was around. He enjoyed making people laugh and smile. He also loved to tease anyone who would come his way.

He loved phone calls from his children and grandchildren and loved for them to all visit. This would always put a big smile on his face.

Bob loved football, especially the Seahawks and was finally able to see them win their first super bowl. He would also love to place bets during football season and would always take the underdog. When he lost, he would pay the money all in pennies, sometimes all taped together. He was a jokester at heart.

Bob was a loving, kind, and compassionate man who was full of wisdom. He taught his children the value of hard work and how to live life to its fullest.

He loved camping, fishing, and woodworking in his earlier years.

He worked at Safeway after high school for 15 years, Marie's Dressing after that and finally he drove truck for Gitt Brothers/Tacoma Bark Supply until retirement. Driving Truck was one of his most favorite things to do.

Bob lived in Puyallup with his companion Barbara Whitley. He and Barbara attended All Saints Catholic Church in Puyallup and they loved to "head South" to their home in Indio, CA to spend



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their winters.

He is survived by his 3 children, Daryl Lee (Bonnie), Dennis Allan, and Donna Jean Gradin (John), 3 Grandchildren, Joshua Lee Gitt, Brittany Ann Gitt and Jennifer Nicole Gradin, 4 great grandsons, 1 great granddaughter, 1 brother, 1 sister, his loving companion Barbara Whitley, numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

He was preceded in death by 2 great-grandchildren, 6 siblings and wife Donna.

Graveside services will be held Friday Sept. 5th at 12:30pm at Mountain View Funeral Home in the Rose Garden. Prior to services, please gather in the Forest Room at the Mountain View office.



## Tribute Wall

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DW

**Diana Whitley** lit a candle in honor of Robert.



September 4 at 3:40 PM

DW

**Diana Whitley** posted:

You became a part of my family 14 years ago. For those 14 years you had been a fun, loving companion for my Mom, but also a Dad, Grandpa, and Great-Grandpa. You are very much loved, and to be very selfish on my part, you went too soon. Yes, I witnessed the decline of your health these past months and the health struggles you have had for years, but I already miss you! You have left a gap in my life. I know you were struggling with pain and the ability to breathe, but, I wasn't ready for you to go. Sadly, you were ready... R.I.P. Bob!!! I love you and miss you. You were a great addition to our family!!!

September 4 at 3:25 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Gitt family.



September 3 at 6:49 AM



**Anonymous** sent a European Sympathy Dish Garden to the Gitt family.



September 2 at 11:11 AM

JG

**John Gradin** posted:

Bob, Thank you for 34 years of memories. We had some great times together especially up at Lake Cushman. Remember when we were getting ready to go fishing and my boat wouldn't start? We were still at the dock and it was hotter than heck and I was troubleshooting the boat and couldn't figure it out and then you said, "Hey, what's that switch for?" Well, it was the safety switch and it was in the off position. We turned it on and away we went. We laughed and laughed about that for years! I couldn't have asked for a better father-in-law, you were the best and I miss you so much! You were always there for me... Thank you for that. John

August 28 at 2:40 PM



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**John Gradin** posted:

Bob , I want to thank you for 34 years of memory's you gave me . Like the time we were at the dock at Lake Cushman about 80 degrees out and the boat wouldn't start , after 20 - 30 minute in the hot sun trying to trouble shoot the problem , you said hey what's that switch for , well it was the safety switch in the off position . LOL I couldn't of asked for a better Father in-law . " You where always there for me" John

August 28 at 1:45 PM



**Donna** shared an album called **New Album Name.**



August 28 at 12:00 PM



**Jennifer Gradin** posted:

As I sit here and think about all the special memories we shared and all the fun times we had it makes me smile to know that you are no longer suffering. I will miss your Super Bowl bets, the special treats you would make for me on my birthday and at Christmas, your constant jokes, and the times you would give me such a hard time I would be in tears. All of those things have helped make me the person I am today. Your sense of humor is one of a kind and I was very fortunate to be able be a part of it and carry that through my own life. To know I got one last visit with you will be something I cherish forever. I love and miss you so incredibly much Grandpa.

August 28 at 11:43 AM



**Lois J. Yelovich** lit a candle in honor of Robert.

BOB, I KNOW YOU ARE UP IN HEAVEN WATCHING DOWN ON ALL OF US, YOU ARE NOW NO LONGER SUFFERING AND UP THERE WITH THE REST OF YOUR FAMILY. \ LOVE LOIS



August 28 at 10:59 AM



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**Cindy Gradin** lit a candle in honor of Robert.

Donna,Daryl, Denny and families.....Your dad was a wonderful man. He always reminded me of my own dad. So friendly and he loved his family so much. I'm going to miss seeing his smile at Christmas. Lots of good memories. Love you all.....

August 28 at 10:46 AM



**Donna Gradin** posted:

Dad, I miss you so much and it was times like these that I would call you just for you to listen or give that much needed advice. You were a smart man and could always make me smile. I am struggling a bit but I know time heals all wounds. Thank you to my 2 brothers for helping me cope and get things done according to your wishes. We are doing the best we can. I know you would be proud to know that. :) Until we meet again in Heaven, I love you!

August 28 at 10:35 AM



**Dennis Gitt** lit a candle in honor of Robert.

I LOVE YOU DAD, REST IN PEACE. TELL EVERYONE HELLO UP THERE IN HEAVEN

August 28 at 7:57 AM





Donna shared a photo to the **New Album Name** album.

August 28 at 12:00 PM





# Memories only last if you share them

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



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