



## John Gant

June 15, 1941 - September 5, 2013

A dreamer looked out over these waters.

He was a man with strong hands and arms willing to give hugs.

This man was our Father.

He had a sturdy mind with many opinions which he was not afraid to share.

He has in his lifetime built structures with such technical skill they stand as a reminder to his ability.

The beautiful home that I love so much was built with his hands, so resilient in fact not even a hurricane could bring it down.

And that is synonymous with our Dad so resilient with his head in the clouds, because land was too small to hold his ideas and dreams.

What we have learned in life from our Dad is that there is always a way to accomplish what needs to be done. It may not be simple or even your preferred choice but you can make it happen!

Our Dad was not much for fru fru. He had more simple taste. I think we can agree that sometimes it's the simple un-messed with things that are the best.

What we will remember about Dad is that no matter what was going on in his life he would drop anything to be there for us as a family. We know because of this simple act that you have to give when you can.

What we will treasure about Dad is the homemade milk shakes and ginormous bowls of ice cream (sometimes less restraint is a good thing), the afternoon kite flying, the lessons on car maintenance, the impromptu picnic lunch with a pepperoni stick, Italian baguette and butter, the driving lessons in

a truck with a standard transmission, the art of debate, the appreciation of good construction or of anything that is put together well, the love of living near the water, the fact that hard work is actually good for you, the idea that being born female did not equal weakness, the knowledge that he forgave us even when we deserved his disappointment because he grew up in a household where forgiveness was not given, and of course his offbeat sense of humor.

The lessons he taught that will be with us for a lifetime, you are responsible for your actions and the idea of fairness, “a deal is a deal”.

Godspeed Dad may you now dwell in a paradise beyond your dreams compare.

John Francis Gant, resident of Kimbolton, Ohio and former resident of Punta Gorda, Florida

Born June 15, 1941. John is survived by his daughters Michelle Sager and Tina Herl, Son in Law John A. Sager, sisters, Mary Behnke, Martha Damron, and Ruth Gonzer and grandchildren John Anthony Sager and Nicole Sager.

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