



## William Lonzo Ganis

December 15, 1942 - January 30, 2026

William Lonzo Ganis, at age 83, of Ellicott City, MD passed away on January 30th at 1:30 pm. He was born in Mullins, SC on December 15, 1942, the son of the late William Jamie and Estelene Shelley Ganis of Horry County, SC. He grew up in the family home on a working tobacco farm.

He is survived by his wife, Gail Schilling Ganis of Ellicott City, MD; daughter, Suzanne Gail Ganis of Laurel, MD; brother, Joe Ganis of Winchester, VA; and sister, Wanda Lee of Marion, SC. He was preceded in death by his son, Keith William Ganis of Crofton, MD on February 18, 2014; sister, Jean Hubbard of Litchfield Park, AZ; and sister, Ellen Shelley of Mullins, SC.

He met Gail in 1961 while both were working for the Central Intelligence Agency. They married on February 2, 1963 and were married for almost 63 years. He worked for the CIA as a Systems Analyst Manager for 37 years before retiring in 1997. He was a kind and gentle man who cared about his family, friends, and all who knew him. He loved traveling, Nascar, country music, and learning about everything. His journey is over and he lived a full and meaningful life. Remember When...

A private family visit at Lakemount Memorial Gardens in Davidsonville, MD will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or St. Jude Hospital.

Songs: Remember When

Prayer: Psalm 23

# Tribute Wall

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“ Lon. We will always love you and miss you. Our memories are our trips with Gail and you . They were so special.

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**diane and dave wilbur** - February 11 at 06:16 PM

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“ My wife and I met Lon (that is how we knew him) when we moved into our new home in Ellicott City. I became a member of the HOA Board and Lon was already a member and the driving force for our Building and Grounds Committee. We worked together and I got to know a bit about him. He was friendly, very helpful and always resourceful. I could count on him for excellent advice regarding our community and our home. I knew he was not well recently but hoped that he would recover. He will be sorely missed by my wife and myself and many in our community. Ira Diamond (Linda)

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**Ira Diamond** - February 04 at 03:51 PM