

Gary Dunn Ramsburg

Gary Dunn Ramsburg died at Sentara Hospice House in Virginia Beach on Monday, May 21, 2018, at the age of 70.

Gary was born in Winchester, Virginia, to the late Ella Dunn Ramsburg and George Hansen Ramsburg.

He is survived by his wife of 14 years, Diane Collins; a son, Mike Jenkins; a granddaughter, Britney Owens (Matt), and two great grandchildren, Riley and Kyleigh; four stepchildren, James Cochran (Nell), Kathleen Clark (Alec), Ian Austin (Cameron), and Nathaniel Brannon (Tiffany); eight step grandchildren, David Cochran, Andrew Cochran, Austin Clark, Mikala Clark, Mira Austin, Levi Austin, Peyton Brannon, and Lucas Brannon; and a sister, Brenda Luttrell (Russell). He was preceded in death by his parents, and by his wife of 23 years, Lee Cochrane Ramsburg.

Gary was an expert in numerous facets of construction, with special expertise in commercial, industrial, and residential roofing applications and historical restoration. His career in the construction industry spanned over forty years. Gary served as President of the Virginia Association of Roofing Professionals (VARP) and was a member of the Board of Directors of the National Roofing Contractors Association. During his tenure on that board, he was a member of the American Institute of Architects Relations Committee, the Steel Deck Task Force, and was a Technical Liaison to the Single Ply Roofing Institute. He received the VARP Contractor of the Year Award in 2002 and 2004. He was also a member

of the Owens Corning contractor advisory board, a participating/voting member of ASTM (American Society for Testing Materials) International, and a member of RCI (Roofing Contractors International).

In 2004, Gary was appointed by Governor Mark Warner to represent Virginia's roofing industry as a member of the Governor's Task Force for Work Force Development in the Construction Industry. Gary was also instrumental in the formation of the Virginia Roofing Apprenticeship Program in conjunction with VARP and the Virginia Community College System, and he provided educational seminars in roofing technology and history for American Institute of Architects Continuing Education System through VARP.

He was an active member and trustee of Wesley Grace United Methodist Church in Norfolk, and the Finance Officer of Water's Edge Partnership, Inc., a Christian family on mission serving Jesus in Norfolk and other locations around the Chesapeake Bay.

A lover of music, a devoted family man, and a follower of the Lord Jesus Christ, Gary's kindness, compassion, honesty, integrity, selflessness, and love touched the lives of all who knew him.

A service to celebrate his life will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 2, 2018, at Wesley Grace United Methodist Church, located at 288 E. Little Creek Road in Norfolk.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Food Bank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore (visit www.foodbankonline.org for donation information).