



## Gary Francis Altenburg

June 14, 1953 - December 22, 2022

Gary Francis Altenburg passed away suddenly on December 22, 2022. He was 69 years old.

Gary was born in Brooklyn, NY, on June 14, 1953, to the late Howard Altenburg and Margaret Nolan. Gary attended Catholic Parochial School in New York. This early foundation established a lifetime of dedicated faith for Gary.

He moved to West Virginia in the 1980s, where he met Robin, the love of his life. They raised two children in Clarksburg, WV, where Gary focused on his volunteer work at the local Catholic parish.

Gary enjoyed studying genealogy, as well as finding hidden treasures and selling on eBay. He also loved fishing, crabbing, and being on the water. One of his favorite pastimes was hanging out with all of his wonderful Queens Landing friends. He never met a stranger and enjoyed finding common ground and sharing stories with everyone he met. He was most proud of his children and their accomplishments.

Along with his parents, he is predeceased by sisters, Margaret DeMott Cassa and Kathleen DeMott Chittum.

He is survived by wife, Robin Altenburg of Chester, MD; three children, Tracey (Christos) Alexandrou of Round Hill, VA, Alexander Altenburg (fiance Kayla Daughtrey) of TX, and Alexis Altenburg of Manhattan, NY; sister, Irene DeMott Hazlett of Staunton, VA; brother-in-law Jerry Chittum of Stuarts Draft, VA; a special nephew, Thomas Hazlett who saved his life in 1989 when he had a heart attack in the woods while hunting; nephews, David Hazlett and Danny Newman; and nieces, Debbie Newman and Katelyn Davis.

A funeral Mass will be held on Wednesday, December 28, at 11:00 a.m., at St. Christopher's Catholic Church in Chester, MD.

In lieu of flowers, you may make a contribution to the Mustard Seed in Clarksburg, WV, where he spent countless hours volunteering, at [www.clarksburgmustardseed.org](http://www.clarksburgmustardseed.org).

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

DEC **28**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St Christopher's Catholic Church  
1861 Harbor Drive  
Chester, MD 21619

# Tribute Wall



“ Gary Francis Altenburg

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. My husband and I had the good fortune to live across the street from Robin and Gary. We remained friends after moving from Bridgeport to Scott Depot wv. Gary talked me through a very bad time. I had open heart surgery in October of 2022 .Gary checked on me boosted my spirits. Giving me pep talks. The last text I received was December 9th I will always cherish that support. Thoughts and prayers to Gary's family

Pam Huldren - February 19, 2023 at 12:45 AM



“ Gary Francis Altenburg

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ Gary Francis Altenburg

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Gary's death(my cousin). I last saw him when he came to visit me in Myrtle Beach, SC.years ago. My sincere condolences to Robin and family.



Frances Nolan Elliott - January 17, 2023 at 06:25 PM

DP

“ Gary, always brought smiles to the Mustard Seed. He made everyone feel special, regardless of needs or troubles. God’s blessings flowed through this exceptional man. Our hearts ache for his beloved family. Today I feel too far away from you all, Dolores Yoke

Dolores Yoke, Mustard Seed president - December 28, 2022 at 10:19 AM

KA

“ Im so sorry to hear of Garys passing he and Robin just did the wedding planning for my sons wedding 3 weeks ago . He was a very nice man . My condolences to Robin and his family. Your family will be in Our prayers ,Kathi and Kenny Armiger



Kathleen Armiger - December 27, 2022 at 07:14 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gary Francis Altenburg.



December 27, 2022 at 05:44 PM

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“ Eastern Shore Dental Care lit a candle in memory of Gary Francis Altenburg



Eastern Shore Dental Care - December 27, 2022 at 03:47 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Gary Francis Altenburg.



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December 27, 2022 at 12:34 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams* was purchased for the family of Gary Francis Altenburg.



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December 25, 2022 at 05:46 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Gary Francis Altenburg.



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December 25, 2022 at 02:48 PM



“ *Enduring Grace* was purchased for the family of Gary Francis Altenburg.



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December 25, 2022 at 01:27 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Gary Francis Altenburg.*



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December 25, 2022 at 11:31 AM



“ *I am an ole friend of Gary's from years passed when we lived in Verona VA. I have memories of our visits and friendships we had back in our younger days. My condolences and prayers for his family and friends. God bless.*

*Steve Edwards  
Chesterfield Va*

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**Steve Edwards** - December 25, 2022 at 09:17 AM



“ *I met Garry this September when i visited my friend. We immediately had a connection and talked for hours. I only spent a short time with him, but from day one he made me feel like i'm already a part of Queens Landing and after I left, he kept writing me and telling me that he is excited when i come back to visit. It hurts me deeply knowing, the next time I will be in Queens Landing, I won't be able to continue all these great conversations with you.*

*Garry I will forever be your Viking and I promise I will learn all about the history, like you told me to. Rest easy my friend!*

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**Mir Jam** - December 25, 2022 at 07:48 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Gary Francis Altenburg.*



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December 24, 2022 at 05:04 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary Francis Altenburg.*



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December 24, 2022 at 04:24 PM



“ *Ashley sent a virtual gift in memory of Gary Francis Altenburg*



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**Ashley** - December 24, 2022 at 02:32 PM