



Leonard Arthur Gadow

May 26, 1943 - January 19, 2015

Leonard Arthur Gadow, "Ducky," went to be with our Lord on Monday, January 19, 2015, surrounded by his loving family. Leonard was born May 26, 1943, the son of the late Leonard Edward Gadow and Laura Prahm Gadow.

Leonard spent over forty years of his life as Owner/Operator of Gadow's Body Shop in Preston, MD, where in later years his son, Bryan, joined the business. Leonard had an expertise in body restoration that has been recognized in national magazines. He also received awards for restoring antique vehicles to their original status. Most recently he became the proud owner of a 1978 Dodge Warlock.

Mr. Gadow enjoyed his early years working on the family farms and assisting with the family business: Gadow's Gravel, which served the State of Maryland and several County Roads. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and crabbing with his brothers and brother-in-law, J.R., as well as a multitude of special friends. Due to his family heritage, on his mother's side, he had a passion for Indian artifacts and had a significant collection of arrowheads.

Farming and gardening were a family trait that Ducky inherited. He and Carole tended their flower garden that deserved to be published in Southern Living Magazine. He has a signed postcard in the garden which reads "A Little Peace of Heaven." His brother-in-law, J.R., once said to him "You are going to work

yourself to death in this garden” and he expressed that “There would be no better place to be.” He requested that his ashes be spread over this garden.

He is survived by his wife of 15 years, Carole Bateman Gadow; a son, Bryan Wade Gadow (Kim) of Federalsburg, MD; two daughters, Kristen Gadow Lednum, of, LaPlata, MD, and Jill Gadow Priestley (Jay) of Nashua, NH; his brothers, Donald E. Gadow (Glynda), of Amory, MS, Wayne M. Gadow (Sandy) of Amory, MS; three sisters, Joan Gadow Glime (Bill) of Salisbury, Helen Gadow Stone (Fred), Lake City, FL, and Bonnie Gadow Wooters, (J.R.) of Easton, MD. He also leaves to cherish his memory his grandchildren, Alyssa Lednum, Nathaniel Lednum, Macy, and her twin sisters - Isabella and Lila Priestley; as well as the Bateman Family, and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by newborn twin sisters. He leaves behind his beloved dogs, Sadie and Maddy.

Friends may visit and share with the family at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., 200 S. Harrison St., Easton, MD, on Thursday, January 22, from 6 to 8 p.m. Services will be held at the Unity-Washington United Methodist Church, Cabin Creek, Hurlock RD and Oak St., Hurlock, MD on Friday, January 23, at 11 a.m. A fellowship of sharing will be held after the church services.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Compass Regional Hospice, 255 Comet Drive, Centreville, Md. 21617, Bonnie Hilghman Cancer Fund, c/o Mid-Shore Community Foundation, The Bullitt House, 102 East Dover St., Easton, Maryland 21601 or the Preston Volunteer Fire Dept., 3680 Choptank Road, Preston, MD 21655.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Easton Location
200 S Harrison St
Easton, MD 21601
(410) 822-3131
info@fhnfuneralhome.com

Service

JAN **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Unity Washington
Hurlock, MD

Tribute Wall



“ Leonard Arthur Gadow

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ Leonard Arthur Gadow

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ Leonard Arthur Gadow

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ Leonard was a kind man. My Husband and I enjoyed conversation with him when we saw him. Our thoughts and prayers are with his Family. Rest in Peace Leonard.

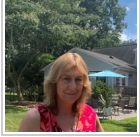


Jeff and Debbie Chambers - January 27, 2015 at 09:42 PM



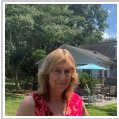
Jeff and Debbie, Thanks so much for sharing. No words can express how important our family and friends are during this difficult time. He was always a pleasure to be around.

Bonnie Wooters - January 30, 2015 at 07:45 PM



“ Leonard... I will never say goodbye because we will meet again where there will never be anything but love and beauty forever. I have so many memories of fun times together growing up and wonderful times as adults. We shared some fun visits with Teresa, Kristen, Bryan and Jill when they were kids. Fred loves telling stories of the great crab feasts we had together through the years, all the pranks you all pulled off all of your adventures through the years. We will have our memories of our times together forever. Just remember not to try making perfume with mom's roses in heaven. It didn't work when we tried it when we were kids, huh!? I love you my dear brother.

Teresa Sensibaugh - January 21, 2015 at 11:12 AM



Of course, this message is from your dear sister, Helen Delores Gadow Stone!

Teresa Sensibaugh - January 21, 2015 at 01:31 PM

BG

Aunt Helen, visiting your house as a kid was always a special treat. And, believe it or not, I think I've still got a couple of those paper pads you gave us!

Dad loved you very much, as do we!

Bryan Gadow - January 21, 2015 at 10:27 PM

DS

“ Denny & Patsy Stevenson lit a candle in memory of Leonard Arthur Gadow



Denny & Patsy Stevenson - January 20, 2015 at 10:27 PM

BW

Denny and Patsy, your thoughts are appreciated.

Bonnie Wooters - January 20, 2015 at 11:23 PM

MB

“ *Mike Bradley lit a candle in memory of Leonard Arthur Gadow*



mike bradley - January 20, 2015 at 08:14 PM

BW

Mike your thoughtfulness is appreciated.

Bonnie Wooters - January 20, 2015 at 10:27 PM

GG

“ *My dear Uncle Leonard....I don't know which memories are my favorite. There are so many!!! You were always the clown of them all. You made everyone laugh and could tell the best stories even better than Pop Pop. I loved to go visit and you cook crabs and crab cakes and loved the time we filled up the swimming pool when I stayed with y'all and it busted. You always enjoyed sharing my Southern Drawl with all your friends and loved to hear me say "Do it again"! That rings over and over in my head. I will cherish the last few visits you came here...we had so many gardening plans. You will be missed dearly.*

Bryan, Kristen, and Jill....along with the other family will be in my prayers with the hard days ahead. Your dad was the best and I will always be proud he was my uncle and a big part of my childhood and life!!!

Gayle George - January 20, 2015 at 03:14 PM

BW

Family is so important and we appreciate your thoughts.

Bonnie Wooters - January 20, 2015 at 10:30 PM

GA

Yes, it is Aunt Bonnie. I know you have a really hard time this last year. You lean on your siblings during this time. Love you so much!!!! And tell uncle Jr. I love him too...I know he was very close to Uncle Leonard too.

Gayle - January 21, 2015 at 05:26 PM

BG

As a kid, those visits from you & Uncle Donald were always a big deal. I used to brag to my friends about my Mississippi relatives! The last time the 3 brothers were together in MD I watched them play in the yard of the old Gadow homestead, like 3 little boys with Dad being the most excited!

Bryan Gadow - January 21, 2015 at 10:24 PM

GA

Awe....I can just see them. They were always like little kids together. You wouldn't believe all the stories they would sit on the back porch telling here. I think your dad and Larry stayed out there til 2am one night. Larry was really glad he had the chance to meet him. Can only imagine what his next visit would have been like this summer....)-8. Love you guys!

gayle - January 26, 2015 at 05:28 PM

JB

“ *JC & Ann Bateman lit a candle in memory of Leonard Arthur Gadow*



JC & Ann Bateman - January 20, 2015 at 02:26 PM

BW

We thank you for caring.

Bonnie Wooters - January 20, 2015 at 10:27 PM

LP

“ *Lynda And Gene Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Leonard Arthur Gadow*



Lynda and Gene Palmatary - January 20, 2015 at 01:43 PM

LP

Bonnie: Thinking of you with many prayers and blessings during the loss of your brother. May the many memories you have of him always be carried in your hearts. Wishing you and your family strength and peace. Blessings, Lynda and Gene Palmatary

Lynda and Gene Palmatary - January 20, 2015 at 01:45 PM

BW

Gene and Lynda. Your thoughts and prayers are a comfort to us. Thank you for sharing. J.R. and Bonnie

Bonnie Wooters - January 20, 2015 at 10:23 PM

NA

“ *Growing up with Ducky's daughter Kristen and spending the night at each others houses I can never remember a time when he wasn't laughing or smiling. Well except when Kristen and I would get into trouble. He made us laugh, he would cook for us, and he would do anything for us. He will be missed by his family, his friends and his community.*

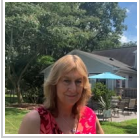


Nancy - January 20, 2015 at 01:33 PM

BW

Nancy, your support and love for Kristen and the family is important to us.

Bonnie Wooters - January 20, 2015 at 10:28 PM



“ *I never saw my Uncle Leonard without a smile on his face. From the time I could remember I was always "Teresa Marie Pebble" to him... (Daddy... Fred, last name... Stone, you get it). I always loved visiting him and will never eat another crab without thinking of Uncle Leonard. Oh and by the way Uncle dear, I promised you I wouldn't tell my Mom and Dad that you let me get that '69 Fastback up to 100 on the test drive... and I never did. You will always be in my heart and I know I have another angel looking down on me. I love you!*

Teresa Sensibaugh - January 20, 2015 at 12:17 PM

BW

Teresa, we know how much you loved your Uncle Leonard and our heart goes out to you.

Bonnie Wooters - January 20, 2015 at 10:29 PM