



Max W. Gould

October 24, 1936 - September 24, 2019

Max W. Gould of Clinton, MD died on Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at the age of 82 years.

Born in Philippi, W. Virginia to Della I. (Powers) Gould and Ralph Gould.

He was raised in Galloway, W. VA and Max graduated from high school in 1954.

Immediately after graduation, Max entered into the US Air Force in June 1954.

Max did his basic training in Laredo Air Force Base in TX. During his time spend in

Laredo, Max met the love of his life. Max married Lelis O. Ramos on December 3, 1957.

In March 1958 Max was assigned to Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas.

During his time at Sheppard AFB, Max and Lelis expanded their family to include a son, John, two daughters Lori and Kelli and then much to their surprise, twin boys Max and Michael.

Max served his country in Vietnam. Lelis held down their home front with help from Mary Ramos, Connie Arce Snead and Norma Arce.

In March of 1968, the family left TX since Max's new assignment was at Andrews Air Force Base, Camp Springs Maryland. As an Aircraft Electronic Engineer, Max was proud that he spent many years maintaining Air Force One. Most of his AF service commitment was spent at Andrews AFB.

In 1980 Max was assigned to Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

His last assignment was Castle Air Force Base, Atwater CA. He was honorably retired after 33 years in 1984. The family returned to Maryland upon his retirement.

He earned a Meritorious Service Medal with 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster; the AF Commendation Medal; AF Outstanding Unit Award w/ Valor Device with 4 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters; AF Good Conduct Medal with 1 Silver and 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters; Army Good Conduct Medal with 1 Bronze Clasp; National Defense Service Medal with 1 Bronze Star; Vietnam Service Medal with 4 Bronze Stars; AF Overseas Long Tour Ribbon; AF Longevity Service Award Ribbon with 1 Silver and 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters; Noncommissioned Officer Professional Military Education Graduation Ribbon; Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon; Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Device and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

Max will be remembered for his jovial spirit and many one-liner jokes. He loved being outdoors and enjoyed being an avid hunter and fisherman. Max loved spending time with his family.

Beloved husband for 62 years to Lelis O. (Ramos) Gould; devoted father of John E. (Peggy) Gould of Boerne, TX, Lori A. Gould of Clinton, MD, Max A. (Mary) Gould of Milford, DE, Michael A. Gould of Clinton, MD and the late Kelli R. Wilson; dear brother of Joan Davis of Oakland, MD, Ted (Rhonda) Gould of Volga, W. VA, and Kenny (Janet) Gould of Grafton, W. VA and the late Pat Gould; loving grandfather of Dr. Julie Gould, Jeremy Gould, Sydney (BJ) Wells, Hannah Wilson, Sarah Wilson, Joseph (Amy) Gould, Matthew Gould, Breanna Gould, Samuel Gould, Elizabeth Gould and the late Jeffery Gould; sweet great-grandfather of Angelina Gould, Ava Gould, Isyan Gould and Khalai Gould.

Max leaves behind many friends and relatives scattered across the United States.

Events

OCT 6 **Viewing** 02:00PM - 04:00PM

Lee Funeral Home - Clinton
6633 Old Alexandria Ferry Road, Clinton, MD, US, 20735

OCT 6 **Viewing** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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OCT 7 **Viewing** 10:00AM - 11:30AM

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OCT 7 **Funeral Service** 11:30AM

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OCT 7 **Interment and Honors** 01:00PM

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery
11301 Crain Hwy, Cheltenham, MD, US, 20623

Comments



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Max W. Gould.



October 04 at 08:56 PM



“ 63 files added to the album LifeTributes



Lee Funeral Home - October 04 at 02:47 PM



“ From The Griffin Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Max W. Gould.



From The Griffin Family - October 02 at 12:37 PM



“ Dave Wilson purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Max W. Gould.



Dave Wilson - October 01 at 01:46 PM



“ Laredo, Tx was a small town when Big Max came into our lives. He was stationed at Laredo Air Force Base. He married my cousin, Lelis. She was more like my big sister. We were poor and we never went to too many places. He would take us on base. We got to see the big beautiful jets that soar over our houses up close. He took my brother, Joe hunting and fishing. Max also took us on our first picnic by the Hwy 59 roadside area. It was the one most exciting times for an eight year old girl.

Connie Arce Snead - September 30 at 01:04 AM



“ One day while riding in their white station wagon, we were going to commissary on base. A guy in car next to ours waved to Max and said, " hey Sapo you have a wagon full of kids. " Max just smiled and waved. Naturally, Lelis wanted to know why he called Max- Sapo. Mexican word for toad or frog. She was very angry. Why did he called you Sapo. Well, Max loved his chewing tobacco. He would put a piece on the inside of each cheek his mouth which gave him a square looking face. So the guys nicknamed him Sapo. When in Vietnam, he saw an old lady with no teeth but chewing her tobacco. He quit cold turkey. He said he didn't want to look like her with no teeth. Don't know if he ever took the habit up again but at that time he was pretty determined to quit.

Connie Arce Snead - October 05 at 01:34 AM