



## Frank Gamsky

August 17, 2023

Frank Gamsky, 93, of Bradenton, died in hospice care August 17, 2023. He and his wife, Elaine (Kiedrowski) were well-known owners of Linger Lodge RV Resort and Restaurant from 1968-2005. A pioneer of eastern Manatee County, his development of Linger Lodge gave thousands of residents and visitors an experience only found there.

Frank was a legend. He had an unusual sense of humor and loved to tell customers far-fetched stories and well-timed jokes and shared his unusual taxidermy such as the Alaskan Fur Fish, who he said swam here for the warm waters of the Braden River in winter.

Born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, he proudly served in the United States Army. He will be remembered for his love of friends, family and animal life as well as volunteering at the Old Braden River Historical Society in his later years.

He was so proud of his family: children Daniel (Kathleen), Debra (Warren Bell), Frank David (Susan) and Donna. He cherished his grandchildren Lindsey (Brian) Peacock, Megan (Shawn) Patterson, Virginia Gamsky (William Hust), Warren "Beau" Bell III, Becky Gamsky and Rachel Gamsky as well as his great grandchildren Liam Gamsky Hust, Korraline Patterson and Parx, Stone and McKinley Peacock as well as his many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his wife, parents Frank L. and Adeline M. (Vahlert) Gamsky and siblings Dorothy (Frisch), Russ, Loretta and George.

A visitation will be held on Wednesday, August 23, 2023, 6:00pm until 8:00pm, at Toale Brothers Funeral Home, Bradenton Chapel, 912 53rd Avenue West, Bradenton, FL 34207.

A private family graveside service will be held on Thursday, August 24, 2023.

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FRANK GAMSKY

by his niece Diane Gamsky Griest

Chocolate covered cherries, deep-fried rattlesnake,  
A beautiful big peacock right outside the front door gate.

It's Linger Lodge Restaurant , a welcome spot indeed,  
park your camper trailer and come on in to eat.

You'll find the finest selection of chicken, beef, and kill.  
Peruse the menu and eat your fill.

Still hungry? There are French fries, alligator, and cheesecake too.  
Hand-made, home-cooked, real special for you.

The best part of Linger Lodge is the owner in charge of decor, jokes and stories sooo tall.

Frank Gamsky has a million of them; his wife and friends have heard them all...and heard them all... and heard them all.

Funny thing, we always waited for an encore.

If you're profiling for kindness, humor, an incredible work ethic and the biggest heart in the South,

you've arrived at the right place for all the memories of this loved and celebrated man.

Just ask his family and community of friends.

We'll miss you Frank, now we'll never know why the chicken crossed the road.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **23**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Toale Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory - Bradenton Chapel

912 53rd Ave W

Bradenton, FL 34207

(941) 746-6191

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<https://www.toalebrothers.com/>

## PRIVATE -GRAVESIDE SERVICE

AUG **24** (ET)

Sarasota National Cemetery

9810 State Rd 72

Sarasota, FL 34241

(941) 922-7200

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our loss and Heaven's gain. Frank was one of a kind and will be surely missed. True pleasure knowing him. He is in alot of our memories.*



**Peggy and Gary Christ** - August 21, 2023 at 08:02 PM

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*Too many memories to list. Every single one of them are filled with happiness , laughter and love. Thank you for 35 years of pure bliss. We moved here because of you and your wonderful family. Miss you Frank. I have the bucket of water to fill the hole in the river where the huge fish was pulled out. Give Elaine a heavenly hug. Your friends Bob and Michele.*

**Michele Bowermaster** - September 06, 2023 at 05:10 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Frank Gamsky.*



August 21, 2023 at 06:06 PM