



## Joe Allen Gomez

August 24, 1954 - February 11, 2026

Joe Allen Gomez, age 71, passed away peacefully at home on Feb. 11, 2026  
In

Poplarville, Ms. after a short battle with pancreatic cancer.

Joe was born on Aug 24, 1954 in Poplarville, Ms. He graduated Poplarville  
High School

and entered the Navy 04/3/73 and served until 4/15/75, which took him many  
places,

from Florida to the East Coast to the Mediterranean where he served on the  
Yosemite.

He also was based out of Norfolk Va and USS Vulcan ARS.

He learned about machinery as he served in the Navy as a machinist. Joe  
was a quick

learner and a had a fabulous wit, both which carried him far.

When he returned home he furthered his education by graduating from Pearl  
River

Community College with a degree in welding. He began a career offshore  
where he

continued to learn and work hard. Soon he was married and raising a family.

He was an avid motorcycle rider and an active member of the Southern  
Cruisers riding

Club Ms. Chap 332, he also participated in over 100 rides with the Patriot  
Guard,

accompanying fellow veterans to their final resting place.

He was an active member of Steep Hollow Baptist Church where he served faithfully.

He was also a Mason.

Joe loved big, he loved to cook , fish, ride motorcycles, travel and spend time with

friends.

He could fix anything and was a good steward with everything God gave him.

He helped

many people whenever and wherever he could. Serving food to the needy, helping with

disasters or just taking a friend to the doctor. He will be truly missed.

He leaves behind his loving wife, Mary Fleming Gomez, his faithful dogs

Roxie, Romeo

and step-dog Lady Dog, who already grieve him greatly.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Albert Joseph Gomez and Vera Seal Gomez.

His daughter Amanda Renee Payne, his sisters Evelyn McCloud, Pat Beech and his

brother, Michael Gomez.

He is survived by his loving wife, Mary Fleming Gomez, his son Joseph Paul Gomez(

wife Sheila Vaughner and step daughter Leilia Vaughner) of Centerpoint, Al. as well as,

his sisters Ruth Stockstill, Judy Pino, Sandi (Ronald) Hoyt and numerous nieces and

nephews.

Service to be held 2/18/2026 from 10am-11am at Steep Hollow Baptist Church located

at 2336 Hwy 53 , Poplarville, Ms. with Bro Gary Killen officiating. Lunch to follow at

church. 2:30pm graveside Honors Ceremony at the Biloxi National Cemetery  
at 400

Veterans Ave, Biloxi, Ms. 39531 with the Patriot Guard in attendance. All  
friends are

welcome and invited to celebrate Joe's life with us!

# Previous Events

## A Celebration of Life Memorial Service

FEB 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

Steep Hollow Baptist Church  
2336 Hwy 53  
Poplarville, MS 39470

## Graveside Ceremony

FEB 18. 2:30 PM (CT)

Biloxi National Cemetery  
101 Memorial Drive  
Biloxi, MS 39531

# Tribute Wall

SH

“ Joe so much left unsaid, I loved you then and love you still. May you enjoy your magic carpet ride.

Sandra Odom Hall - February 20 at 01:49 PM

JG

“ I did not really talk to him a lot in 20 years until my sister got sick. Then we started talking more. Then my mother got sick and passed and I was really needing help. He helped me. I wish I did not have to work so much and could have came and seen him again. I wish my step daughter could have gotten to have a Grandfather. I wish my wife could have gotten to know him. I wish I could have said goodbye in person. I didnt get a chance with my mother or Sister. I wish we could have rekindled a father son relationship. I wish him peace.



Joseph Gomez - February 16 at 08:18 PM

DM

I am so sorry, Joseph. I wish the two of you could have spent more time together. Joe and me were always close and stayed in contact over the years. So I know how much he loved you and Amanda. I am praying for you and sending love.

Debbie Montgomery - February 17 at 07:37 PM

TF

“ The Babin family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Joe Allen Gomez.



The Babin family - February 13 at 05:56 PM

WW

“ Joe helped me learn so much about my harley in such a short time, he qas a walking encyclopedia. He lead some awesome rides and we had a blast riding together. Ms Mary i pray for God's strength and peace for you im sad at pur separation with Joe here but I know heaven is rejoicing with his presents there and im sure he and Mike Bond are having a grand time reminiscing over past rides and future ones in heaven!

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**Woody wilson** - February 13 at 04:52 PM

GL

“ My sympathy to the family and prayers.

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**Gaspare Lengyel** - February 13 at 04:31 PM

DG

*R.I.P*

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**Duane Gomez** - February 13 at 09:59 PM