



Art Swett

November 11, 2020

Art Swett, 71, of Gainesville, FL, went to be with the Lord on November 9, 2020, at Haven Hospice Care Center. Art was born in Huntington Station, New York on November 23, 1948 to Arthur and Anna Swett.

Art served as Assistant Minister of Music/Teacher at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Ft. Wayne, IN for 10 years, Minister of Music/Teacher at Faith Lutheran Church, Eustis, FL for 16 years, and as Minister of Music at First Lutheran Church, Gainesville, FL for 18 years. After retiring in 2014, Art served as a substitute organist in various churches. He was an active member of the American Guild of Organists.

In his free time, Art enjoyed building and flying radio-controlled model airplanes, woodworking, fishing, and vacationing with family and friends. Art was also actively involved in his church in various ways.

Art is survived by his wife of 48 years, Marlene, two children, Jonathan (Jessie) and Jessica (Danny), three grandchildren, Jonah, Johannah, and Jenna, grandpuppy, Nala, brother, Gary, and other family and friends.

Art will be laid to rest on Thursday, November 12 th in a private family service at Forest Meadows Cemetery Central in Gainesville, FL. A memorial service

will be held at Abiding Savior Lutheran Church on Saturday, November 14th at 10:30am.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to Haven Hospice of Gainesville, FL, the Music Ministry of Abiding Savior Lutheran Church, 9700 W. Newberry Rd, Gainesville, FL 32606, or the Music Ministry of Our Savior Lutheran Church, 13667 W. Highland Rd, Hartland, MI 48353.

Tribute Wall

LS

“ *Laura Szymanski wrote a sympathy message*

*"I was a student of Mr. Swett at Holy Cross Lutheran School in Fort Wayne, In. I was very sad to hear of his passing. He was a great teacher. He was very funny and caring. He also taught me how to sing. I still have a "Happy Gram" that he gave out for good work. I am now a teacher and also graduated from CU Chicago. I was greatly influenced by the great teachers that I had growing up.
Laura Lindeman Szymanski
Holy Cross Lutheran Class of '82*

Laura A Szymanski - June 18, 2021 at 02:47 AM

TS

“ *I'm so so sorry. I am just hearing about this today. Thinking and praying for you, Marlene. Please keep in touch. We love you!*

Teresa Simmons - November 22, 2020 at 07:48 PM

BB

“ *Dear Marlene and Family,
I am just getting word of this today (Nov. 20) and was so sorry to hear the news. Art was one of the very first people I met when I began working in the FI/Ga district back in the late 80s. He has always remained a very special friend and colleague, a gifted and humble Christian musician who had such a positive impact on me. I am today a better Minister of Music because of knowing and working with Art, My sincerest condolences to you and your family,*

Bill Brusick - November 21, 2020 at 12:10 AM

TF

“ We loved Mr Art and will miss him so very much! First Lutheran was blessed to have him as it's music minister for so many years. He was a wonderful piano teacher, mentor, and friend to our family. He and Marlene were such a blessing to our family! Praying for God's comfort and peace to Marlene, Jessica, Danny, and the entire Swett family.

The Brabham Family - November 14, 2020 at 01:27 PM

RW

“ We are very sorry to hear of Art's passing and our prayers are with Marlene and the rest of the Swett family. Art had a great gift of music and other talents that served his Lord through music and teaching.

Roger and Lois Walker

Roger and Lois Walker - November 13, 2020 at 08:38 PM

RS

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for all.

Roger and Melissa Stephan - November 12, 2020 at 01:01 AM