



Gary Larson

August 27, 1937 - July 16, 2007

Gary K. Larson, Beloved husband of Susan and loving father of Jeffery and Kelly Jo, WALKED into the loving arms of his Lord, surrounded by his family, on July 16th 2007, at the age of 69, at the Foley Nursing Center in Foley, Minnesota. A celebration of Gary's life will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Monday, August 27, 2007 at the Camp Ripley Chapel in Camp Ripley with Pastor Keith Thompson officiating. Interment will be at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery near Little Falls, MN. Friends may share time and memories with the family from 10-11 A.M. on Monday, August 27, 2007 at the Camp Ripley Chapel in Camp Ripley. Arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapels in Little Falls, MN.

Gary Kenneth Larson was born on August 27, 1937 in Minneapolis, Minnesota to the late LeRoy & Dorothy (Minor) Larson. Gary grew up in the Minneapolis area. When Gary was a teenager the family moved to Sauk Rapids, MN where he graduated from Sauk Rapids High School. After high school Gary enlisted in the U.S. Army where he was stationed in Germany. After serving for 3 years he was honorably discharged. Gary was united in marriage to Joanie Weihrauch on November 18, 1961 in Sauk Rapids, MN. Gary owned & operated Rapids Recreation & Pro Shop from 1973 to 1983. After moving to Hawaii, and spending a year driving a taxi, he returned to Minnesota in 1985 to marry Susan Meyer and they began their journey together. In 1989 Gary suffered the first of many debilitating strokes. In spite of his disabilities he was

a driving force and active member of the Milaca & Sauk Rapids AA Groups. With the support of these groups he was able to achieve 30 years of sobriety, and was an inspiration to many members. Until 2003 Gary continued to actively assist other disabled individuals as a volunteer driver for the VA. Gary's greatest enjoyment came from his grandchildren and the time spent with them.

He is survived by his wife Susan of 21 years, children, Jeff and Kelly Jo(Tim)Borgert, stepchildren Dan(Tanya)Meyer, Don Meyer, DeeDee(Dave)Conkle, six grandchildren, five step-grandchildren, and one great-grandchild, his brothers, sisters and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, and his nephew Craig.

Tribute Wall



“ Gary Larson

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ Sue, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Keep your chin up God will watch over you. Gary is no longer suffering and he is now in a better place with our Lord.##imported-begin##Phyllis Richards Latham##imported-end##

August 31, 2007 at 02:58 PM



“ My heart and prayers are with you all.

Love

Carrie Dinsmore##imported-begin##Carrie Dinsmore##imported-end##

August 21, 2007 at 08:53 PM



“ My sympathy in the loss of Gary. It was very nice talking to you and understanding your positive attitude toward Gary's death. Gary was a wonderful person. You are in my prayers with love.##imported-begin##Jerry L.##imported-end##

July 24, 2007 at 10:29 AM



“ Sue,
You are in my thoughts and prayers. Gary was a wonderful man who thought the world of you and loved you so much. You took excellent care of him through some difficult times. May you be comforted in this time of loss. Let me know if there is anything I can do for you. Beth###imported-begin##Beth Steen###imported-end##

July 23, 2007 at 09:56 AM



“ Sue, Our sympathy to you and your family. We spent many happy hours with Gary and enjoyed his humor. We met him thru Joan & Clayton.###imported-begin##Lee & Bert Lommel###imported-end##

July 20, 2007 at 11:18 PM



“ I know there were many, many times when I struggled to see the good in the relationship that Gary and I had but several years ago while taking care of Gary we had many chances to talk and to get to know each other and we made peace with each other and I learned to love him as a person and respect him. I will miss him every day.###imported-begin##DeeDee, Dave, Boomer, & Brody###imported-end##

July 20, 2007 at 07:08 PM



“ We love you and will miss you!###imported-begin##Dan, Tanya, Nila, and Jarod Meyer###imported-end##

July 20, 2007 at 05:54 PM



“ Sue, I always find comfort reading Isaiah 41, vs 10 & 13. Reading God's word during times of sadness can bring you great joy.

Love You, Rich & Marge##imported-begin##Rich##imported-end##

July 20, 2007 at 07:58 AM



“ Sue you and your family our in our thoughts and prayers. May your wonderful memories of Gary comfort you in your time of loss. God bless you all.##imported-begin##Deb Jensen##imported-end##

July 19, 2007 at 05:56 PM



“ Sue & family,
My prayers are with you all. May your memories of Gary and your love for him carry you through this difficult time. God be with you.
Deb Heying##imported-begin##Deb Heying##imported-end##

July 19, 2007 at 12:39 PM



“ Sue,
I feel I missed out on something by not knowing Gary. I'm happy you have so many great memories. Above everything else, I wish you peace. Mary##imported-begin##Mary Gedde##imported-end##

July 19, 2007 at 10:16 AM



“ Hi Sue, thinking of you and keeping you in my prayers. Let me know if there is anything you need. Love you!##imported-begin##Jane DeHart##imported-end##

July 19, 2007 at 09:44 AM



“ Peace be with you.##imported-begin##Richard Schmidt##imported-end##

July 19, 2007 at 09:42 AM



“ God bless you Sue. You have been a fine wife to Gary. You have a hug coming back at the office.##imported-begin##Connie Hodder##imported-end##

July 19, 2007 at 09:14 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss Sue, remember I'm here for you. Keep you chin up. Gary will always be remembered. mikki##imported-begin##Mikki Peterick##imported-end##

July 18, 2007 at 05:38 PM



“ I met Gary after his many strokes had already taken much of his personality- but his sticktoit-tiveness was always apparent. I watched him struggle and succeed to try to start his engraving business and then have it taken away when he had his next stroke. Sue told me that he was always in charge and I think that she was right- he knew what he wanted even up until his death. Sue was the light of his life and he greatly appreciated everything that she did for him and how much she obviously loved him. I will miss Gary's smile and the fact that even when noone thought he would remember- he still did. He would not want people to be sad but rejoice in his life and how stayed in it until the very end. My blessings to his family and friends.##imported-begin##Helle Lukk##imported-end##

July 18, 2007 at 05:01 PM