



## Gary M. Witt

October 23, 1950 - December 15, 2015

Gary M. Witt, 65 year old resident of Little Falls, MN, passed away on Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at the St. Cloud Hospital. A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, December 19, 2015 at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls with Father Joseph Herzing officiating. Visitation will be from 9 to 11 AM on Saturday at the Shelley Funeral Chapel.

Gary Michael Witt was born October 23, 1950 in St. Paul, MN to Daniel B. Witt and Shirley E. Rasmussen (Witt). Growing up, he started his education in St. Paul and graduated from Little Falls High School in 1968. Gary, second oldest of his siblings, was always busy following his dad around and trying to help out. Shortly after high school, Gary met Jeanne, almost ran her over with his blue Chevelle, they fell in love and were married in June 1970. Shortly after, Shannon and Darrin were born. During his twenties, Gary enjoyed playing on various baseball and softball leagues, when he wasn't busy being a devoted father to his children. Gary's love for his kids showed in his hands on approach to parenting, being involved in all that they did. His love for the outdoors showed in his desire for fishing, hunting, camping, golfing, snowmobiling, and racing. His hunting and fishing trips would take him to places such as Canada, Montana, Wyoming, and Colorado. Racing his 1968 Chevelle at Donny Brooke Raceway in Brainerd was another past time that Gary loved. Family camping trips were another favorite of Gary. We would end with our evenings around a bonfire and playing "telephone". The grandkids loved to play this with grandpa Gary because he was a little hard of hearing

and what he thought he heard was a bit different from what was actually said. Lots of laughter and great memories were made! Visiting the casino was something that Gary lived for. Taking the grandkids to the casino, to gobble down crab legs for their birthdays, was a must! It looked like it had snowed inside when they were finished eating. When Gary wasn't playing, he was a busy guy working hard to make a living. Gary had many different working titles in his life. He worked in construction, alongside his dad for many years. He and Jeanne had owned "The Country Place" bar and restaurant for about 10 years. His last profession was an OTR truck driver. Gary and Rush Limbaugh, his favorite radio talk show host, logged many, many miles in his semi. One of Gary's last requests was that he needed a "Hail Mary Pass" for a miracle. We know that he now has that miracle, as he is enjoying heaven and all of its glory. Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Jeanne Witt of Little Falls; children, Shannon (Gary) Pusc of Little Falls, and Darrin (Stacey) Witt of Sartell; siblings, Sue (Jerry) Kulus of Fort Ripley, Dale Witt of Little Falls, and Jeff (Peggy) Witt of Little Falls; "five special K" grandchildren, Kyle Pusc, Kalli Hengemuhle, Katelyn Pusc, Kyndra Pusc and Keegan Witt. Gary was preceded in death by his parents, Daniel and Shirley Witt.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 19. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Little Falls  
214 2nd Street SE  
Little Falls, MN

## Service

DEC 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Little Falls  
214 2nd Street SE  
Little Falls, MN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary M. Witt*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - December 17, 2015 at 02:01 PM

BR

*Beautiful pictures! Jeanne sorry I am u able to come today as planned. My condolences to you and your family. He was a a loving big teddy bear kind of a guy! He will be missed! My heart aches for you my friend. Call if you need anything. Hugs!!*

barbara rekowski - December 19, 2015 at 09:41 AM



“ *Gary M. Witt*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM

RD

“ *RICK Doucette lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



RICK Doucette - January 08, 2016 at 06:49 PM



“ *Shelly Walker lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



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**Shelly Walker** - January 08, 2016 at 02:54 PM

BB

“ *When I was working at the country place washing dishes after work one night Jeanie Gary and I were eating a pizza Gary told me dont move hold still next thing I know he pulled out a hair on my head. It was my first gray hair I was 13. Thanks Gary Plucking that one they multiplied!!! Lol God be with you all!!! This christmas.*

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**Brenda Balaski** - December 22, 2015 at 09:04 AM

BA

“ *Sorry to hear about Gary's passing. I have a lot of fond memories from the Country Place. Gary was a real good guy. God be with your family. Brian Archer*

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**Brian Archer** - December 20, 2015 at 07:29 PM

DB

“ *David & Kim Brill lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



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**David & Kim Brill** - December 19, 2015 at 10:09 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gary M. Witt.*



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December 19, 2015 at 09:04 AM



“ *Jeannie and family so very sorry for your loss. Deb Manlick*

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**Deb Manlick** - December 18, 2015 at 09:54 PM



“ *Gary was quit a guy I always enjoyed running with him on the road had many a laugh. He was a good friend will be missed alot. Mike Hanson*

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**Mike Hanson** - December 18, 2015 at 08:47 PM

LB

“ I remember like today when grandma Cichon would come visit in Bowlus. She always brought one of our first cousins with. Gary was my favorite cousin because even at 11 years old he was close to even in strength to me, although I'm a year and five months older. That time instead of wrestling we were testing our strength lifting sacks of plaster (94 lbs each). I wish he was here to verify. May God welcome your soul into heaven Gary you were a great cousin and boyhood friend. Now for the results on the lifting. Mainly for our cousin from the family of our aunt Eleanor. That would be the third born and fondly remembered by "the live wire" or "the boy that has ants in his pants", Alan (I hope I spelled it right). We all had many great times together growing up. The results were Gary lifted 4 sacks which was 396 lbs at 11 years old. Then I lifted 5 sacks, 470 lbs. Gary tried 5 sacks but it was a little to much but that didn't stop him he put a sack of lime on top of the 4 sacks of plaster, 426 lbs for and a 10 year old 2 months shy of his 11 birthday. He didn't stop there we got a 10 lb. bag of sugar out of the kitchen to make his lift 436 verifiable by us. Really to us that's all that mattered. In comparison Duane just turned 11 lifted 1, 94 lb. bag but know more. We wonder why our backs were bad. To us it was that not that much of a competition between us much more of look our family is pretty strong. It felt good seeing how strong my cousin and brother were getting, I felt proud to be a part of such a loving family. That was on a Sunday August 27, 1961 when grandma brought a cake and some gifts over to celebrate my mom's 32nd birthday. Now we gather in mind, body, spirit and with love to celebrate the life of Gary Michael Witt. Forgive me Loud for any mistakes I may have made in this presentation.

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LeRoy Bobick - December 18, 2015 at 01:48 PM



“ Prayers for peace for you and family, Jeanne  
*Patti (Ritchie) Hammerbeck*



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**Patti Hammerbeck** - December 18, 2015 at 11:13 AM

SS

“ Sweet Jeanie I send warm hugs on a cold  
day. May God bless you and your family.  
*Donny and I are so sorry for your loss..*



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**Sharon Szczodroski** - December 18, 2015 at 09:44 AM

CS

“ Chuck And Faye Santala lit a candle in  
memory of Gary M. Witt



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**Chuck and Faye Santala** - December 17, 2015 at 10:14 PM

LB

“ *Linda Plante Brown*



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**Linda Plante Brown** - December 17, 2015 at 08:08 PM

LB

*Rip Gary*

**Linda Plante Brown** - December 17, 2015 at 08:09 PM

KK

“ *Karen & Kevin lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Karen & Kevin** - December 17, 2015 at 07:37 PM

KA

*Sending prayers and blessings in honor of our brother-in-law. May you have eternal rest and happiness Mr. G. Also prayer for my sister Jeanne and family as they learn how to navigate life while missing your loved one.*

**Karen** - December 17, 2015 at 07:39 PM

SM

“ *Sara And Dave Manlick lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Sara and Dave Manlick** - December 17, 2015 at 07:03 PM

JC

“ *Jean And Mike Clark lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**jean and mike clark** - December 17, 2015 at 03:55 PM

JB

“ *Our thoughts & prayers are with the Witt Families during this very difficult time. Hold on to all those amazing memories!!! Love & Hugs, Jeri & Larry*



**Jeri Betts** - December 17, 2015 at 03:27 PM

BA

“ *Bruce & Kathy Anderson lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Bruce & Kathy Anderson** - December 17, 2015 at 12:36 PM

JA

“ *Thinking and Praying for you all!!*



**Jody Anderson** - December 17, 2015 at 11:41 AM

GP

“ *Gerry & Donna Plante lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Gerry & Donna Plante** - December 17, 2015 at 11:25 AM

GE

*Gerry & Donna Plante send their prayers to the family.*

**Gerry** - December 17, 2015 at 11:31 AM

FZ

“ *Fritz, Nancy & Tyler Zak lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Fritz, Nancy & Tyler Zak** - December 17, 2015 at 07:57 AM

LK

“ *LeRoy & Karhy lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**LeRoy & Karhy** - December 17, 2015 at 07:06 AM

KH

“ *Karen & Wayne Hansmann lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Karen & Wayne Hansmann** - December 17, 2015 at 06:42 AM

AZ

“ Anita & Bob Zak lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Anita & Bob Zak - December 17, 2015 at 06:23 AM

AN

Jeanne, Shannon, Darren & Families: Our thoughts & prayers are with you. Big Gar was a very special person. He will be missed!

Anita - December 17, 2015 at 09:12 AM

TK

“ Terri Knutson lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Terri Knutson - December 17, 2015 at 05:10 AM

TK

So very, very sorry for your loss Jeanne, Shannon and Darrin. My deepest sympathy to you all!!!!

Terri Knutson - December 17, 2015 at 05:13 AM

KC

“ 2 files added to the album New Album Name



Kris C - December 16, 2015 at 11:34 PM

LB

*I'm sorry for your lose, Gary will be missed, may God bless your soul  
1st Cousin. Kathy and LeRoy*

**LeRoy Bobick** - December 17, 2015 at 06:00 AM

TK

“ *Tim & Jeanne Klassen lit a candle in memory  
of Gary M. Witt*



**Tim & Jeanne Klassen** - December 16, 2015 at 10:38 PM

OM

“ *Orlynn & Stephanie Mueller lit a candle in  
memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Orlynn & Stephanie Mueller** - December 16, 2015 at 09:43 PM

SM

“ *Sarah Meyer lit a candle in memory of Gary  
M. Witt*



**sarah meyer** - December 16, 2015 at 08:51 PM



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December 16, 2015 at 08:21 PM



“ *Mary Jo Retka lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



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**Mary Jo Retka** - December 16, 2015 at 07:53 PM



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**Peggie Witt** - December 16, 2015 at 07:49 PM



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**Peggie Witt** - December 16, 2015 at 07:46 PM



“ Troy Schlag lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Troy Schlag - December 16, 2015 at 07:43 PM



Sorry to hear of Gary's passing, your family has Romiah and my deepest sympathy. In the time I knew him he was a wonderful guy and he will be deeply missed by those he touched the lives of.

Troy Schlag - December 16, 2015 at 07:49 PM



“ Julie Doucette lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Julie Doucette - December 16, 2015 at 07:14 PM



“ Lit a candle in remembrance of Gary Witt. He will be so very missed!

Raymond and Leah Ley and Family - December 16, 2015 at 01:50 PM



“ Lit a candle in remembrance of Gary Witt. He will be so very missed!

Raymond, Leah, Bryan, Trevor, Justin Ley - December 16, 2015 at 01:49 PM

MF

“ Mike & Kathy Flahave lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Mike & Kathy Flahave - December 16, 2015 at 01:47 PM

KF

“ Ken And Linda LeBlanc And Family lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Ken and Linda LeBlanc and family - December 16, 2015 at 01:28 PM

MG

“ Mike & Bev (Zak) Gangl



Mike & Bev Gangl - December 16, 2015 at 01:22 PM

TD

“ Tammy And Aron Dalen lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Tammy and Aron Dalen - December 16, 2015 at 01:19 PM

JJ

“ Jerry And Karen Jacobson lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Jerry and Karen Jacobson - December 16, 2015 at 01:17 PM

KK

“ Our prayers are with you

Ken and Kathy Kloss - December 16, 2015 at 10:21 AM

KK

“ Ken And Kathy Kloss lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Ken and Kathy Kloss - December 16, 2015 at 10:20 AM

EL

“ So sorry he will be deeply missed.



Elaine LeDoux - December 16, 2015 at 09:53 AM

SE

“ *Sandi And Clint Ebsen lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Sandi and Clint Ebsen** - December 16, 2015 at 09:28 AM

RK

“ *Russ Kulus lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Russ Kulus** - December 16, 2015 at 09:22 AM

RK

*Thinking of you at this difficult time Jeanne, Shannon and Darrin & families...  
Russ, Rocio, Ethan & Emily Kulus*

**Russ Kulus** - December 16, 2015 at 09:24 AM

JK

“ *Jill Killeaney lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Jill Killeaney** - December 16, 2015 at 09:16 AM

JK

*So very sorry for your loss, sending hugs your way!!  
Jill & Jeff*

**Jill Killeaney** - December 16, 2015 at 09:18 AM

TM

“ Todd & Renee Maciej lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Todd & Renee Maciej - December 16, 2015 at 08:37 AM

JC

“ John Gwost And Margurite Cofell lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



John Gwost and Margurite Cofell - December 16, 2015 at 07:08 AM

DC

“ Denise & Mike Czech lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Denise & Mike Czech - December 16, 2015 at 05:25 AM

DE

So sorry for your loss! Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family Jeanne!!!

Denise - December 16, 2015 at 05:27 AM

BP

“ *Bruce And Deb Pederson lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Bruce and Deb Pederson** - December 15, 2015 at 09:32 PM

RH

“ *Robert And Jennifer Holtz lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Robert and Jennifer Holtz** - December 15, 2015 at 07:16 PM

CL

“ *We are so very for your loss...  
Hugs and prayers  
Charlie and Dianne*



**Charlie and Dianne Ledbetter** - December 15, 2015 at 06:34 PM

SW

“ *Sandy Wright-Olson lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt*



**Sandy Wright-Olson** - December 15, 2015 at 05:59 PM

WW

“ Wendy Waltman lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Wendy Waltman - December 15, 2015 at 04:50 PM

WW

So sorry Jean and Family, thinking of you, sending our sympathy. Rich and Wendy Waltman

Wendy Waltman - December 15, 2015 at 04:53 PM

JP

“ Joe & Maggie Plante lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Joe & Maggie Plante - December 15, 2015 at 04:24 PM

MW

“ Mary Ann White lit a candle in memory of Gary M. Witt



Mary Ann White - December 15, 2015 at 04:19 PM