



Gary Carl Laird

September 27, 1942 - September 23, 2020

Gary Carl Laird, age 77, of Owasso, passed from this life on Wednesday, September 23, 2020 at his residence. Gary was born September 27, 1942 at Perry, OK to Shirley Carl (S.C.) Laird, Jr and Dorothy Lottie (Wulf) Laird. He was raised and received his education in Perry, Bristow, and Cushing, graduating from Cushing HS in 1960. He enlisted in the US Army on July 8, 1960 and was released to the Army Reserves on Dec. 16, 1960 at Ft. Dix, NJ. Gary attended Oklahoma State University, receiving an Associates degree in Construction Management. On August 23, 1963, Gary was united in marriage to Judith Ann Karseboom at Cushing. To this union, two children were born. For 21 years, he was a project manager for Harmon Construction of Oklahoma City; and was the manager for the construction on three bridges on the Indian Nations Turnpike. He retired from CMS Willowbrook Construction in Chickasha, OK in 2009. Since 2013, Gary was a Chaplain with Christian Resort Ministries while residing in Alamo, Texas. Gary enjoyed golf, fishing and traveling in their RV from coast to coast and border to border. He and Judy moved to Owasso in January of 2020.

Those that survive and hold many cherished memories include his wife – Judy; two children – Gary Carl Laird, Jr and wife Gina of Grove, OK; Jody Leake and husband Darryl of Owasso; two grandchildren Lauren and Logan Laird and a sister Drew Orr and husband Les of Ardmore, OK. Also surviving is a niece Tracie Chapman of Mannsville, Oklahoma. Gary was preceded in death by his parents S.C and Dorothy.

Graveside Service will be held 1:00 p.m. on Friday, October 2, 2020 at Grace Hill Cemetery in Perry, Oklahoma. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations be made in Gary's name to CRMI, 2186 Jackson Keller Road #2094, San Antonio, Texas 78213. Arrangements were entrusted to the Mowery Funeral Service of Owasso. www.moweryfs.com

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT 2. 1:00 PM (CT)

Grace Hill Cemetery
500 Memorial Dr
Perry, OK 73077

Memorial Fund

OCT 2 (CT)

CRMI
2186 Jackson Keller Road #2094
San Antonio, TX 78213

Tribute Wall

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“ Gary....a special friend since our early teens. Enjoyed high school activities (yes water skiing too), OSU...roommates for one term, and Gary was best man when Kay and I were married. He was such a solid, pleasant guy with a winning smile. He gave us a guided tour of one of his bridge projects in the 1970's. We golfed and visited on occasions, then during the last 8 years or so Kay and I enjoyed Christian fellowship with Gary and Judy as they passed through the Tulsa area on their RV trips and would meet for lunch or snacks and games at our house. Looking for a great reunion with him in heaven. Kay and I send our sincere sympathy to Judy and family.

Butch and Kay Clopton - October 01, 2020 at 10:12 AM



“ We met Gary and Judy in South Texas through CRM about 4 years ago but it feels like we have been friends forever. We were fortunate to live about 20 minutes from them in OK so even when they moved back to OK we got to spend time with them. I will miss our Saturday mornings at What A Burger, having Jalapeno Biscuit and talking about the Lord. Our going out to dinner together and just spending time . You could say that for me in my life Gary was my E.F. Hutton, (when he spoke you listened)! Rest in peace my friend and we will meet again one day soon!

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Shairon Dickey - September 29, 2020 at 08:56 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gary Carl Laird.*



September 28, 2020 at 08:00 AM



“ *So many memories of a 65 year friendship. Learning to dance on the Laird patio in Cushing when we were 13. Learning to water ski behind the Laird family boat. High school, the army, college. Playing golf in OKC. We might not talk for a while but caught up quickly. I spoke with him about 10 days ago and said goodbye. It was hard but he's in a much better place. All my sympathies to Judy and family. RIP Gary!*

Don Myers - September 25, 2020 at 05:48 PM



“ *Judy and family: Sorry to hear of Gary's passing. Gary was friendly and caring and demonstrated that to those with whom he came in contact. I remember you both as loving caring Christians. Cheryl Anderson*

Cheryl Anderson - September 25, 2020 at 02:09 PM



“ *Knowing Gary has been a privilege to know this directed man of God. I will cherish the memories I have of him. The light shines a bit less here on earth, but shines brighter in Heaven because Gary is there.
I will see you in eternity.*

Robert N. Ruesch - September 25, 2020 at 01:39 PM

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“ *Judy and Family,*

So, so sorry for your loss! Gary was such a good and caring friend for all these many years. He, and you Judy, will always have a warm spot in our hearts, as we have shared so much together over the many years of ministry. May God continue to bless you as we continue to trust in Him until we all get together later in Heaven. Love you so very much!!! God bless!

*In His Love,
Ron and Joyce Gregory
Americus, GA*



Ron and Joyce Gregory - September 25, 2020 at 01:36 PM

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“ *I will always cherish the way Gary loved! He was a great man and served his Lord well. Gary lived a tremendous Christian testimony and had a big impact on Christ's kingdom while here on Earth. My prayers go out to Judy and his family that they experience the Lord's comfort and peace through this time. We will meet again Gary! I love you!*

Bryan Haynes - September 25, 2020 at 01:11 PM