



Gary De Wayne Matlock

April 29, 1937 - June 26, 2019

Gary De Wayne Matlock of Nowata, Oklahoma, formerly of Weslaco, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 2:05pm at Jane Phillips Memorial Hospital in Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Cause of death was complications of massive pulmonary embolisms. Gary was 82 years old. He was born April 29, 1937 in Wichita, Kansas to parents Charls and Fern (Booth) Matlock. He is survived by his devoted wife of 37 years, Lou Ann, son, Joe Wayne Matlock of Austin, Texas, daughter, Deborah Ann (Jerry) of Nowata, Oklahoma. Also surviving are 4 grandsons, Gary A. (Yvette) Borden of USAF, Shreveport, Louisiana, Bruce (Jan) Borden of Guanaja, Honduras, Josiah (Brittany) of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Hunter Cole Matlock of Austin, Texas. Surviving granddaughters include Erica Paige Matlock of San Antonio, Texas, Jalene Glick of Round Rock, Texas, Brittany Glick of Georgetown, Texas. Gary is also survived by his brother-in-law, Lewis Allen (Sherry) Bradshaw of Kingsville, Texas and a very special Cousin, James (Lila) Booth of Hot Springs Village, Arkansas. Gary and James grew up together and were close as brothers. Other survivors include 6 great Grandchildren and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. He also leaves behind his buddy and devoted canine pal, Scruffy. He is preceded in death by his parents, an infant brother, a newborn son, daughter Shirlene Herrera of McAllen, Texas, sister-in-law Frankie Strickland and husband James of Kerrville, Texas and brother Loren K. Bradshaw of Santa Fe, Texas.

Gary spent his younger years in Virgil and Quincy, Kansas and moved to the Rio Grande Valley of Texas in 1950. He attended Donna Schools after which time he worked for the Southern Pacific Railroad and in construction. He was a member of the Army Reserve and National Guard and served as a volunteer fireman with the San Juan, Texas Fire Department. He held a Master Plumber's License and was owner of Matlock Plumbing and Matlock Construction until his retirement in 2000. Gary's word was his bond in everything he did, and he had a reputation for being fair and honest. Gary always had a smile and was a very optimistic person, when asked how he was doing he would answer, "Any better I couldn't stand it." He was always there for a friend or stranger alike if he could be of help and didn't need to be asked. Everyone was treated alike, rich or poor, famous or unknown. He was always willing to help anyone wanting to better themselves, he and Lou Ann enjoyed traveling and studying the bible. Gary was never tired of trying to get friends and family to delve into the Bible and search the truth for themselves. He had a personal relationship with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and looked forward to his second coming. In July 2014 he and Lou Ann moved to Nowata, Oklahoma and both loved becoming an 'Okie. Out of Respect for Gary's expressed wishes, he was cremated, and no services will be held. Contributions to his memory should in the form of doing kind or helping someone else. Trusted to his is Stumpff Funeral Home & Crematory.

Tribute Wall



“ Gary De Wayne Matlock

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ Gary De Wayne Matlock

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *"A man that loved God" is the first thought we have of Gary. He was truly a kindered spirit. We love and hold you dearly within our hearts, Gary. Lou Ann, you are in our thoughts and prayers and we love you very much. May God comfort, strengthen and give you and your family peace knowing that one day you will see Gary again, all because of God's wonderful Son, Jesus, our Redeemer. Sincerely, Charles and Jill Greenwell*

Charles and Jill Greenwell - June 30, 2019 at 12:01 PM



“ *I wish I had known Gary. He sounds like an awesome man! My prayers are with you Lou Ann . May God's love surround you and give you the comfort and strength you need to go forward. Jolene Pyle Rhodes*

Jolene Pyle Rhodes - June 27, 2019 at 09:47 PM



“ *I loved that we shared a birthday so close together. Love his enthusiasm and his love to share the Truth. Rest in peace brother. My deepest love and condolences to you and your family.*

Christina Teran - June 27, 2019 at 09:25 PM

BD

“ Lou Ann, I remember so many things. We 3 would still be in the office past 6:00 p.m. and he would say, 'Let's go to Milano's and have a bite to eat'. Such a great way to end a day. He was just full of kindness, smiles. Wish I could give you a hug. God will take care of you !! Luv U Much, Barb



Barbara Diedrich - June 27, 2019 at 06:23 PM

AG

Lovely obituary. That is the Gary I knew growing up. My prayers & thoughts continue to be with you during your grief. I hope I get to meet you someday.

Ann Garr - June 27, 2019 at 07:21 PM



He was a super great guy and Gary was all about the LORD. I still have the disk Gary and yourself give me and my wife. Praying for the comfort of CHRIST for you and family through this difficult time. GOD BLESS.

Bert Cotner - June 27, 2019 at 07:27 PM

DD

Lou Ann, what a lovely tribute to Gary! Whenever I was at your office or Champ's office, I knew I was in great company! God Bless! Darby Knox Donaho

Darby Knox Donaho - June 27, 2019 at 08:24 PM

JS

I first knew a young Gary when he lived in Donna Tx. He was a good friend of Brian Savage. I later married Brian. I remember well Gary's parents as well. I'm so pleased to know Gary was a Christian his adult life. My husband Brian died a few years ago but I live in Mansfield Tx. Jean Savage

jean Savage - September 23, 2019 at 09:56 PM