



Gary Hornsby

May 7, 1950 - February 16, 2024

William Gary Hornsby, beloved husband, devoted father, doting grandfather, and cherished friend, passed away peacefully on February 16, 2024, surrounded by his loving family. He was 73 years old. He is survived by his wife of 54 years Sally; children Kindra, Justin (Stacey), and Tory (Cristy); 12 grandchildren: Tyler (Victoria), Taylor (Landon), Bailey, Sydney, TJ, Emma, Chandler, Will, Miriam, Lydia, Ruthie, and Callie; sisters Elaine Davis (Jerry), Debbie Thomas, and Susan Hyde (Mike); siblings-in-law: Linda Parker, Patricia Haliburton, Faye Leonard, Johnny Cunard and Doug Cunard (Jennifer). He is preceded in death by parents William H. Hornsby and Mildred Hornsby-Helton; and brothers-in-law Samuel Cunard and David Cunard (Lynda).

Gary grew up in the Grant Park area of Atlanta, not far from his wife, Sally. They met at Roosevelt High School (class of '68).

Gary loved spending time with his family, singing and playing guitar, camping, tinkering in his shop, and helping others. His faith in Jesus Christ was the cornerstone of his life, and he was a faithful member of Walton Community Church.

Gary was a beacon of light to all who knew him, radiating kindness and selflessness. He was a constant source of support and encouragement and

was always willing to lend a helping hand. Known for his quick wit and infectious laughter, his repertoire of dad jokes was legendary and has been carried on by his children.

A Celebration of Life service will be held on Monday 2/26 at 11am at Rockdale Community Church in Conyers, GA. The family will receive guests for Visitation on Sunday 2/25, 3-5pm at Rockdale Community Church, as well as prior to the service on Monday 2/26 from 9:45-10:45am.

Gary served in the U.S. Army and is a Vietnam veteran. The family will have a graveside ceremony and interment of ashes on Thursday, 2/22 at 11am at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Milledgeville. He will receive military honors. Friends are welcome to attend, however this will be a very brief ceremony and not a graveside service.

Rest in peace, Gary. Your love, laughter, and light will continue to shine brightly in our hearts.

Arrangements by Tim Stewart Funeral Home, 209 South Hammond Drive, Monroe, GA 30655. 770-267-2594. You may sign the guest registry at www.stewartfh.com .

Please deliver all flowers to the church. Funeral Home is not involved with the service.

Cemetery Details

Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery

2617 Vinson Highway
Milledgeville, GA 31061

Previous Events

Inurnment

FEB **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Milledgeville, GA 31061

Visitation

FEB **25**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Rockdale Community Church
2455 Old Salem Road
Conyers, GA 30013

Visitation

FEB **26**. 9:45 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

AC

“ Alice ain Coble RHS 6t-66. 4 times I have tried tp post. Singlestep@mail.com. write if you like. I would love to shRe more, all good.

Alice Cain Coble - April 01 at 01:08 AM

JT

“ I am so sorry to hear the news of Gary's passing. As the shy little girl who lived next door to the Hornsbys growing up, Gary always provided a smile and friendly face. He was easy to be around. I loved our bonfires and sing alongs. Gary loved playing his guitar and singing along, with his smiling face. He was a family man through and through, and will be missed.

Jennifer (Herdt) Thomas - February 26, 2024 at 06:58 AM

LP

“ Each above comments is So true of our Gary! Oh how we all will miss him. Oh how my heart goes out to You Sally, my Dear dear Sister! and to EACH one in The Family. The love between Gary and Each one, each Grandchild etc. is...so Special. Once again, Gary was very Special to each one of us, Sally's brothers and sisters and as has been said, All his friends. With all my Love Kindra, Tory and Justin! The pictures shown above are so Perfect. Love each picture.
linda

linda cunard parker - February 25, 2024 at 08:54 AM

JE

“ Joe Stockdale Real Estate planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Hornsby.

Joe Stockdale Real Estate - February 24, 2024 at 07:48 AM

JE

“ Joe Stockdale Real Estate purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Gary Hornsby.



Joe Stockdale Real Estate - February 24, 2024 at 07:48 AM

RS

“ Rod and Ashley Stuckey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Hornsby.

Rod and Ashley Stuckey - February 22, 2024 at 09:49 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary Hornsby.



February 22, 2024 at 09:49 AM

HB

“ The Braggs always loved seeing Mr. Gary at church. Always ready with a smile and a joke. Here he is teaching Charlee how to pose for her Instagram post 📸. They had a special bond and I know the laughs and hugs that they shared will forever be remembered. Charlee's birthday buddy always!!❤️



Heather Bragg - February 21, 2024 at 09:10 PM



“ *I always enjoyed seeing Gary. Kind and always positive. My prayers are with all of you, Love, Aunt Pat*

Patricia Haliburton - February 21, 2024 at 09:00 PM

AR

“ *I have been so blessed to have known Mr. Gary and to have been a recipient of his kindness and sweet hugs each week at church! He has served our church well in many capacities. He has also served our family on many occasions including helping us move...twice!! I will miss his giving nature and encouraging spirit, but I'm so thankful that I will see him again in the presence of our Lord, free of pain, suffering, and sickness! I love you, Mrs. Sally, and will be praying for you in the days and months ahead!! Andy Redding*

Andy Redding - February 21, 2024 at 07:51 PM

PR

“ *Gary was one of the most encouraging people I've ever known. God has blessed our family and our church so much through Gary and Sally. (We love you, Sally!) Thank you, Lord, for the joy, honor, and privilege of being Gary's friend and pastor. I'm gonna miss him tremendously. And although we grieve, we grieve with hope, because Gary belongs eternally to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. What a joy to know that someday, I will see my brother Gary in heaven! Jeff Redding*



Pastor Jeff Redding - February 21, 2024 at 07:36 PM

RB

“ *Sorry for your loss brother. I can't recall a particular conversation I had with your dad but I worked with him at Hill Phoenix and would talk to him quite a bit when I was in the stock room. Always a nice guy and easy to work with. Prayers again for you and your family.*

Robby Bell - February 21, 2024 at 03:45 PM



We appreciate the kind words, Robby. Thanks for sharing!

Tory Hornsby - February 21, 2024 at 06:05 PM

DL

“ *Debbie Lucas lit a candle in memory of Gary Hornsby*



Debbie Lucas - February 21, 2024 at 02:32 PM

DL

“ When I think of Gary Hornsby, I think of the words Kind and Gentle and Funny and Spiritual. I think of Gentleness and Meakness.A compassionate soul who loved his Lord and family with all of his heart. Sally, Tory, Justin and Kindra: I can never recall a time I ever heard your husband/father raise his voice. He was a Gentle soul, a family man who loved you all so very much. The warmth your Mother and Father showed me growing up has certainly stuck with me for the past 30+ years. Many laughs and jokes were told in that home. His laughter and kind spirit was contagious. You all have always been family to me. My heart goes out to you all. Prayers always,
Love
Debbie Lucas
Ember, Ava and Will

Debbie Lucas - February 21, 2024 at 02:30 PM



Thanks Deb :)

Tory Hornsby - February 21, 2024 at 06:04 PM

KA

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

Kendra Adams
(Sue Johnson's granddaughter)



Kendra Adams - February 21, 2024 at 01:30 PM



“ 23 files added to the album *Pictures of Gary*



Tory Hornsby - February 21, 2024 at 12:59 PM