



Gary Lee Haney (Seymour)

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Gary L Haney was born on January 2, 1954 to Charles and Elizabeth Haney in Independence Missouri.

He graduated from Seymour High School class of 1972 as valedictorian. Gary went on to attend and graduate from Missouri State University in 1977. While at school he married his high school sweetheart Tammy Christopher in December 1975 and went on to have two sons, Matthew and Joshua.

Always the entrepreneur, Gary had a gift of remembering numbers and understanding business. He built a company of 10 insurance offices called United Insurance Group. A talented tax planner and advisor, he also owned Haney Tax and Accounting which he started in 1989.

Gary's other passions were traveling and spending time with family. He and Tammy had visited 47 states in their RVs, 7 European countries, as well as Israel and Jordan. There was an annual fishing trip to Lake of the Woods in Canada with friends. Colorado in the fall was his favorite trip because he loved to photograph elk in Rocky Mountain National Park. In 2018, he also fulfilled his life-long dream of driving his RV to Alaska for three months and had plans to return in the future.

The pride and joy of his life were his five grandchildren: Jaily, Hudson, Haidyn, Weston and Finton. There was nothing he enjoyed more than spending time with them riding the Rhino around the farm, playing games and watching movies. Equally important as family was his faith. Gary loved Jesus and served Him faithfully through the years as youth leader, Sunday School teacher, Music Director, and was recently involved as an area coordinator for Operation Christmas Child. It is a tremendous comfort to the family to know he is home.

Gary was preceded in death by his father Charles Haney as well as his mother and father-in-law Don and Pat Christopher.

Gary is survived by his wife Tammy and his sons Matthew, and Joshua and his wife,



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Gina as well as his five grandchildren and his mother, Elizabeth Haney. He was also survived by his brothers: Dan Haney and wife Cindy and Ken Haney and his wife, Debby. He is also survived by his sister-in-law, Dawn Christopher Moritz and husband Steve, and brother-in-law, Bob Christopher and wife, Maureen as well as many well-loved nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life service will be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Samaritan's Purse online at samaritanspurse.org. Cards and donations can also be sent to PO Box 515, Seymour, MO 65746.



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VA

Vanessa Chadwell Amelunke posted:

Tammy, Mrs. Haney, and family -- my thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. I remember Gary from our church youth group as a kind and funny upperclassman. In recent years, he was so nice to my mother. He was a good man and he leaves a fine legacy for his children and grandchildren.

April 19 at 11:02 AM

MS

Mike/Chris Sackett lit a candle in honor of Gary.



April 17 at 6:28 PM

LM

Linda Messmer posted:

We will miss Gary at our accounting meetings. He could always answer many of our questions and we enjoyed being with him. One of the truly good people! Our prayers are with you Tammy and your family. Gary & Linda Messmer

April 17 at 6:05 AM

MR

Marilyn Rimmer posted:

Tammy, I always enjoyed seeing Gary at our women's conference & meetings. He & Dave were usually the only males and so they had a common bond. I will remember him with great fondness and the love you two shared. You are in my thoughts & prayers.

April 16 at 9:29 AM

ML

Melissa Lansdown lit a candle in honor of Gary.



April 16 at 8:36 AM



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SS

Steve And Doris Shover lit a candle in honor of Gary.



April 16 at 4:05 AM

MB

Mike And Debbie Borders posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you Tammy and family. Gary was a special guy and we will miss him.

April 15 at 4:23 PM

IH

Irene Hurt posted:

Tammy, I am so very sorry to hear about Gary's passing. I'm praying for you and your family during this difficult time. I know the quarantine makes this an additionally hard situation. Praying for God's peace on you all during this time.

April 15 at 3:53 PM

KM

Kathy Johnson Mcfarland posted:

What a loss this is to the community! Gary and I went all through school together after he moved to Seymour in 3rd grade. We were always good friends and shared the honor of both speaking at our high school graduation. In recent years, we had shared many thoughtful conversations. He often jokingly began our conversation with "I know you don't need and won't take my advice, but..." I will miss him, and my deepest sympathy goes out to his family.

April 15 at 11:31 AM

ZD

Zeta Davidson posted:

Tammy and family, My sincere sympathy from North Kansas City. Hard, hard, hard. Zeta Davidson

April 15 at 11:04 AM



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Tina Hesse posted:

Sending prayers to Tammy and the family from our whole team. May you feel the loving arms of God holding you tightly in the days to come. Heart of Illinois Area Team - Operation Christmas Child

April 15 at 8:07 AM



Jerry/Terri Bauer posted:

This is Jerry and Terri Bauer. What an honor it was to have Gary as a family member. Many wonderful memories were made with him. We loved him and we love you. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.

April 15 at 6:34 AM



Michael Mcfarland posted:

I graduated from SHS with Gary. Just sat and talked with him a couple of weeks ago. Gary was in good spirits and seemed to be doing well. What a shock to hear of his passing! I sincerely appreciated Gary and Tammy's friendship. Tammy and Elizabeth, my and Karyn's thoughts and prayers are with you.

April 14 at 6:07 PM



Suzanne Thoms lit a candle in honor of Gary.

My sincere condolences to Tammy, Matt, Josh, and the whole family. I was blessed to have Gary as my boss and mentor for over 11 years, and I am truly grateful for everything he taught me - and always with a smile, just like the picture here! He will be missed by so many, but never forgotten.



April 14 at 1:05 PM



Jack & Marilyn Mingus sent a virtual gift in honor of Gary.



April 14 at 11:20 AM

JM **Jack & Marilyn Mingus** April 14 at 11:21 AM

Tammy and family, our hearts are saddened by your loss. He has reached the reward he was promised years ago. Our prayers are with you all and dear Elizabeth during this difficult time.



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SV

Salena Vaughn lit a candle in honor of Gary.

Tammy, while I do not know you and Gary very well, I know you two from your grandbabies, and oh how well loved those children have been, by you and Gary. Haidyn in her loving request for him on Sunday, Jai and Hudson for the camping stories and Weston and his shared cheese balls with Gary. It is those little things that mean so much to them and he knew it. I am so sorry for the loss you feel here on earth, but I love the fact that Jesus was there to welcome him home. He will no longer feel pain, fear or weariness that he may have experienced here on earth. His job was done and God welcomed him home. God bless you and your whole family for the blessings you bestow on others without end.



April 14 at 10:01 AM

WS

Wanda Shellenbarger posted:

Dearest Tammy and Family. Our hearts are so heavy for you during this difficult time. While we know that Gary is in his eternal home and enjoying every moment of fellowshiping with our Lord and Savior, we also know there is a void left within your hearts and lives. We will dearly miss Gary's involvement with the State Women's Ministry retreats and events that we've enjoyed through the years. His support for the Missouri Baptist Children's Home and involvement with their ministries will be sorely missed. His smile, laughter and the wisdom he often shared with MBCH residents and clients were priceless and will be deeply missed. It is so hard not to be able to hug your neck, cry with you, laugh at the fun times we've had during this difficult time. We look forward to a time in the days ahead when we can get together with you, enjoy a meal and share our hearts with you. We love you dear sister in Christ and are praying for you during this difficult time. We will talk with you soon. Love ya dear sister! Wanda Shellenbarger

April 14 at 9:07 AM

BC

Bob And Elaine Crump lit a candle in honor of Gary.

So very sorry for you loss. We wil miss Gary's bright shiny smile whenever we saw him. You are all remembered in our prayers so you will have strength together for whatever comes your ways in the future.



April 14 at 8:56 AM



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WS

Wanda Shellenbarger posted:

Dearest Tammy and family. Our hearts are so heavy for you all! Even though we know Gary is in his eternal home with the Lord, there is a void that is left within your hearts and lives We are praying for all of you and can't wait until we are able to hug your neck and personally express our condolences to you. You and Gary were such a great team, ministering to people, sharing the gospel and serving the Lord wherever He lead you! You both were such an inspiration to everyone you came in contact with. We will miss Gary, his laughter, and his smile and wisdom he displayed and shared at our events and retreats. He was such a help to the Women's Ministry in the State of Missouri and it was clear he loved every minute of it. Tammy, we look forward to the time when you will be back serving alongside us again. How we long for that sweet fellowship again. In the meantime we love and appreciate you so very much as our sister in Christ and great friend. Talk with you soon sweet sister!
Wanda Shellenbarger

April 14 at 8:34 AM

KW

Karen Wallace lit a candle in honor of Gary.

I was so saddened to hear of Gary's passing. Prayers to all the family.

April 14 at 7:33 AM



JD

Johnna Douglas lit a candle in honor of Gary.

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GJ

Grace Johnson lit a candle in honor of Gary.

I am keeping your family in my prayers

April 14 at 4:20 AM





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DF

Don And Karen Wilson And Family sent a virtual gift in honor of Gary.

So So Sorry for you loss. Gary will be missed so much. He would always try to find the good in what ever was going on. I know that sometimes words just don't help, but somehow he would find a way to make them work.Our thoughts and Our Prayers are with all of you.(Heaven just got brighter).What a Great reunion there will be!!!!!!Don and Karen Wilson and Family



April 14 at 3:40 AM

JD

Joyce And Lonnie Denney lit a candle in honor of Gary.



April 13 at 8:34 PM

GN

Gail Heckendorn Newton lit a candle in honor of Gary.



April 13 at 6:41 PM

JH

Jeff Janet Hensley lit a candle in honor of Gary.



April 13 at 6:04 PM

JF

Jeff And Joan Massoni And Family lit a candle in honor of Gary.

So sorry for the your Loss,Prayers for all of you!



April 13 at 5:39 PM

DU

Dale Underwood lit a candle in honor of Gary.



April 13 at 4:17 PM



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BJ

Boyd And Tanya Jordan posted:

Sorry to hear the news of cousin Gary .. our deepest condolences to The Haney family. So sorry for your loss and we pray that the Lord will give you strength and bless you all at this time...

April 13 at 4:14 PM

KP

Kim A Plaster posted:

Condolences to Tammy and Mrs. Elizabeth Haney. My sorrow to his children and grandchildren. Gary and I were college house mates, fraternity brothers, and shade tree musicians. We had a lot of fun together, I can still see him playing that Gibson Les Paul. Rest In Peace Gary, we will meet again. Kim A. Plaster

April 13 at 3:30 PM

KH

Kaye Blankenship Higginbotham lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 3:09 PM



SL

Sue Loughrige lit a candle in honor of Gary.

Gary was always such a wonderful man. He and Tammy were super supporters of our school and teachers. He will be sadly missed.

April 13 at 2:00 PM



JH

Jeff And Janet Hensley posted:

Our condolences to the family on this loss. Gary was a friendly, great guy. His knowledge and expertise in the area of taxes will be missed by many.

April 13 at 1:57 PM

FD

Frank And Anita Dearmond sent a virtual gift in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 1:56 PM





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TK

Tammy Dearmond Wright And Kallun lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 1:55 PM



CC

Cathy Coonis lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 1:51 PM



DB

David L And Penny Bowers posted:

Prayers for Tammy and Family. Gary was always such a kind soul. He will be missed by all in the Seymour Community. 🙏

April 13 at 1:39 PM

SD

Stacy Denner posted:

Gary will be so missed by everyone. He was the nicest man you could meet. My heart is breaking for you all. RIP Gary .

April 13 at 1:26 PM

HM

Helen Mallory lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 1:11 PM



RM

Roger And Doylita McCormack sent a virtual gift in honor of Gary.

Tammy and family, we are so sorry to hear about Gary's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this most difficult time.

April 13 at 12:49 PM





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MT

Marshajosh Thomas sent a virtual gift in honor of Gary.

We're so sorry, Gary will be dearly missed by many. He was the Best Tax Man. Tammy, Matt, Josh and family, Elizabeth you are all in our prayers .Joshua,Marsha Thomas and Hunter

April 13 at 12:15 PM



LM

Leonard Matney lit a candle in honor of Gary.

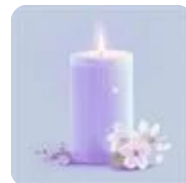
April 13 at 12:12 PM



CC

Carolyn Cantrell lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 12:03 PM



VF

Vila Fraley sent a virtual gift in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 12:01 PM



SM

Skipper Maybee posted:

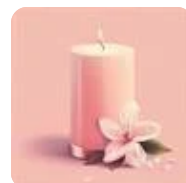
Tammy and family, I'm so sorry to hear of Gary's passing. I remember him well during his jr high and high school years. Such a good kid and always pleasant. He played ball for Jake and Jake was really proud of him. Gary was an asset to the team. Always a great team player. I don't remember ever seeing him without a smile. He will be missed. Your in my thoughts and prayers.

April 13 at 11:58 AM

GR

Gary And Judy (Dearmond) Richter lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 11:51 AM





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GC

Gena And Mike Cooper sent a virtual gift in honor of Gary.



April 13 at 10:24 AM

TC

Tom Claxton posted:

Tammy Josh Matt I'm so sorry for the passing of Gary he was a good man I have always enjoyed talking to him when I would see him my prayers are with the family during this sad time May God bless

April 13 at 10:23 AM

KP

Kathy Shover Pierson lit a candle in honor of Gary.



April 13 at 9:23 AM

JH

Jennifer Mackey-Haywood lit a candle in honor of Gary.



April 13 at 9:10 AM

AB

Anita Buchanan lit a candle in honor of Gary.



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KM

Kathy Matney Mcqueen lit a candle in honor of Gary.

Gary and I went from elementary school through college together. I made good grades, not because I should, but because he and I were always in competition. He won. He was always a trustworthy and loyal friend. My heart goes out to Tammy and his family. He will be missed.



April 13 at 8:38 AM



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DI

Dennis W Ipock lit a candle in honor of Gary.

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BC

Beverly Cornelison lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 8:01 AM



MW

Mark Willbanks lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 8:01 AM



JS

Joyce Salkil lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 7:42 AM



WB

Wanda Blankenship lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 7:26 AM



KD

Karen Dearmond lit a candle in honor of Gary.

April 13 at 7:24 AM





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Aletta Fox Hutchins lit a candle in honor of Gary.



April 13 at 6:57 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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