



Gary Hunter

October 17, 1955 - June 8, 2009

Graveside services for Gary R. Hunter, 53 of Tyler will be held on Saturday, June 13, 2009 at 1:00 PM at Whitehouse cemetery, under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home. Mr. Hunter passed away, June 8, 2009 at the Hospice of East Texas. He was born October 17, 1955 in Henryetta, Oklahoma to Ray and Eula Hunter. Mr. Hunter was a graduate of the University of Oklahoma and served his country in the United States Air Force. He retired from TISD where he was a Band Director at Stewart and Dogan Middle Schools. Mr. Hunter was preceded in death by his mother. Gary is survived by his loving family including his wife Penny of Tyler; son, David Hunter of College Station; daughters, Lisa Hunter of Tyler, Amanda Griffin and husband Mike of Flint, and Julie Rothrock and husband Shane of Whitehouse; brother, Jerry Hunter and wife Lynetta of Topeka, KS; father, Ray Hunter of Okmulgee, OK and four grandchildren. Visitation is scheduled from 6:00-8:00 P.M. Wednesday, June, 10, at Stewart Family Funeral Home 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy, Tyler, Texas 75703. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the TISD Foundation, "Gary Hunter Memorial Scholarship Fund", 315 N. Broadway, Ste 401, Tyler, Texas 75702. For more information or to express condolences, visit www.stewartfamilyfuneral.com

Tribute Wall

GI

“ Gary you will be missed but Faber/Hunter productions will continue on. I am going to miss your famous sweet tea. Memories of skiing all day and laughing till my side hurts will stay with me always.

George A. Faber II - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ I never met Gary, but he was an interesting and funny man. He had signed onto www.okshooters.com and joined up with a group of fun loving guys and gals in the Tulsa area known as the Fat Guy Shooting Team. Gary was a perfect fit, he could laugh at himself as well as contribute to the senseless comments we continually make.

We will miss his presence. May God be with his family and friends in this, their time of need.

Jeff Sutton - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ GARY WAS INDEED A DELIGHT TO OUR COMPANY. GARY DROVE OUR MOTORCOACHES WHENEVER HE COULD AND ALWAYS DID A GREAT JOB! ALWAYS SMILING, GARY WAS LOVED BY ALL OUR CUSTOMERS WHO ENJOYED HIS PROFESSIONAL DRIVING AND GREAT ATTITUDE. HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL AT CHUCK'S TRAVEL COACHES. GOD BLESS YOU, PENNY, KIDS AND GRANDS! HE SO LOVED HIS FAMILY!

CHUCK & JEAN ROACH - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Gary will truly be miss at Dogan but i know that God does not make any mistakes God needed someone in heaven to help with the sound system. Gary was always there to lend a helping hand no matter what the task. Dogan middle school family is praying for you.

delois harris - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ To the family of Gary Hunter. Gary was well liked and appreciated by me. I will remember his quiet way of speaking and stopping by just to say HELLO. I will miss him.

Lynne

LYNNE WARD - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ I worked with Gary for a few years at Stewart Middle School. He was a great musician and the kids loved him wherever he was. I could always talk to Gary and he wouldn't try to judge you, but definitely had an opinion. I know that he loved his "Sooners" and had a heart as big as Dallas. I once told him I wanted to do something special for my wife for her birthday, but couldn't think of what to do, so Gary suggested he come pick us up in his limo and take us out to dinner. Needless to say my wife thought that was pretty special and Gary wouldn't let me pay him for the limo or his time. He didn't have to do that, but he did because that was Gary Hunter. God Bless the Hunter Family and loved ones in a very difficult time. I know that our Lord will be right beside you to comfort you throughout.

Love You Man!
Gary Stracener
Assistant Principal and Friend

Gary Stracener - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Mr. Hunter will be missed by us, his fellow co-workers, here at Dogan because he always had a kind word and an engaging smile for all of us. Words cannot express our hurt and sorrow at your loss; however, we pray that Mr. Hunter is in a better place and we will be with him one day.

Larry J. Erwin a.k.a. Guapo - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

NE

“ Thank you Gary for your friendship. When I lost my first husband you helped me so much; I will always remember seeing you ride up on your motorcycle to mow my yard that summer. You were a true friend.

All my love to Penny, Lisa and David - your husband and father will always be missed, but will live on in our memories forever.

Nancy Epperson - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ Penny, Lisa, David, Julie, and Amanda...may God be with you during this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. May his memory live on forever!!

Rachael Kashata-Oliver - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Gary Hunter

Shirley M Biondo - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ I cant express the sorrow i feel for the loss of such a caring and kind person. Our friendship with Gary was not only with me and my brothers but my Mom. My mom got Gary into coaching softball and he was around our family alot. And his Dad Ray rode to work with my dad for years to Tulsa. It is such a loss. My respect for Gary has always been very high, he was a very good friend and always had an open ear for other people. He came to my mothers funeral back in December 2006 after her battle with lung cancer for 2 years. I know it was hard for him cause he thought alot of my mom as she thought alot of him. I pray you find peace with the loss of your loved one and may God be with you on your journey to recover from the loss. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Cristie Baughman Petree/ Robbie Baughman (Brother)

Cristie (Baughman) Petree - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ I wanted to express my deep feelings that I had for a such a great man. I will miss Mr. Hunter dearly and I'm sorry for hearing about what happened. We played together in the Tyler Community Band and we also talked in passing at TISD football games and events. He was always cheerful and had a smile on his face. He will be missed and my thoughts and prayers are to his family. I knew his son, David, while he was growing up in the Robert E. Lee HS Band. God Bless!

Paul Martin - June 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM