



Gary Drinnen Raley

April 15, 1954 - April 9, 2020

Gary Drinnen Raley, age 65 of Dandridge, TN, passed away at his home on Thursday, April 9, 2020.

Gary was retired from the City of Jefferson City Public Works Department and also served in the United States Navy.

He was preceded in death by his father Willis Raley and nephew Jason Drummer.

He is survived by his loving wife of 22 years Kathy Raley; his children Amber (Beth) Norris and Eric Raley; mother Martha Hickman; grandchildren McKenzie, Kalei, and Cayden White, and Tristan and Lillie Raley; sisters Cathy Woods, Brenda Wright, Gail (Guane) Julian, and Pat (Donnie) Lee; sister-in-law Helen Ball; brother-in-law Randy Cody; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends including long-time friend Gerald Moody.

The family would like to extend a special "Thank You" to the nurses and staff of Jefferson Park and Smoky Mountain Health & Hospice.

A private graveside service will be held at Rankin Baptist Cemetery on April 11, 2020 with Military Honors.

Family and friends may sign the guest register online at www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ Gary Drinnen Raley

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ he was a great grandfather i miss him alot

cayden white - May 17, 2020 at 02:11 AM



“ Gary was a great friend and will be missed very much he was a pleasure working with for so many years , may he rest peacefully
Chris Smith

Chris Smith - April 21, 2020 at 12:39 PM



“ gary was my boss and my friend. just glad he didn't suffer for a long time before his passing. we will all miss him greatly

vince bonderczuk - April 20, 2020 at 10:00 AM



“ Kathy,
I am so very sorry to hear of your loss, prayers and love are being sent your way.

Denese Mooneyham

Denese Mooneyham - April 18, 2020 at 01:42 PM

GM

“ *Deepest condolences for your loss*



gail metcalf - April 16, 2020 at 02:27 PM

KL

“ *Rest in peace*

Kenny Leonard - April 16, 2020 at 11:22 AM

AB

“ *Kathy, I just wanted to tell you how sorry we were to hear of Gary passing. We are praying for you and your family. God bless you*

Amanda & Johnny Bennett - April 14, 2020 at 06:03 PM

KT

“ *Kim Tiller sent a virtual gift in memory of Gary Drinnen Raley*



Kim Tiller - April 13, 2020 at 11:54 PM

KT

“ *Me and Lucas love you so much uncle Gary. You will truly be missed.*

Kim Tiller - April 13, 2020 at 11:51 PM

 Paul Johnson

“ Will miss you Gary. Was always a pleasure to work with. So sorry for your loss. Paul Johnson

Paul Johnson - April 13, 2020 at 02:55 PM

MM

“ I always enjoyed working with Gary. Such a nice guy. I am sorry for your loss.

Monica Myers

Monica Myers - April 13, 2020 at 09:00 AM

JM

“ So sorry for you loss! He was a good man.
Bob & Jill Molzon

Jill Molzon - April 13, 2020 at 08:34 AM

JM

“ sorry for you loss! James Cameron

Jill Molzon - April 13, 2020 at 08:32 AM

MH

“ He was a wonderful and loving son was always sweet and kind and a pleasure to be around. He was always willing to help others. Growing up he was always playing jokes on his sisters. He always made you feel welcome when you went to his home.
I loved dearly and always will. Rest In Peace son. Love, Mom

Martha Hickman - April 12, 2020 at 06:52 PM

PD

Kathy, so sorry for your loss. Know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Phyllis Douglas - April 14, 2020 at 10:55 AM

CW

“*Gary was. A. Wonderful. And. Loving son. Always. A ..joy and. Pleasure to be around always willing. To help anybody was a kind and sweet person he is missed loved and always will be*

Cathy Wood - April 12, 2020 at 05:46 PM

CA

Comments for mom

Cathleen - April 14, 2020 at 11:08 PM

CW

“*Big Brother is next sibling. I'm kindergarten to high school. Count numerous jokes, wrestling, smiles, fishing, Larry Drummer hooky high school fishing, Larry & Gary is River Breeze drive in popcorn & movie, and on. I love you so much!! Go Rest High on That Mountain-rest, big brother, rest!*

Cathy Wood - April 11, 2020 at 08:40 PM

CA

Also, 10 years in Navy, Honorable Discharge. Point of some submarines. One is daughter & one is son. Kathy & Gary it numerous cruises.

Cathleen - April 14, 2020 at 11:32 PM

CA

(stroke it's scrambled brain)

Cathleen - April 14, 2020 at 11:53 PM

CW

“ *Cathy Wood sent a virtual gift in memory of Gary Drinnen Raley*



Cathy Wood - April 11, 2020 at 07:55 PM

GA

“ *We will miss you big brother, tell Dad and Jason we love them. You were a great brother, and will be missed a lot.*

gail - April 11, 2020 at 12:01 PM

BS

“ *I love you gary you are a great brother. You can now rest in the arms of jesus go rest high big brother*

Brenda wright his sister - April 11, 2020 at 10:47 AM

BC

“ *Keeping Kathy and Family in our prayers. Robert (Butch) and Betty Carmichael*

Betty Carmichael - April 11, 2020 at 10:36 AM

KH

“ *So sorry to hear! Ill miss his Sunday's visits to Shoney's with Jerald. Love u all and Prayers for the family*

Kelly Hensley - April 11, 2020 at 08:04 AM

IG

Prayers for comfort for you all. Love and hugs

Imogene Gann - April 11, 2020 at 10:53 AM

MA

“ So sorry to learn of such great loss to you Cathleen and your family. I will never forget the first time the two of you came to Carter Elementary. Two sweet kids became everyone's friend. May God's promises bring peace and comfort to all of you until you are reunited with Gary in God's heavenly kingdom.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Lusk Ault

Marilyn Lusk Ault - April 11, 2020 at 01:11 AM

AB

“ So sorry for your loss, prayers for comfort during this time. The family of Neal Banks

Angela Banks - April 10, 2020 at 08:32 PM

NJ

“ Such a great person that we loved working with for many years at The City of Jefferson City. God Bless this family with comfort!
Love always,
Norman and Florence Jones

Norman and Florence Jones - April 10, 2020 at 08:11 PM


DN

“ So sorry to hear this Gary was a great friend he will be missed prayers for everyone RIP
Gary we love you



Debbie Newcomb - April 10, 2020 at 08:11 PM

AN

“ *Your battle is over. You can rest now daddy. I love you. I promise ilk try to make you proud.* 



Amber Norris - April 10, 2020 at 06:05 PM

PL

“ *Pat Raley Lee sent a virtual gift in memory of Gary Drinnen Raley*



Pat Raley Lee - April 10, 2020 at 05:10 PM

AN

Sad news for sure. I knew Gary for many years. He worked with my dad at water plant for years. I considered him a good friend and so did my dad. Prayers for the family

Anthony - April 12, 2020 at 01:54 PM

GJ

“ *2 files added to the album Memories Album*



gail julian - April 10, 2020 at 04:49 PM

GJ

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



gail julian - April 10, 2020 at 04:46 PM

GJ

“ Gail Julian lit a candle in memory of Gary Drinnen Raley



gail julian - April 10, 2020 at 04:42 PM

LD

“ with deepest sympathy just to let you know that we are praying for you and the family if you need us for anything we are here with love and prayers Larry and Kathy Drummer



larry & kathy drummer - April 10, 2020 at 04:27 PM

TR

“ Terri And Dan Reed lit a candle in memory of Gary Drinnen Raley



Terri and Dan Reed - April 10, 2020 at 04:07 PM

AN

“ Rest Now Daddy. I love you and Im so proud i got to call u my daddy. Thank you for being a warrior. You won your battle , the fight is over 💜

Amber Norris - April 10, 2020 at 03:22 PM

PL

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Pat Raley Lee - April 10, 2020 at 01:39 PM

GJ

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Gail Julian - April 10, 2020 at 11:34 AM

PL

“ My sweet brother. I know you no longer have to struggle and that you feel better now. I will always remember how you enjoyed picking on us sisters but truth be known we enjoyed our big brother time . You were outnumbered by us with you being the only boy in the family but we will always cherish those memories and your funny jokes. I will miss you big brother. I love you. You can rest now.

Pat Raley Lee - April 10, 2020 at 11:34 AM

BS

“ *My big brother was a great man. He would always make a joke out of everything his family would say or do. We love you gary we will miss you so much.*

Brenda wright his sister - April 10, 2020 at 11:28 AM

GJ

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Gail Julian - April 10, 2020 at 11:22 AM