



Howard Wayne Gentry

July 4, 1952 - June 4, 2024

Howard "Wayne" Gentry, age 71, beloved husband, father, papaw, brother, and friend was called to heaven on June 4, 2024 and will be greatly missed by so many.

His success as an entrepreneur was driven by ambition, hard work, pride, and dedication to his company, Aardvark Lock & Safe, Inc. for almost 40 years. He had many hobbies and interests but was at his happiest when spending time with family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clyde and Mary Nelle Gentry; brothers, Charles (Beverly) Gentry, George Herbert (Phyllis) Gentry, Jackie Gentry, Maurice Gentry and Norman Gentry; sisters, Cheryl Gentry and Peachie (John) Parker; brother-in-law, James Russell; and sister-in-law, Jan Gentry.

His memory will be forever held in the hearts of his surviving family: his loving wife of 46 years, Janine Gentry; cherished daughter, Gina Gentry; adored granddaughter, Janelle Gentry; brothers, Herman (Alice) Gentry, Ronnie (Janice) Gentry, Roger (Tammy) Gentry; sisters, Annette Russell and Joyce Gentry; brother-in-law, JB McNeely; sisters-in-law, Eva Dean Gentry, Carolyn Gentry and Doreen McNeely; along with many loved nieces, nephews, family and friends.

The family will receive friends 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, June 14, 2024 at Manes Funeral Home. The Funeral Service will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, June 15, 2024 in the Manes Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in Union Cemetery.

Friends and family may sign the guest register online at www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements with Manes Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Receiving of friends

JUN **14**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Manes Funeral Home Inc.
363 East Main Street
Newport, TN 37821
(423) 623-6952
manesfuneralhome@bellsouth.net
<https://www.manesfuneralhome.com/index.cfm>

Funeral service

JUN **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Manes Funeral Home Chapel
363 East Main Street
Newport, TN 37821

Tribute Wall



“ *Manes Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Howard Wayne Gentry*



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - June 10, 2024 at 07:58 PM

CW

“ *So sorry to hear about the loss of your loved one. The family will be in our prayers.*

My deepest condolences

Don and Cindy Wise

John F Frazier

cindy wise - June 14, 2024 at 04:35 PM

WT

“ From the Townsend (Steamboat) family we send our deepest condolences to the Gentry family in the loss of your beloved son, Howard. I was able to spend time with him during his final week and will miss him much. We laughed, we cried and we prayed. He was special to all of us for 40 years of enjoyment at our card game, on the golf course and in our homes. We called him Wayne but he had other names - Aardvark (Manvark), Bro, Lucky Dog, and The Yeggman. He took George's place at the poker game and I never had a bad word with him in those 40 years. His many friends all felt that way, I'm sure. He was greeted on the other side by our other friend John, who passed a few years ago. John loved him like a brother too. Now they have a foursome with George and Steve.

William R Townsend - June 14, 2024 at 11:36 AM

TM

“ I've known Wayne Gentry all my life. Wayne was friendly, smart, and willing to help if anybody needed him. I always considered him a good neighbor, even though he and his family lived in Florida for most of the last 40 years. Wayne can rest in peace; he lived a good life and took care of his family. It's just my guess but there's a pretty good chance he's probably helping Saint Peter with the lock, handle, and video ring on Heaven's Door. Wayne will be there to greet his family when the time comes.

Tim Moore - June 13, 2024 at 06:19 PM

TF

“ Travis Broderson & Family purchased the Rose R emembrance for the family of Howard Wayne Gentry.



Travis Broderson & Family - June 11, 2024 at 11:55 PM

TF

“ *Travis Broderson & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Howard Wayne Gentry.*

Travis Broderson & Family - June 11, 2024 at 11:55 PM

LH

“ *Prayers!*



Louise & Jimmy Hux - June 11, 2024 at 06:57 PM

DR

“ *We love our golf and poker buddy Wayne who now lives in eternal life with God and Johnny Bet. Our love and support to Janine and all of the Gentry family .*



Debby Larkin Riston - June 11, 2024 at 02:23 PM

JF

“ *Johnny Bet, Debby and The Riston Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Howard Wayne Gentry.*

Johnny Bet, Debby and The Riston Family - June 11, 2024 at 02:09 PM

JF

“ Johnny Bet, Debby and The Riston Family purchased the Divine Light for the family of Howard Wayne Gentry.



Johnny Bet, Debby and The Riston Family - June 11, 2024 at 02:09 PM

SO

“ Janine, Annette, Joyce & all the family; I am so sorry to hear about Wayne passing away. He was such a nice man. Always smiling and such a gentlemen. You all are in my thoughts and prayers during this heartbreaking time. God be with you and give you strength and comfort in the days ahead. Rest in peace Wayne.



Susie O'Dell - June 11, 2024 at 01:36 PM

JL

“ Jerry and Tere Larson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Howard Wayne Gentry.

Jerry and Tere Larson - June 10, 2024 at 04:15 PM

JL

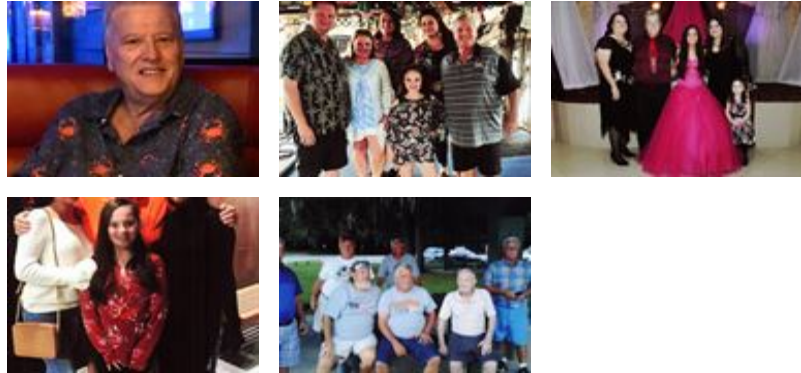
“ Jerry and Tere Larson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Howard Wayne Gentry.



Jerry and Tere Larson - June 10, 2024 at 04:15 PM



“ 126 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - June 10, 2024 at 03:45 PM



“ *The Sestito Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Howard Wayne Gentry.*



The Sestito Family - June 09, 2024 at 08:40 PM



“ *Janine, Gina, and Family,*

Another cousin gone too soon. Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers.

Debbie, Barry, Chris, Craig Bunner

Debbie Bunner - June 09, 2024 at 04:58 PM

SP

“ Janine,

I was shocked and saddened to learn of Wayne's passing. It has been many years since I have last seen you and your family, but you were not forgotten. Wayne was such a good guy. Before you guys met, on my visits to Miami, Wayne and I often went out to Jai Lai or to a bar. He was really special. But I am not telling you anything you don't already know.

May his name always be for a blessing.

Stuart Pavilack

Stuart Pavilack - June 09, 2024 at 02:07 PM

DG

“ Deepest Condolences to All of the family 🙏
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Debra Gann - June 08, 2024 at 02:14 PM

FF

“ From The McNeely Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Howard Wayne Gentry.

From The McNeely Family - June 08, 2024 at 01:16 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Howard Wayne Gentry.*



June 08, 2024 at 01:16 PM



“ *Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. So sorry for your loss.*

Sherrie K Dillard - June 08, 2024 at 01:01 PM



“ *Wayne, Bro, old friend, poker buddy, you fought a gallant fight and we were behind you all the way. The world is a much sadder place with you gone. Publix and Wendys and all your customers will miss you too. What's Dan going to do without the annual \$10 UF-UT money he's been winning? Love you Bro. Moeski*

George Moe Lipp - June 08, 2024 at 10:10 AM



“ *Ariadna C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Howard Wayne Gentry.*

Ariadna C. - June 08, 2024 at 09:45 AM

BG

“ *In loving memory of Howard Wayne Gentry!*



Benita & Peggy Griffin - June 08, 2024 at 04:01 AM

BG

“ *Benita & Peggy Griffin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Howard Wayne Gentry.*

Benita & Peggy Griffin - June 07, 2024 at 07:45 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Howard Wayne Gentry.*



June 07, 2024 at 07:45 PM

LH

“ *Prayers!*



Louise & Jimmy Hux - June 07, 2024 at 07:25 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Howard Wayne Gentry.*



June 07, 2024 at 06:44 PM



“ *Tania Shagoury lit a candle in memory of Howard Gentry*



Tania Shagoury - June 07, 2024 at 06:32 PM