



Craig Harlan Gathmann

December 20, 1964 - August 5, 2020

Craig Harlan Gathmann, 55, of Manito, passed away at Lake Regional Hospital in Osage Beach, Missouri, at 7:04 p.m. on Wednesday, August 5, 2020. He was born December 20, 1964, in Peoria, Illinois, to Virgil Lee and Alvena (Mohlman) Gathmann. He married Julie Boggs on June 10, 1989 at St. Paul Lutheran Church at Manito. She survives.

Mr. Gathmann is survived by his wife, Julie; one daughter, Natalia Marie Gathmann; and mother, Alvena Gathmann, all of Manito; two sisters: Janell (Ron) Durdle of Bloomington, Illinois and Mardell (Dave) Wilson of Glen Carbon, Illinois; as well as many nephews and a niece. He was preceded in death by his father, Virgil Gathmann in 2019 and father-in-law, John Boggs.

Mr. Gathmann was a baptized and confirmed member of St. Paul Lutheran Church at Manito, where he had served as Elder, President of the Congregation, Trustee, Head Usher for 35 years, and Sunday School Superintendent. He was a member of Forest City/Manito Rotary Club, Irrigated Growers, and Mason County Farm Bureau. He was currently the Vice President of the Midwest Central School Board of Education. He worked for Farm Credit Service from 1987-89 and Commerce Bank from 1989-2000. He had farmed his whole life, working in a part-time capacity until 2000, when he took over his farm full-time.

His passion in life was farming and he cherished his wife and daughter. He spent many hours involved in his daughter's activities and was a pillar in his faith and community. He was loved and will be missed by his family and many friends and neighbors.

Visitation will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church Parish Hall from 3:00 until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2020. Graveside services will be held at Meadowlawn Cemetery in Manito at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2020. Rev. James Batchelor will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church or Craig Gathmann Midwest Central School Athletic Memorial, to be used for the purchase of new basketball scoreboards. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Information for anyone who will be attending the visitation for Mr. Craig Gathmann:

During visitation, we will be limited to fifty individuals inside of the parish hall at St. Paul Lutheran Church at any one time. This is a requirement of the church.

To accomplish this, we will be putting cars in line, in front of the parish hall as they arrive. As people enter and leave the parish hall, we will invite more cars to pull in to fill the spaces. We ask that everyone stay inside of their cars until it is time to enter the parish hall.

The line will be formed from St. Paul Lutheran Church to the North on County

Road 3300E. The best way to enter the line will be to approach from the North. We will have attendants directing traffic at the church, for those individuals who need assistance.

Cemetery Details

Meadow Lawn Cemetery

801 E. Meadow Lawn St.
Manito, IL 61546

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 11. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul's Lutheran Church-Manito
21819 N Co Rd 3300 E
Manito, IL 61546

Graveside Service

AUG 12. 11:30 AM (CT)

Meadow Lawn Cemetery
801 E. Meadow Lawn St.
Manito, IL 61546

Tribute Wall



“ *Lisa Ulrich Thompsom lit a candle in memory of Craig Gathmann*



Lisa Ulrich Thompsom - July 29, 2025 at 10:39 PM



“ *Craig Harlan Gathmann*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *Julie,*
I am so very sorry for the loss of such an incredible man in your life. Craig was definitely “one of the goid guys”. He was always happy and had such a great sense of humor. I know how much he loved you and Natalia. When I heard this terrible news I felt like I had gotten punched in the gut. I already always held you in a special place in my heart for how incredible you were for my family when Lance was born. I know that God, your family and friends are already wrapped their arms around you two. Please know that you and Natalia will remain in my prayers and that I would do anything to help you that I could.

Steve Sebade

Steve Sebade - August 13, 2020 at 02:49 PM



“ Colorado Spruce Tree was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.



August 12, 2020 at 01:53 PM



“ I was one of Craig’s secretaries in the farm department at Commerce Bank. I still remember his first day there. Craig’s smile and upbeat attitude always brightened up our office!! I think back at so many funny stories we all shared. I was deeply saddened and shocked when I heard the news of his passing. Julie and family you have our DEEPEST SYMPATHY!! May your faith and strength in God help you get through this difficult time!! Rest In Peace Craig.
Dan and Sue Schartman

Sue Schartman - August 11, 2020 at 10:39 PM



“ My condolences to the entire Gathmann family. I was shocked when I learned of Craig’s untimely death. It was a blessing to work with Craig and the Gathmann family while doing corn research plots on their farm for many years. I always looked forward to the times we planted, managed and harvested the plot. I don’t remember a time when Craig was ever in a bad mood. He always greeted me with that broad, energetic smile. He and Virgil would always tell me that lunch would be brought to the field. I soon learned that Alvena’s cooking and especially her pies were masterpieces. Wonderful memories of a wonderful family. Julie and Natalia, God bless. Our prayers are with you.

Don Rhoads

Don Rhoads - August 11, 2020 at 10:25 PM

CW

“ I am very sorry he was a great person very helpful he liked my candy dish here at work and of course a cup of coffee to go with candy I will miss his smiling face always cheerful My prayers are with you and the family

cathy willismson - August 11, 2020 at 03:43 PM

JA

My thought and prayers go out to the entire Gathmann family , everyone that had the opportunity to meet Craig in there life have been blessed such a wonderful person and wonderful family

jasontimian - August 12, 2020 at 11:03 AM

DC

“ Thinking of the family 🙏🙏🙏 to all Dolores Curry

Dolores Curry - August 11, 2020 at 03:39 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.



August 11, 2020 at 11:48 AM

JE

“ Our deepest sympathy to Craig's family. We will always remember Craig from the county and state fairs. He was always laughing and smiling about something and ready to help anyone who might need it. He was just an all around great guy. Our most sincere condolences to his family. Greg,Jackie,Emily, and Brinna Ebken

Jackie Ebken - August 11, 2020 at 11:38 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 11, 2020 at 10:19 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 11, 2020 at 09:41 AM



“ *sincerely, Cuyler & Bree Thomas and family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



sincerely, Cuyler & Bree Thomas and family - August 11, 2020 at 09:11 AM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 11, 2020 at 07:02 AM



“ *Cheeseboard Complete was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 11, 2020 at 12:16 AM



“ *Christy Deutsch, Dawn Topping and Kathy Moran purchased the Sympathy Chocolates for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



Christy Deutsch, Dawn Topping and Kathy Moran - August 11, 2020 at 12:11 AM



“ *Tara Bristow & Aiden (BroMenn Lab) purchased the Mrs. Fields Nibblers® Sympathy Basket for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



Tara Bristow & Aiden (BroMenn Lab) - August 10, 2020 at 09:17 PM



“ *Jan Joaquin lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann*



Jan Joaquin - August 10, 2020 at 09:07 PM

TU

“ *Traci Unruh lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann*



Traci Unruh - August 10, 2020 at 08:58 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 10, 2020 at 07:02 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 10, 2020 at 06:07 PM

SD

“ *SLU's Division of Development purchased the Cherished Memories for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



SLU's Division of Development - August 10, 2020 at 04:13 PM

TG

“ Tony, Jeanette, Ames, & Lucy Gathman purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.



Tony, Jeanette, Ames, & Lucy Gathman - August 10, 2020 at 01:00 PM

DO

“ My deepest sympathy to Craig's family. He was a an exemplary student and a fine young man. I have fond memories of both Craig and Julie as well as Mardell and Janelle. My sincere condolences to you all. Deborah O'Shea

Deborah O'Shea - August 10, 2020 at 12:46 PM

BR

“ Barb Johnson, Bob, Alex, Rose purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.



Barb Johnson, Bob, Alex, Rose - August 10, 2020 at 11:57 AM

RD

“ Craig was a wonderful person. He loved to make people laugh. He will be truly missed. Rest in Peace.

Ruth E Dowell - August 10, 2020 at 11:49 AM

LC

“ Lindsay Corporation purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.



Lindsay Corporation - August 10, 2020 at 11:36 AM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.



August 10, 2020 at 10:57 AM

CA

“ Carle BroMenn Medical Center Administration/Staff purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.



Carle BroMenn Medical Center Administration/Staff - August 10, 2020 at 10:43 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.



August 10, 2020 at 09:10 AM

BL

“ *BroMenn/Eureka Laboratories purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



BroMenn/Eureka Laboratories - August 10, 2020 at 08:51 AM

NE

“ *Nick and Abby Birkland; Tony and Kristi Eichhorn purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



Nick and Abby Birkland; Tony and Kristi Eichhorn - August 09, 2020 at 11:17 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 09, 2020 at 10:19 PM

BG

“ Craig and I were in the same classes from 3rd grade through Junior High and shared many classes through high school and graduation in 1983. My first memory of Craig was in Miss Hanks's 3rd grade class. He was so generous and kind to me as a newbie at Forman Grade School, looking out for me and making sure I had what I needed. I remember his quirky sense of humor and his zest for life in school, participating in plays, sports, and band where he led the marching version of us with Julie. It's sad to lose this longtime classmate. I wish peace and comfort to Julie, Natalia and all family and friends close to Craig who are grieving this tragic loss.



Brenda Goddard-Laurence - August 09, 2020 at 07:25 PM

JG

What wonderful words. Thank you-Julie

Julie Gathmann - August 10, 2020 at 11:33 PM

JA

“ To all of you, I'm so very sorry. This was such a senseless accident, and it snuffed out such a beautiful, productive life. Craig is going to be missed by so many people. I know it doesn't seem like it now, but you will survive to continue his legacy



Alvena, I have known the pain of losing my father and my husband, but I can't imagine the pain of losing my son. My heart goes out to you.

Jane Armbrust - August 09, 2020 at 06:31 PM

SO

“ *Saint Louis University Provost's Office purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.* ”



Saint Louis University Provost's Office - August 09, 2020 at 05:17 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.* ”



August 09, 2020 at 05:05 PM



“ *Craig was the most caring guy. It was a pleasure growing up with Craig in the class of 83. My sincere thoughts and prayers for Craig's wife, children, and family. May God bless you all.* ”

Janet Fields- 83 classmate Janet Martin

Janet Fields - August 09, 2020 at 04:49 PM

JS

“ *Went to school with Craig. He was a great guy.* ”



Jonetia Sheff - August 08, 2020 at 08:45 PM

PW

“ Craig taught me how to play the Alto Sax because I could not read the music, and than the Tenor and Bari Sax. OMG the patience he had with me. Such a dear friend. My families hearts are breaking for his family right now. He even took me to contest at ICC and we got first place I guess you could call, battle of the bands. May God Bless all of his family at this so very sad time. You are all in our thoughts and prayers. He will never be forgotten.



Paulyn Reynolds Whewell - August 08, 2020 at 08:13 PM

JG

Thank you, Paulyn. Such wonderful memories and kind words

Julie Gathmann - August 10, 2020 at 11:36 PM

RK

“ Julie we are deeply saddened for your loss. We hope you are surrounded by your loving family and that you find strength and peace in the Lord. We are praying for you and your family. With Love, Dr John & Rebecca & the Kula Kids.

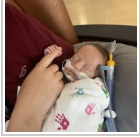


Rebecca Kula - August 08, 2020 at 05:13 PM

JG

Thank you and God Bless you all. You are a special family-Julie

Julie Gathmann - August 10, 2020 at 11:38 PM



“ *Brenda Krigner-Himmelrick lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann*



Brenda Krigner-Himmelrick - August 08, 2020 at 03:25 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 08, 2020 at 02:49 PM



“ *God's strength to you at the time of sorrow. God's will always be with you to comfort and sustain in the future. Tom and Deloris Blessman*

Deloris Blessman - August 08, 2020 at 02:47 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 08, 2020 at 02:14 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 08, 2020 at 12:46 PM



“ *Laura Friedrich McGahan lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann*



Laura Friedrich McGahan - August 08, 2020 at 12:25 PM



“ *Prayers to the family. I always had a honk, wave or a thumbs up when Craig was farming in my area when I'd go by. We had this thing about NH Combines. He was farming in JD green country. We had a NH and when my husband passed away, Craig said there is still one in the area. Craig will be missed such a good person. God be with you's. Carol Fisk Kolves.*

Carol Fisk Kolves - August 08, 2020 at 12:00 PM

KB

“ One of my strongest and at the same time fondest memories of Craig was on the senior class trip when I was a sponsor. We had all been up all night at Six Flags and we're dead tired (especially the sponsors). All we wanted was to close our eyes and sleep on the bus ride home. That is, everybody but Craig, who continued talking loudly. It was so funny because as if in one voice everyone yelled, "Shut up, Craig." It was said with love but seriousness. Kathy Barnes

Kathy Barnes - August 08, 2020 at 11:27 AM

SM

“ SO sorry to hear of Craig's passing. Our sincere condolences. Steve and Kay Moehring

Steve and Kay Moehring - August 08, 2020 at 11:25 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.



August 08, 2020 at 11:06 AM

RT

“ Rosie Tebben lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann



Rosie Tebben - August 08, 2020 at 11:05 AM

LI

“ We send our heartfelt condolences to the family....we pray that GOD will comfort and strengthen you through this time...LLOYD & NANCY INGERSOLL

Lloyd and Nancy Ingersoll - August 08, 2020 at 09:53 AM

DW

“ Craig was a great friend, farmer, and citizen. Most importantly, he was a great son, husband, and father. His sense of humor was good for any occasion. No higher praise than our generation's parents thinking of him as polite.

Darrell, Coleta, & Tony Wilson - August 08, 2020 at 09:52 AM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.



August 08, 2020 at 09:51 AM

LI

“ Lloyd And Nancy Ingersoll lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann



Lloyd and Nancy Ingersoll - August 08, 2020 at 09:47 AM

KT

“ *Deepest heartfelt sympathies and prayers to your family and friends. May you find peace, comfort and understanding. I remember Craig from kindergarten on up. Fly high Craig, you will be missed greatly.* ”



Kathy (Connor) Tillman - August 08, 2020 at 09:14 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.* ”



August 08, 2020 at 06:56 AM

DC

“ *Deb Curry lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann* ”



Deb Curry - August 08, 2020 at 02:04 AM

JS

“ *Jerry And Jackie Schier lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann* ”



Jerry and Jackie Schier - August 07, 2020 at 11:48 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 07, 2020 at 11:45 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 07, 2020 at 11:30 PM



“ *Kevin And Jody Randall lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann*



Kevin and Jody Randall - August 07, 2020 at 11:17 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers to family*



Sandy & BobbiJo Van Orman - August 07, 2020 at 11:00 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Craig Harlan Gathmann.*



August 07, 2020 at 10:33 PM



“ *Nancy Elliott lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann*



Nancy Elliott - August 07, 2020 at 10:00 PM



“ *Michelle Smith lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann*



Michelle Smith - August 07, 2020 at 09:37 PM



“ *Steve And Kim Singley lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann*



Steve and Kim Singley - August 07, 2020 at 09:31 PM

RC

“ *Richard And Lanette Crum lit a candle in memory of Craig Harlan Gathmann*



Richard and Lanette Crum - August 07, 2020 at 09:04 PM

EL

I am so sorry to hear about Craig and I shall always remember working with Craig at Commerce Bank. He was a really sharp individual and helpful to me with that smile and a great attitude. My heartfelt prayers and thoughts are with you and his family.

Eloise Alleman Laible

eloise Alleman Laible - August 09, 2020 at 01:17 PM