



Gary Russell Dye

January 14, 1943 - March 26, 2017

Gary Russell Dye, 74, of Havana, passed away at Mason District Hospital in Havana at 12:53 p.m. on Sunday, March 26, 2017. He was born January 14, 1943 in Havana, to Herbert and Avis (Dobson) Dye. He married Kathy V. Sperry on December 27, 1970 at the 1st Baptist Church in Havana.

Mr. Dye is survived by his wife, Kathy, one son, Mitchell (Jennifer) Dye and five grandchildren: Jessica, Ethan, Owen, Ryan and Lila, all of Havana. Also surviving are nine brothers and sisters: Valera Middleton, Buck (Shirley) Dye, Linda (Paul) Bailey, Barbara Bohannon, Kenny (Jane) Dye, Mike(Kathy) Dye, Mary (Gary) Kolves, Judy Richardson and Allen (Kathy) Dye. He was preceded in death by his parents, son Robert Anthony and one brother, Louie. Mr. Dye was a former member of the Havana Jaycees and a long-time member of the Havana Optimist Club. In his teenage years, he raced cars with his brother. He especially enjoyed following Havana Duck Basketball and had traveled to the State Tournament to watch them play. He had farmed, in the Havana area, since the age of eight. After high school, he joined the US Army Reserve. Throughout the winters, Gary had worked at International Harvester, and Sloan John Deere.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at Hurley Funeral Home in Havana from 5:00 until 7:00 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2017 at 11:00 a.m., also at the funeral home. Burial will be held at Laurel Hill Cemetery in Havana, following the services.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Diabetes Association or HHS

Booster Club. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **29**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana
217 North Plum Street
P.O. Box #648
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2244
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Funeral

MAR **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Gary Russell Dye

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ John and Nola purchased the In Memory Heart Shaped Music Box for the family of Gary Russell Dye.



John and Nola - April 04, 2017 at 09:13 PM



“ I just heard of the passing of Gary. I was very saddened to hear this. Gary, Kathy, and my mom (Marge Burgett) had so much fun and many good memories watching Havana basketball. I hope Kathy and family are doing well during this very difficult time.

Brad Burgett

Brad Burgett - April 01, 2017 at 09:00 PM



“ My prayer for the family. Kathy, I just read this on Saturday. I was shocked and saddened. I will continue to pray for you. May the Lord Jesus Christ bring you peace.

Belle Woods

Belle Woods - April 01, 2017 at 12:55 PM

JP

“ *Jim Parker lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye*



Jim Parker - March 31, 2017 at 04:19 PM

LH

“ *We are so sorry to learn of Gary's passing. He was a good man and a help to us on the farm . Please accept our deepest sympathy. Ron and Lois (Goudy) Holler*

Lois Holler - March 30, 2017 at 10:42 AM

TB

“ *Our deepest sympathies to Kathy, and all of the family. Gary was a great guy and he will be sorely missed by so many ... Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*
Tom and Terri Brownfield

Tom and Terri Brownfield - March 29, 2017 at 05:00 PM

LW

“ *Lori And Dan Wright lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye*



Lori and Dan Wright - March 29, 2017 at 03:46 PM

MS

“ We will miss seeing Gary's truck pull into the farm.....we will miss seeing him with his brothers and family washing the equipment to get ready for fall harvest. We will miss just standing around shooting the breeze on a wonderful summer day because there was quite simply nothing better to do at that moment than enjoy the company and the conversation.

You will be missed Gary.

The Smith Family.....Steve, Monica, Kevin and Kyle

Monica Smith - March 28, 2017 at 07:03 PM

CS

“ Craig Schaeffer lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye



Craig Schaeffer - March 28, 2017 at 07:00 PM

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Monica Smith - March 28, 2017 at 06:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gary Russell Dye.*



March 28, 2017 at 04:08 PM



“ *My sympathy to Gary.s family BUD STOCKHAM*

bud stockham - March 28, 2017 at 12:20 PM



“ *Julitta Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye*



Julitta Carpenter - March 28, 2017 at 11:57 AM



My sympathy to Gary 's family he was great man BUD STOCKHAM

bud stockham - March 28, 2017 at 12:22 PM



So sorry to hear this news. Gary was such a great guy and will be missed by so many. My heart goes out to Kathy and the rest of the family. God Speed Gary.

Jody & Ryan Watson - March 29, 2017 at 10:01 AM

JB

We just read that Gary had passed our tears are falling for you Kathy our friendship goes back many years as we remember our times shared during the NHRA racing day's with you and Gary he was such a happy person and will be missed by many who knew him and loved him. You are in our thoughts and prayers

John & Nola Boothe - April 04, 2017 at 07:51 PM



“ My prayers and thoughts to the entire DyeFamily--MaryLou Belless



MaryLou Belless - March 28, 2017 at 08:32 AM

BB

“ Bill And Robin Baughman lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye



Bill and Robin Baughman - March 28, 2017 at 05:22 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Gary Russell Dye.



March 27, 2017 at 11:19 PM

TT

“ Toni (Dye) Twiggs lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye



Toni (Dye) Twiggs - March 27, 2017 at 09:00 PM

 Chrissy Hutchison

“ Chrissy Hutchison lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye



Chrissy Hutchison - March 27, 2017 at 08:58 PM

PM

“ Paul And Becky Morgan lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye



Paul and Becky Morgan - March 27, 2017 at 07:41 PM

GF

“ Gary And Sharon France lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye



Gary and Sharon France - March 27, 2017 at 04:54 PM

RL

“ *Rich & Lynne lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye*



Rich & Lynne - March 27, 2017 at 04:45 PM

JO

“ *Jon lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye*



Jon - March 27, 2017 at 04:24 PM

JH

“ *So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. Keeping you all in our hearts and prayers at this time. With deepest condolences.*

Jon & Tammie Higginbotham - March 27, 2017 at 04:23 PM



Micaella Clay

“ *Bob Hammett and Gary at Bob's retirement party. We will miss you Gary !!*



Micaella Clay - March 27, 2017 at 04:09 PM

LT

“ Sorry for your loss! Our condolences to your family! Roger & Lisa Thompson



Lisa Jill Thompson - March 27, 2017 at 03:56 PM

DW

“ Sorry for your loss our thoughts and prayers are with you.



Dan and Chris Wilson - March 27, 2017 at 03:16 PM

RK

“ Richard Kahn lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye



Richard Kahn - March 27, 2017 at 03:07 PM

RK

So Sorry to hear of Gary's passing...My condolences go out to Katy, Mitchell and the entire family on your loss...

Richard Kahn - March 27, 2017 at 03:09 PM

RK

meant Kathy...sorry

Richard Kahn - March 27, 2017 at 03:10 PM

PM

“ *Our deepest sympathy to the entire Dye family.*

Paul and Becky Morgan

Paul and Becky Morgan - March 27, 2017 at 03:04 PM



“ *Robert Specketer lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye*



Robert Specketer - March 27, 2017 at 02:47 PM

DS

“ *Debi Weaver Scaggs lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye*



Debi Weaver Scaggs - March 27, 2017 at 02:13 PM

TR

“ *the families of June, Jean,Linda and Ronnie purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Gary Russell Dye.*



the families of June, Jean,Linda and Ronnie - March 27, 2017 at 02:11 PM

SS

“ Steve and Barb Specketer purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Gary Russell Dye.



Steve and Barb Specketer - March 27, 2017 at 02:03 PM

TL

“ So sorry to hear of Gary's passing thoughts and prayers are with you all at this difficult time.



The Lacey's - March 27, 2017 at 02:02 PM

KS

“ Kris And Bob Simmers lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye



Kris and Bob Simmers - March 27, 2017 at 01:52 PM

GK

So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. We shared many memories when we were running around Havana.

George Keys - March 28, 2017 at 05:20 PM

MC

“ Kathy our sincere condolences at this time. I have many fond memories of Gary especially in the late 60's while living in Havana. Always a friend, ready to help anyone, just one of the good ol'e guys. Mike and Linda Coker

mike coker - March 27, 2017 at 01:48 PM

KS

“ Ken AndJoAnn Shore lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye




Ken andJoAnn Shore - March 27, 2017 at 01:26 PM

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Ken andJoAnn Shore - March 27, 2017 at 01:25 PM

 Tammy Courtney - Frew

“ Sorry for your loss Brandi, Blake & Breanna Brown



Tammy Courtney - Frew - March 27, 2017 at 01:02 PM

RB

“ *RON BRADEN lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye*



RON BRADEN - March 27, 2017 at 12:58 PM

JE

“ *My memory of Gary is that he always seemed upbeat and happy to talk with you. He made time to talk to Ashley at every basketball game he came to. She really enjoyed that! We will miss him very much.*

Jenny Emmons - March 27, 2017 at 12:17 PM

ES

“ *Elva Stigall lit a candle in memory of Gary Russell Dye*



Elva Stigall - March 27, 2017 at 12:04 PM

ES

So sorry for your loss.

Elva Stigall - March 27, 2017 at 12:06 PM