



Gary King

May 15, 1956 - February 26, 2014

1956-2014

Gary Andrew King, age 57, a resident of Albuquerque, NM passed away on Wednesday, February 26, 2014 in a work-related accident. He was born and grew up in the East Mountain area. He lettered in track and wrestling, and graduated from Manzano High school in 1974. He was in the construction field from 1974 to the present as a Superintendent and General Supervisor. He held many certifications including Automotive Mechanic, Hazardous Materials Safety, Department of Homeland Security Federal Disaster Worker, and Safe Excavator. He was an active member of the community, and was a regular donor to United Blood Services. His hobbies included restoring his Model A Ford, participating in the Poco Quatros Model A club, and hot air ballooning. He was on the NRA Millennium Honor Roll, was a lifetime member in the NRA, a member of the New Mexico Gun Collectors Association, and of the Bass Fishing Club. He was an avid Lobos and Isotopes fan. He was a much-loved uncle, brother, and friend to many. He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Susanna King; and sister-in-law, Dinah. Gary is survived by his brothers, Steve King and wife, Susan, Jeff King and wife, Sara; sister, Betsy Brubaker and husband, Steve; niece, Rose King; and nephew, William Brubaker. Please join the family for a Celebration of Gary's life on Friday, March 7th from 6-9p.m. at the Ramada Hotel and Conference Center, 10300 Hotel Ave NE, Albuquerque (Kiva Room) 505 296 4852. Wear bright colors and bring your stories about Gary, who departed this life too soon. In lieu of

flowers, please make a donation to the charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall

EL

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eloisa - March 09, 2014 at 03:29 PM

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ST

“ *I am truly heartbroken that our friend has left this earth. He was always such a bright spot and filled a room with joy and laughter! We have so many fond memories of Gary that involved family get togethers, birthday parties, camping adventures and dinners out. He was really a gem. I will always remember the twinkle in his eye and the smile on his face that came just before we broke out into laughter! He was a terrific human being...always.*

To our friend Gary- Thank you for blessing our lives with such a precious friendship. We love you and will miss you. Sandy, Chuck, Charles and family, and Kelliann

Sandy Townsend - March 08, 2014 at 06:29 PM

DD

“*Sad, sad news we received today. Gary was one of the good guys. I told Romaine after hearing the news "there was a guy that would never become a grumpy old man." It just wasn't in his nature. Always up for anything and give you the shirt off his back. Wish we could have been there to share stories and cry our eyes out.*
Dennis & Romaine Dunn

Johnny Yuma.....was a rebel.....

Dennis Dunn - March 08, 2014 at 03:37 PM

TN

“*Dear King Family,*
I just wanted to tell you how very sorry we are for your loss! While we did not know your family member personally, we waived at the whole crew every morning while they fixed the road outside our home and are just horrified by this horrible accident where your loved one lost his life! Every day when I drive by his memorial I think of how unfortunate this is and am just so deeply moved and saddened for your family. Every day I say a prayer for Gary as I pass his memorial and just wanted you to know that he will not be forgotten here in Peralta, from what I am reading he seemed to be a great guy! Again my condolences to you and I hope that you find peace. Sincerely, Tammi Nidever and Chuck Gonzales of 3 Norris Lane, Peralta NM

Tammi Nidever - March 07, 2014 at 03:32 PM

KR

“ I remember you were the first boy to dance with me at the 7th grade sock hop at Roosevelt Jr High. Awww...and you were the shortest boy too! Catching up with you years later you were not so short anymore! I will always remember your smile and how you just seemed to light up the room with your presence. God bless Gary! My sympathies to all your friends and family.

Kim Richards - March 07, 2014 at 02:12 PM

JB

“ We have lost a truly wonderful man. Gary you made every outing such a laugh. You helped Craig stage the fake burning of Terry's grandfather's camping chair and then patched up the ruffled feathers with a, " Come on dude, how long have you known these guys?" You took having insane amounts of eyeliner and lipstick applied to you while you sleeping with amazing good humor. Our trip to Balloon Fiesta with the little Rings and little McKees was a blast. We have a fist full of pictures and memories from Vallecitos we will treasure forever. You are gone too soon, and will be missed forever.

We trust you will have a bonfire going and beers on ice. We will see you when we get there.

Love, Jo and Sarah Bridge

Jo and Sarah Bridge - March 07, 2014 at 11:38 AM

CT

“ SPOKE TO SEVERAL FRIENDS LAST NITE AND THIS AM. ITS REALLY SAD, BUT I BELIEVE WHAT I SHARED WITH GARY, BETSY AND THE ENTIRE KING FAMILY, I WILL HAVE FOREVER IN MY HEART AND IN MY MEMORIES, AND THEY ARE ALL GREAT! I HAVE SHARED SOME OF THESE MEMORIES WITH MY LITTLE FAMILY AND THE GREAT PART OF THAT IS....BECAUSE I SHARED GARY'S LIFE, MADE MOMENTS IN MY LIFE UNFORGETTABLE, NOW PASSED TO MY KIDS. THE FUN AND ADVENTURES OF THE MOUNTAIN TRIBES. RUNNING THE MOUNTAIN THAT WAS OURS! BACK-PACKING THE GILA - 50 MILES TURNED INTO 95. BUT I MADE IT . WOW! SKINNY-DIPPING IN DR. GRADYS LAKE...OOPS. THE PARTIES WITH RICKY, RICHARD FAREWELL, CRAIG MCKEE AND OF COURSE " JUNGLE-JUICE BOB". THOUGH I WAS A SISTER "LITTLE" AND TRUELY BLESSED TO HAVE BETSY AND SUSAN AS BEST FRIENDS- WE KEPT UP. THE LOG CABINS YOU GUYS BUILT IN THE WOODS...NOW YOU KNOW, I WAS THE ONE WHO "RATTED-OUT" THOSE GIRLY MAGS. LOL GARY, YOUR THE BEST, HUG MY BROTHER FOR ME & GO FISHING WITH HIM! GONE BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN, EVER!! THANKS TO ALL THE KING'S - BIG HUGS! BETSY - BIGGEST HUGS!



CARLA REED TROUT - March 07, 2014 at 10:57 AM

 Regina Hearn

“ Gary, you are the only one I can truly remember from 1st grade. Your walk and laugh never changed! You were a sweet loyal friend. John & I will continue to look for you at the Topes and Lobo games. We just can't believe you are gone. I will always remember you Gary, the fun we had along with the times we cried and of course the times we laughed! We were truly blessed to have you in our lives. Rest in Peace my friend.

Regina Hearn - March 07, 2014 at 12:14 AM

NR

“ My uncle Ricky and Gary were best friends growing up and my grandmother told me a story last night about when they were paving the Crest Rd, Gary and my uncle actually went out at night and moved the survey cones so that in the morning, the surveyors would have to re-do the work before the job would begin. I guess Gary was always destined for construction. :) I didn't know Gary but my grandmother and the rest of my family send their deepest condolences for your family. God Bless!



Nikki Reed - March 06, 2014 at 02:17 PM



“ Gary, what can I say..we met when we were 14 years old. Growing up with you was truly a gift. You were always ready to have fun. We shared lots of events together like the time you were driving up our road to go hunting with dad and Kraig and we hit head-on. When we got out of our vehicles we hugged each other and cried and laughed. As adults we had many fun trips to Vallecitos and Las Vegas. You were such a fun Uncle Gary to my kids. Your kindness to my mom was incredible. We were all so blessed to have you in our lives. May your huge smile shine down on all of us. You were truly a gift to have in our lives and we will love you forever. Kristy McKee Ring and family

Kristy Ring - March 06, 2014 at 11:11 AM

KW

“ Gary you will be missed, my thoughts and prayers go out to your family.

Keith Wright - March 05, 2014 at 10:04 PM

BH

“ Gary you will be missed but never forgotten. God Bless you and your family.

Brandon Hollenbeck - March 05, 2014 at 09:19 PM

SA

“ Hey there--- "THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES, UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN""!!!

secret admirerer - March 05, 2014 at 08:05 PM

DL

“ Austin said u were the best

david lee - March 05, 2014 at 07:38 PM

DL

“ I meant were sorry

david lee - March 05, 2014 at 07:31 PM

SM

“ Gary, you will truly be missed and it was a pleasure knowing you. God Bless.

Steve Moya

Steve Moya - March 05, 2014 at 07:22 PM

DL

“ Hey gary me again u where the best never be forgot

david lee - March 05, 2014 at 07:10 PM

TF

“ *Your friendly smile, quick wit and genuinely warm demeanor will always stay with us.*

The Moore Family - March 05, 2014 at 05:26 PM

LY

“ *Gary, You were fun to work with, and a special person. My life is better for knowing you. Lynda*

Lynda - March 05, 2014 at 04:45 PM

JS

“ *Gary was a friend who was always there when we called - for ballooning, moving, building, kids birthday parties, barbeques....any party...One of the first people we met back in 1976 (when Gary was just a kid really) when we moved to New Mexico....Gary was one of those rare people who never changed....a gentle soul and a true friend...*

Although he is gone, we will treasure him in our hearts forever....The Sharp Family

John and Patricia Sharp - March 05, 2014 at 03:04 PM

JS

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



John and Patricia Sharp - March 05, 2014 at 02:58 PM

BE

“ I remember all the funs times playing supposed to be touch football in the dirt road, which ended up being tackle, and run everybody over. I remember stories I would hear about Gary and my brother Rick pulling up survey stakes on the Crest Highway every night and making lots of fun doing it. What wonderful memories I will always carry in my heart. Now I have lost two big brothers. I will truly miss you. God Bless and enjoy all the fishing that u and Rick can do now.
Love Billie J. (Reed) Ehle



Billie J Ehle - March 05, 2014 at 11:52 AM

NR

Mom- we shared the same story :)

Nikki Reed - March 06, 2014 at 02:20 PM

SL

“ Gary, I remember most how much fun Betsy and I had harassing you whenever I got to sleep over. A tickle fest comes to mind, which really makes me laugh when I think of ahem- what a gas it was. ;-D.

I am sad to hear you have left so suddenly. I wish you and your family peace. Much love to the King clan. Sue Stearns Liebold

Susan Liebold - March 05, 2014 at 11:19 AM

BR

“ Gary, you were dearly loved... you will be truly missed... but you will NEVER be forgotten!!! Dave & Barb Rodgers

Barb Rodgers - March 05, 2014 at 10:08 AM

DL

“ Hey gary i will miss bud we had fun times now u can fish all day and get that laker u were like my second dad at least i know u are safe now

david lee - March 05, 2014 at 09:53 AM

JK

“ gary; whats your point

jeff king - March 05, 2014 at 08:11 AM

 Carlos Ortiz

“ Carlos Ortiz lit a candle in memory of Gary King



Carlos Ortiz - March 04, 2014 at 09:28 PM

LO

“ A life that touches others goes on forever...

A heart of gold stop beating... Two shining eyes a rest... God broke our hearts to prove... He only takes the best...

No farewell words were spoken... There was no time to say goodbye... You were gone before I knew it... And only God knows why...

Always Lorenzo...

Lorenzo - March 03, 2014 at 02:52 PM