

## Gary Alphin

February 15, 1953 - June 14, 2023

Gary Clay Alphin, of Forney, passed away on June 14, 2023 with his loving family at his side. Gary was born on Feb. 15, 1953 in Dallas to James Alvin Alphin and Kathryn Joan (Taylor) Bogle, both of whom preceded him in death. Gary was a devoted husband and wonderful father with a personality that charmed everyone he met. He had a wonderful wit and loved to make others laugh with humorous insights and a few practical jokes! He married his best friend, Debra Lynn Solomon, on Jan. 29, 1977 and together they made a life filled with love and great times. He enjoyed the outdoors and was an avid fisherman and also liked to go camping. He golfed and enjoyed the time spent with his friends where he loved friendly (and personal) competition as he improved his game. He worked as a steamfitter in the D/FW area on many manufacturing and industrial projects and was a member of the Plumbers and Steamfitters Local Union #100 in Garland, TX where he made many lifelong friends. Along with his respected work ethic, Gary was known for his ability to attract all types of animals, domestic as well as wild life. He had a special appreciation for ducks and enjoyed watching them on lakes and ponds but he loved taking care of the many dogs, chickens, and other animals that came into his life. It was well known that all animals had a tendency to approach Gary first which earned him the family name of "Dr. Doolittle" and there was never a four legged creature that didn't immediately approach Gary for love, safety and care. A man whose heart was always for others, Gary will be missed by everyone who knew him and never forgotten.

He is survived by his loving wife, Debra Alphin, of Forney; cherished daughter, Heather Thompson and husband, Nicholas, of Quinlan, TX; grandson, Jared Alphin of Quinlan; brother, Randy Alphin of Quinlan and sister, Julie Whaley and husband, Eddie, of Conroe, TX as well as other extended family, his Local Union brotherhood and many friends.

A Celebration of Gary's life will be at 3:00pm, Saturday, July 8, 2023 at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel with his family receiving friends beginning at 2:00pm to service time.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

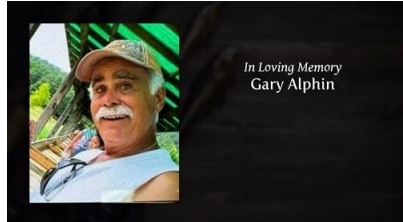
JUL 8. 3:00 PM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel  
642 N. Rockwall Ave.  
Terrell, TX 75160

# Tribute Wall



“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary Alphin*



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**Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations** - August 05, 2023 at 04:25 PM



“ *Gary Alphin*

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October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Gary Alphin.*

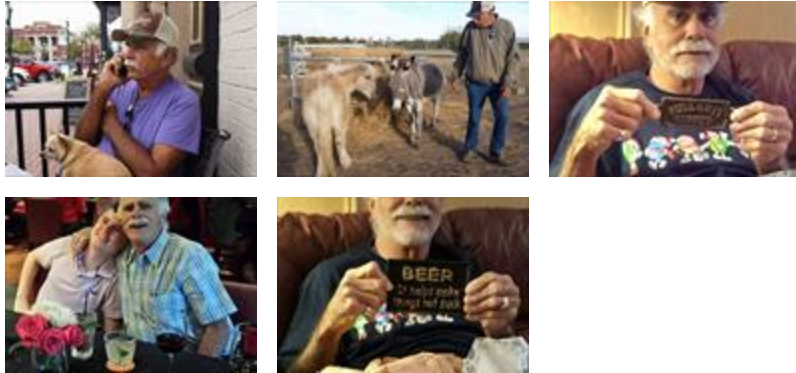


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July 07, 2023 at 01:36 PM



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Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - July 06, 2023 at 01:36 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gary Alphin.

July 05, 2023 at 12:00 PM



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



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“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Gary Alphin.



July 04, 2023 at 01:09 PM