



Gary Mathews

October 13, 1940 - July 3, 2022

Gary Forrest Mathews passed away peacefully at his home in Terrell, TX on July 3, 2022, surrounded by his family. Gary was born October 13, 1940, in Portland, Oregon to Forrest Allen and Geneva Mathews. Both of his parents preceded him in death along with all but one of his siblings.

Gary was a man who had a deep love for his family. If you were to ask what Gary's hobbies were, it would be something to do with family or involving family. He was a great husband, father, and grandfather. He was truly a "Family Man". Along with his love for family, Gary also had other wonderful affections: his country, his dogs and classic cars. Gary served in the Army and became an expert pistol sharpshooter. While in the armed forces, he won multiple awards. Gary enjoyed spending time with his beloved pooches, even the extra spoiled ones. Everyone who knew Gary knew he was especially fond of his classic cars. He owned several throughout his life. Gary was also a teamster member and drove many miles serving alongside his friends. Gary's memory will live on through his close-knit family and friends.

Left to cherish Gary's memory are his loving wife, Sharron Mathews; son, Terry McDonald and wife, Becky of Milwaukie, OR; daughter, Tracy Stephens of Clackamas, OR and son, Edward (Ed) Mathews and wife, Michelle of Terrell, TX. Also left to cherish Gary's memory are Tom Sanders of Woodburn, OR, who is like a son to Gary, and his one surviving brother, Charles Thomas (Tom) Mathews and wife, Betti of Vancouver, OR, along with numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all of whom will miss Gary deeply.

The family is planning a celebration of Gary's life at a later date in Oregon.

Tribute Wall



“ *Gary Mathews*

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