



Gaylen Lawrence Greve

November 22, 1950 - January 16, 2023

Gaylen Lawrence Greve, of Nashville, TN, was born while his father was stationed at Offutt AFB in Nebraska. He lived in many places, including Japan. He passed away on January 16, 2023, at the age of 72.

He leaves behind to mourn, his wife, Vicki; mother-in-law, Velma; brother-in-law, Hollie, who are all from Nashville, TN; sisters, Kathy, Cindy, and Terri who are all from Columbus, OH; 2 nieces and 1 nephew, and all Klingons.

He enjoyed snow sports and summer sports, especially fishing. He would sometimes fish all day, catching nothing. But recently caught two bass at one time, using a worm on one hook and a minnow on the other.

During the Vietnam era, he was an air traffic controller in the Air Force. In the past he was a Deacon at GFCC in Tucker, GA, a softball player, and later an umpire in Atlanta, GA, where he became President of the Softball Association. In the past he was 'Gandalf the Gray' in cosplay and grew in his own real beard to go with it.

He became a professional handyman and a HVAC specialist and could figure out a solution for anything.

His wife suspects he was a dog person but let her have felines. He especially loved his 2 adopted senior cats.

He never lost his weird sense of humor, including the last day he tried to stand, saying, "I've fallen, and I can't get up!"

His last word was "Rocketship." We think this meant he was going up.

When you hear the song, "Spirit in the Sky," think of Gaylen.

There are no services planned at this time.

Tribute Wall



“ 2 files added to the album DragonCon



B - March 17, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ Gaylen was a good man, good neighbor, And I considered him a good friend. He would help when you needed it. Gaylen would make me smile and laugh when he would cut up and joke, and most times it was with a straight face, taking me by surprise, I would wonder is he serious or is he joking? 😊 And I came to understand, this was "Gaylen's" way. I considered Gaylen and Vicki as good friends. He loved my potato salad, as was told to me by Vicki, and she said, he told her that it was the best he ever had, and I know my potato salad! I'll always remember Gaylen, and he will always come to mind, and I'll hear those words in my head when it comes to potato salad time.

Stephanie Jones - January 22, 2023 at 03:20 AM



“ The love of my life. Best friend. Co-believer in Jesus who did it all for us. We will see Him. We will live forever and do things the mind could not imagine
Love you Hubby.

Vicki and Gaylen Greve - January 20, 2023 at 09:44 PM

WL

I met Gaylen aa he worked for a customer of mine. We talked softball and he wanted to play. The rest is our history and great fortune to be friends forever. Missed him the few last years as he and Vicki moved away, but I cannot say enough about the loyalty and quality of our friendship. Gaylen was a great man, who I always loved, and it breaks my heart to hear of his passing. I'm sorry we lost contact, but hopefully he knew the love I had for him.. RIP my friend.. You were one of the good guys..♥♥love you man..

william Light - March 19, 2023 at 09:13 PM

ER

“ I enjoyed working treklanta with Gaylen. He was so amusing and made me laugh all the time. I am sorry to hear that we have lost this amazing man. Love you Vicki. I know you will miss him.

elisa Roper - January 18, 2023 at 04:14 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gaylen Lawrence Greve.



January 18, 2023 at 03:48 PM

HC

“ Farewell to you on your last voyage, my friend.



Hugues Chevalier - January 18, 2023 at 03:20 PM

AL

Great memory! Thanks for snuggles and story time! We will Miss you and your humor !

Alma - January 19, 2023 at 12:40 AM

SU

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Sue - January 18, 2023 at 12:41 PM

GH

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Georgia A Henes-Hembree - January 18, 2023 at 11:18 AM

GH

This is one of my favorite photos and memories. Although he didn't know him, Benicio decided Gaylen was his buddy even. He handed the book to Gaylen and curled up next to him for a shared read. I thought it was the sweetest thing that Gaylen didn't hesitate. I believed Benny sensed the kindness in Gaylen.

Georgia A Henes-Hembree - January 18, 2023 at 11:17 AM

JB

“ Vicki, Velma and Hollie were neighbors to my dad Jerry . They were all close friends , he and Bobby too. Praying for you folks ,

Jon Briggs

Jon Briggs - January 17, 2023 at 05:11 PM

VG

please call us sometime Jon.

Vicki and Gaylen Greve - January 19, 2023 at 10:11 PM