



Gary A. Byrd

June 9, 1958 - August 3, 2020

Gary A. Byrd,

62, of Indianapolis, passed away August 3, 2020. He was born June 9, 1958 in Lafayette, Indiana to Richard Paul Byrd and Ruth Neomi Shideler Cox.

Gary proudly served his country in the United States Army, 82nd Airborne, 1st Calvary. He was the owner of Byrd's Delivery Service. Gary was a former member of the Lion's Club; current president of the Funtastics Club for Disabled Adults; and Linden Conservation Club. He was very artistic and worked with leather crafting, oil and acrylic painting, playing the guitar and target shooting. Gary loved working with the disabled and made every event fun and full of joy.

Visitation will be Monday, August 10, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service at 12 noon at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St.

Gary is survived by his loving wife, Cherrie E. Byrd; children, Matthew Byrd and Brandi Squires (Spencer); step-daughter, Michelle Traynor (Robert Raisovich); mother, Ruth Cox; brother, Richard Lee Byrd (Kelly); and sister, Kathy Denham. Gary's father, Richard Paul Byrd, preceded him in death. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Funtastics Club, 702 N. DeQuincy St., Indianapolis, IN 46201.

Cemetery Details

Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46229

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 10. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
9606 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Funeral Service

AUG 10. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ You ment so much to Scott and me. You made put the Fun in our Funtastic!! We love and miss you .It won.t be the same without youL
Love always Scott& Linda Wilhelm

Linda Wilhelm - August 08, 2020 at 11:16 PM



“ With Distinction was purchased for the family of Gary A. Byrd.



August 08, 2020 at 10:53 PM

HS

“ It’s been awhile since we shared some decent one on one time together . I’ll never forget our sailing excursion on Lake Monroe that hot summer weekend ! You and I were both learning how to sail , I’ll hand it to you though , you did know more of the sailor terminology than I . Even so , we set out on a weekend journey and had the time of our lives . No alcohol or drugs , nothing but pure wholesome sailing !

I do recall not much wind though lol , but that didn’t matter to us , we were catching up on lost time . I recall as we took off about an hour into our journey , a quick sudden breeze kicked up and the sail turned fast , bout knocked me out , and the boat was at a 45° angle , we were doing our best to ride the top side so it wouldn’t take on water ... lol , but that wasn’t enough fun for us . We had to cup it more and then began to take on water , I remember thinking holy shit we are going down !!! But you being the great Skipper that you were managed to get us back up right and safe once again . What a blast we had !

I remember we just hit the lake at the wrong time because the weather was sunny and hot , but no matter how much we prayed for a breeze , it just didn’t happen ... lol . That was ok though , the whole arrangement was to get you and I put and together like back in the day . I know I thanked you for that experience and fun , but we never got a chance to get back together again and have more bro time . We called one another from time to time , but the hustle of life , our families and work seemed to have kept us so busy that we never got together as much as we should have .

I miss the phone conversations , they spating back and forth on FB over our politics . But you and I could always come together and have laughs as well , that’s what family does , true friends do that also , and you my cuz were just that ! You have deeply saddened us by your sudden departure .

SHOCKING THE WORLD

Gary Byrd

1958 - 2020

Until we meet again , I bid you awesome journeys !

Cousins by blood , brothers by heart , friends by choice .



Harry G. Shideler - August 08, 2020 at 10:30 PM



I'm sorry for your loss... I saw your post on FB, but couldn't see the pic. Reading the story I put two & two together. While I never did meet Gary, I befriended his brother Rich while riding the train to and from NYC daily from CT and know he must have been a great man based on his choices in life, not only for his service to our country, but for his time spent with disabled adults. My sincere condolences.

Norman Perkel - November 02, 2020 at 06:33 AM

PC

“ Love and Prayers to all your family. I hope you and Larry have shared a few laughs for old times sake!



Penny Chapo - August 07, 2020 at 11:09 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Gary A. Byrd.



August 07, 2020 at 08:22 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Gary A. Byrd.*



August 07, 2020 at 11:57 AM



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



August 07, 2020 at 12:46 AM



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



August 06, 2020 at 03:16 PM



“ *Harry Shideler lit a candle in memory of Gary A. Byrd*



Harry Shideler - August 06, 2020 at 02:04 PM



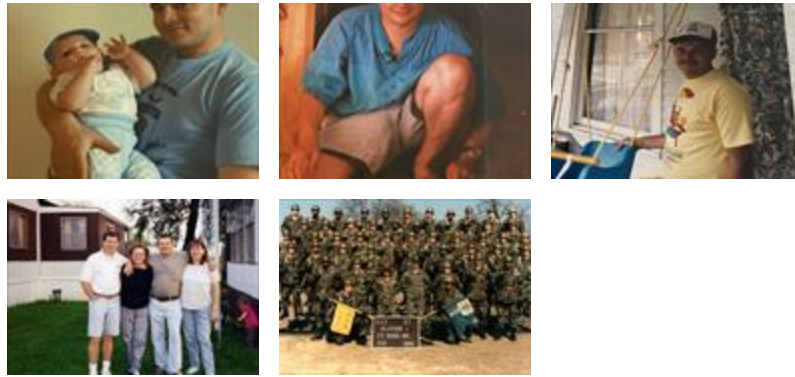
“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Gary A. Byrd.*



August 06, 2020 at 01:58 PM



“ *50 files added to the album Memories Album*



Richard Byrd - August 06, 2020 at 11:23 AM



“ *Rip Gary apart of you will forever live within your children, Matthew and Brandi. And now within your brand new grandson Declan. Born 2 days after you left us. You will forever be in our hearts and memories. I hope fly high upon that mountain*



Connie Rice - August 06, 2020 at 11:03 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gary A. Byrd.



August 06, 2020 at 08:45 AM



“ Sharon Byrd lit a candle in memory of Gary A. Byrd



Sharon Byrd - August 05, 2020 at 08:43 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers. RIP Gary 🙏

Jeff Rice - August 05, 2020 at 07:44 PM



“ Kathy Denham lit a candle in memory of Gary A. Byrd



Kathy Denham - August 05, 2020 at 07:17 PM



“ Henry Barnett lit a candle in memory of Gary A. Byrd



Henry Barnett - August 05, 2020 at 07:05 PM

HA

“ Henry, Lacie, Colton, Landon, Aubriella & Amber purchased the Reflections of Glory Wreath for the family of Gary A. Byrd.



Henry, Lacie, Colton, Landon, Aubriella & Amber - August 05, 2020 at 06:59 PM

LA

“ Love MOM, Kathy, Henry, Lacie & Amber purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Gary A. Byrd.



Love MOM, Kathy, Henry, Lacie & Amber - August 05, 2020 at 06:47 PM