



## Gary Wayne Benton

September 2, 1947 - November 18, 2009

Age 62 of Shoreview. Died suddenly November 18, 2009 after a battle with cancer surrounded by his loving family. Gary was loved by many and brought smiles to all those around him. Survived by wife, Debora Scott; children, Rebecca (Alan) Blake, Jesse (Molly) Benton, Benjamin (Angie) Benton and Lindsay Scott; grandchildren, Katherine, John & Carrick Blake, Ashley & Elizabeth Kinne and Kaleigh & Dorothy Benton; siblings, Delores (Glenn) Gummert and Lyle "Bud" (Ann) Benton. Gary was a proud Marine. Former owner of Ova-Easy Egg Ranch in Colcord, OK. He was a longtime employee of Oxygen Service Co. (OSC) of St. Paul. Gary enjoyed family, friends and fishing at Crane Lake. Funeral service 3PM Saturday, November 21 (visitation begins at 2:00PM) at HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM-PURCELL, 515 Hwy 96 at Mackubin, Shoreview (651-482-7606). Memorials preferred.

# Tribute Wall

CW

“ Dear Debbie,  
My deepest sympathies on Gary's passing. I am sorry I never got to meet him but am so happy he was in your life.

Carla Wheeler

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Carla Wheeler - November 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ Deb,  
My deepest sympathy at the loss of your husband. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I hope you can find some comfort knowing Gary is in God's Loving Care and that he is watching over you and his family in Peace.

Terri Durr

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Terri Durr - November 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ You were a great friend to my husband. Join him now in fishing paradise. Rest in Peace.

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Laurie Ruh - November 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ I met so many people at Dad's funeral. It is amazing how many lives he touched; hearing all the different stories.  
If any of you ever feel like sharing stories or thoughts about Dad, please feel free to email me [benjamingbenton@yahoo.com](mailto:benjamingbenton@yahoo.com)

Thank you, Ben Benton

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Ben Benton - November 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *Deb,*

*You and your entire family are in our thoughts and prayers. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to help.*

*Deepest Regards,  
Mike*

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**Mike Pietig** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ *Debora-*

*I am so sorry for your loss ... my thoughts are with you!!*

*Barbara*

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**Barbar** - November 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *To Deb and Gary's family, Gary was bigger than life and had a zest for living. He loved to have fun and everything was a wonderful adventure. He also loved to share the fun with his friends. His joy for life was contagious and will be missed immensely. We'll always love you Gary and you're only a memory away.*

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**Bob and Missy Scott** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ *Deb & Lindsay*

*You are in our thoughts and prayers. Sorry we aren't able to be there with you now...but I'm so grateful that I was there last weekend.*

*He's in all our hearts now forever.*

*Hope to get back for a visit again soon.*

*Love Allana, Carl, Michael & Kurt Big XO*

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**Allana Hogard** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PA

“ *god bless to all of the Benton family. and to everyone that loved him.*

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**pat** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Gary was one of the most friendly, up beat people I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. I have known Gary for over 30 years. It saddens me that he won't be at Oxygen Service the next time I visit.*

*My condolences to this family and friends. I also want to thank him for his military service. He was a patriot.*

*I will miss his smile and friendship,*

*Dan Spackman*

*Red Lion, PA*

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**Dan Spackman** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ My thoughts are with you and so our my prayers..  
Gary was part of my life for over 30 years. I watch his family grow up and then he watch my family, it's like we were brothers. We had so much fun we started THE G BROTHERS CLUB, everyone wanted to join us, as we had so much fun and we did...So my friend, thank you for being part of my life.

SEMPER-FI MARINE

LOVE YA LIKE A BROTHER

GUNNY....

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**GUNNY LECLAIR** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ It was a great pleasure working with someone like you who always stayed positive about everything.And thank you for serving our country. You will be missed and thought of for many years to come hear at Oxygen Service.

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**steve collard** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ we will surly miss gary, at work !He was one of the nicest men i ever meet !May the good lord look over you !!

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**Don and Linn Valley** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ My husand and I are sorry for your loss. We will miss Gary very much. He was so much fun at our company events, he put a smile on everyone's face. We will pray for him and his family.

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**Susan Olson** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Gary...was a 'great guy' and always had good things to say about others.

Going to miss those great 'poker games....

My Condolences....

Richard LePage

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**Richard LePage** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ Our deepest sympathy for your loss. We're in Florida and unable to attend the service. Gary was a great guy to work with and will be missed.

DuWayne will miss his morning greeting of "Hello Mr. Emerson" and return of "Good Morning GWB"

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**DuWayne & Betty Emerson** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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**GUNNY LECLAIR** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ We will miss our Clark's mom's haircut nights!! God Bless Mr. Benton and thank you for always being upbeat and positive. You will be missed!

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**Jeff & Jan Tuomela** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Gary will be missed. He was always great to work with.

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**Craig P** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ It was a pleasure working with you Gary.I'll miss the wednesday night beers at the Hoggsbreath.

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**TAB WILLIAMS** - November 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Debora -

*Your friends and colleagues at Validus have you and your family in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Kim P-P*

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**Kimbelry Pederson-Parrish** - November 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM