



Gerhardt Victor Meyer

April 11, 1926 - August 10, 2009

Age 83 Passed away on August 10, 2009. He was preceded in death by parents and one brother. He is survived by wife of sixty years, Loma; Children Miriam (Larry) Heinert and Martin (Cathy) Meyer; six grandchildren Mark (Heather) Heinert, Beth Heinert, David, Colleen, Laura and Christa Meyer; two sisters Luella Kovac, Dorian Bisping; brother Delbert Meyer. He served as Lutheran teacher and principal from 1947 to 1963 and at Concordia University, St. Paul as professor and administrator from 1964 to 1993. He received numerous teaching and service awards during his career. Visitation Wednesday 4:30 - 7:30 PM at HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM (651-482-7606), 515 w. Hwy 96, Shoreview. Funeral service Thursday 11:00 AM at EMMAUS LUTHERAN CHURCH, 1074 W. Idaho Ave. Interment Incarnation Cemetery. There will also be visitation on Thursday AT THE CHURCH from 10 am until time of service. Memorials preferred to the Meyer Scholarship Fund, Concordia University, 275 Syndicate Ave. North, St. Paul or donor's choice

Tribute Wall

BH

“ *Dear Loma and family,*

Jeanne and I would like to extend our heartfelt sympathies to the family. May God be with you during this difficult time. Jeanne and I will always fondly remember Gary and all the love and care we received from him as we started out on our journey at CSP. Gary has such a servant's heart! He will be missed. We look forward to all being together in Paradise with all our loved ones and with our Lord!

Love in Christ,

*Ben and Jeanne Holten
and Family*

Ben H. Holten - August 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ *Loma and Family,*

Our Christian sympathy to you as you mourn the passing of Gary. It was an honor to know him as a colleague and professional educator.

May God bless you richly in the days and weeks and months to come!

Gene and Jan

Gene and Jan Ladendorf - August 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM

VF

“ My sympathy to you, Loma, and your loved ones. My favorite memory of Gary is his being organist at Bob's & my wedding in 1948. Gary said we were the only ones who ever asked him. We were very fond of Gary.

Love & prayers,

Valeria "Val" Luehmann Fischer

Valeria Luehmann Fischer - August 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ I am so sorry to hear that Professor Gary passed away. I will always have very fond memories of him. He was a very inspirational individual. When ever I think of him I always remember his "Green Pen". I have shared that story with many people over the years. He is a treasure that will truly be missed.

Lori Hertzberg - August 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ My christian sympathies to all of you. Prof.Meyer was my student teaching supervisor in 1969. He was a big influence on my life at that time. Even though I was going through some tough times in my personal life, he kept me going with his encouragement and care. I did very well in that "class". Having Prof.Meyer at my supervisor was a big reason for that and ,I believe, the success of my teaching career. Years ago I was on campus at CSP and, on impulse, stopped at his office. I was able to tell him how much I appreciated his guidance during my student teaching. I also told him that in the schools I had taught in, the principals often commented on the good training CSP teachers were given. (Mrs.Meyer, your children's literature class was excellent!) We had a nice visit.

God be with you.

Karen Grein

Karen Christoffer Grein - August 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Loma & family,

I'm so sorry about your loss; yet I'm so happy that Gary has achieved his crown of glory! You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Blessings,

Dave Langemo

David Langemo - August 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CN

“ To Loma and the Meyer family. I am deeply saddened to hear of Gary's passing. He was an extremely kind and generous man and a role-model for me and many others. When I was beginning my teaching at CSP, Gary was always ready with support and advice. When we traveled out-state together, we shared our stories and experiences. Early in our acquaintance, I wore an earring. On one of our trips Gary quizzed me all about it with a child-like innocence. Although I am far away, my sympathy, care and prayers are with you all.

Chuck Nuckles - August 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ Dear Loma and family,
Please accept my sympathy and best wishes to you at this time. Gary was a very encouraging friend and mentor. I'll always appreciate how often he would share supportive comments and provide me with many helpful insights. Thanks to Gary's encouragement, I have been an adjunct instructor at Concordia University, St. Paul since 2002. He is on my personal list of heroes and role models. God bless.

Nate Bostrom - August 13, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Dear Loma, I just read the email through CSP about Gary's passing. I'm so sorry I missed the visitation. May I please convey my sincere condolences. You and Gary were two of the first people we met when we moved to Minnesota and I can't tell you how welcomed you both made us feel. He also taught the class I needed for my MN teacher's license and through that class I came to know him as an amazingly kind and wise man. Even though we can all rejoice in his entry into Heaven, we who are still on this Earth will miss him. My family's best regards and prayers to you, Loma.
In Christ our Lord and Savior,
Linda Guidera

Linda Guidera - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Dr. Loma, may the thoughts and prayers of the many hundreds of us that you inspired during your years at Concordia be a comfort to you at this difficult time.
Judi Kaper, Class of 1976

Judi Kaper - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ You are in my prayers.

Brenda Zeuner (nee Consoer) - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RM

“*Dr. and Mrs. Meyer were one of kind. So caring, so gentle, and they both had their special brand of humor and smiles. Always enjoyed their classes and more than that, always loved to chat with them. They were so very genuine, real, down to earth Christians. Loma may God keep you in his special care. Gary was such a blessing as well as you too to Christian education and a beacon at Concordia. He will be missed!*

Ralph Mueller - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EF

“*Loma and family: My prayers are with you. Dr. Meyer touched so many lives. I remember his soft-spoken, quiet, and understanding ways. Concordia has been greatly blessed by him. Loma, you too have blessed the college. May God always hold you in the palm of His hands.*

Eileen (Cordes) Fringer - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MH

“*What wonderful memories I have of being a guest in your home, Mrs. Meyer. You and Gary were such great hosts and you even shared a recipe that appeared in my mom's cookbook. My college memories are the best thanks to people like you. We give thanks to God for Gary's life and his new life in Christ. Peace to you and yours!*

Margaret Rickers Hinchey - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *Loma & family...We extend our heartfelt condolences and praise God for the blessings that Gary was to you, to the family and to the church. We remember both of you from our college days and for Gary being a member of our famous football team. Loma, we pledge our continued support through our prayers. To God be the glory.*
Marty & Dottie

Marty & Dottie Cloeter - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *You are in my thoughts & prayers.*

Gary always seemed to have a genuinely caring nature and showed a lot of respect towards others. He was very highly thought of and will very much be missed.

Karen Barnes

Karen S. Barnes - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *Deepest Sympathy with the loss of Prof. Meyer. He was my student teaching advisor in 1990-91 at CSP. He always had a good smile for his students and kind man.*

*God Bless,
Jody Blekestad Bhate*

Jody Blekestad Bhate - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *Loma and family,*

We share in your sorrow at this time. Gary was such a caring individual and his serving and loving heart for others will always be remembered and treasured.

No more sorrow, no more pain...we do celebrate the peace and joy that Gary is experiencing today! He is singing with the angels and glorifying our Father in heaven! Praise be to God.

Debbie Tewes - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ *Our condolences to Loma and the family. This is the ultimate victory for Gary.*

Edward & Margaret Weerts - August 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Dear Loma and family. Praise the Lord for God's grace, salvation and eternal life given to us freely in Jesus Christ. I know and you know with confidence that "Prof." Meyer is with Jesus because of the gift of faith He recieved from His Lord. Heaven is our home. We will all catch up with him someday for an eternal reunion and banquet that will have all the perfect trimmings. Peace be with you!*

Curtis Deterding - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GI

“ *Gary was an amazing man and teacher. Without him, my cohort (CSAL 228) would not still be together after 10 years. He will be deeply missed by many.*

Gigi - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EK

“ Dear Mrs. Meyers, my wife, Pat, and I send to you our condolences. Gary was special in our life as I went back at a later age to finish my schooling to be a Lutheran teacher. I will always remember his encouraging words and his presence at my CSP graduation party at my home.

May God continue to bless you and your family, knowing that Gary is in heaven with all the angels praising our Lord and Savior.

Ed Kuerschner

Ed Kuerschner - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CV

“ *May God comfort you at this time with his peace.*

Cynthia Richter Voss - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *My deepest sympathy goes to the family members of Gerhardt Meyer. What a wonderful professor he was. He will always hold a special place in my heart for the lovingkindness he expressed to me and my fellow classmates.*

Lisa Baldrige - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Loma:

I am both saddened and joyful to learn of Gary's passing from this life to his new life in heaven. I know you understand what I am saying, since it is our faith in Christ makes it possible for us to feel both sorrow and joy in the face of death. May the blessings of faith, family and friends sustain you in your loss. Susie and I send our love and pray that the days ahead are have much peace for you.

Tom

Tom and Susie Ries - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Loma, I want you to know how saddened I am to learn of Gary's passing. I remember him as a kind, gentle, and caring person who was always interested in you. He was truly a special guy and I will always remember him.

My sympathies to you and your family.

Jerry Person, CSAL alumni

Jerry Person - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ I can only imagine how sad your family is that this dear man is gone -- but I rejoice with you that he has now walked, healthy and strong, into Jesus' arms and eternal life. I can't wait to see him there!

Dr Meyer was one of my favorite people (along with his dear wife) at Concordia when I was there some 35 years ago and I have never forgotten them. Thanks to both of you for the wonderful education you gave me and for the kindness you always exuded. We were privileged to have sat at your feet.

This message is intended as a virtual hug, since I can't be there in person.

We sang the same song at my mom's victory service...she used to sing it at night as she tucked us in bed...May the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord lift His countenance upon you. And give you peace.

Cindy Cardelli Whetsel - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ Loma and Family,

God's Grace and Peace be with you as you mourn the loss of Gary. Along with that Peace, may Hope and Joy be yours as Gary rests in the arms of Christ in Heaven. No more pain, suffering and discomfort; only rejoicing around the Throne with Saints previously departed.

Blessings in Christ, Gary

Gary C. Reinke - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ I remember how frightened I was when I left home for a new Lutheran religion, and college. I was comforted by the classes your wife and you had made me feel/as I have taught reading and graded many tests. Thankyou for the kindness in the Lord. It is contagious throughout generationos to come.

jan Benjamin - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dr. Meyer: You and your families are in our prayers. May God give you comfort in your sorrow with the certain hope of eternal life. Your husband and you were a great inspiration to us and many other CSP students. Blessings!

Julius & Donelle (Beckler) Clausen - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ So sorry for your loss, but I know there was a wonderful celebration in heaven as one of their faithful servants made his entrance. His fruitful service in the kingdom will not be fully measured in this lifetime, but I for one was blessed to be under his tutelage.

Pamela Krumwiede Heubner - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

D(

“ Loma, there's always a warm and loving gratitude when I think of you and Dr. Meyer.
Favorites are never forgotten.
Gary's smile will be missed.
God Bless.
Dori (Bremer) Robbins

Dori Robbins (Dave) - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Dr. Meyer,
So sorry to hear about your husband. I pray your memories and thoughts are comfort to you and your family. What a blessing to be a Christian and to know that heaven is now reality! God be with you all!

Lois W. '72

Lois Weikum - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Dr. Gary Meyer was such a wonderful teacher. He taught me to view the world differently, to look at people differently. He was such a blessing to me when I returned to school to get my degree. He will truly be missed. I am thankful to have had an opportunity to have him for a professor.
My sympathies to his family in these difficult times.

Gods Blessing,
Becky Folwick

Becky Folwick - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Loma and Family:
You are in my prayers, and have my sympathy.
Sharon Scott
I attended Concordia University 1981-1983.

Sharon Scott - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ *My sincere sympathy to the family of Gary Meyer. Gary was my favorite CSAL faculty member to work with while I was teaching in the CSAL program--always thorough, kind, professional, and committed to being the best instructor he could to everyone in the CSAL classes he taught. He was truly someone who touched a lot of lives!*

Jan Eggersgluess - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *Dear Loma,
God be with you during this difficult time. We received the note from the CSP alumni association about Gary's death. My husband Dan and I were students back in the late 80's and early 90's and I was an education major. Dan has been an ordained LCMS pastor for 13 years now and is currently serving as a Navy chaplain. We were both touched by God through you and your dear husband in special ways during our time at CSP. You are in our prayers.*

*God bless you,
Janelle*

Janelle Berteau - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *Dr Loma Miriam and COACH LARRY I didn't make the connection with you coach until I read the obituary... From Faribault and Morristown our thoughts are with you. You were well respected as the "kindest Couple" I knew while at CSP...Coach Larry and Miriam may you carry on that torch !! God Bless you ALL Russ Schwichtenberg family*

Russell J Schwichtenberg - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Dear Meyer family,
Ruth and I share out deepest sympathy with you over the loss of one of our great teachers. What a tremendous impact he had on our early lives as college students studying to become commissioned ministers in the church. At a time when we questioned many things including our synodical leaders, we knew we could always believe, trust, and depend on Dr. Meyer to provide sound, practical, spiritual guidance to lead us. Thanks be to God for Gary Meyer! What a joy it is to know with confidence he rests with His Lord! May the Lord bless and sustain you in your time of grief. God richest blessings!

John E. Schultz - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ My sympathy goes to Gary's family and friends. Graduate of Concordia.

Kent Brun - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ Loma and family,

Vonie and I send our Christian comfort to you at this time knowing the great reunion is coming.
Blessings

Don and Vonie Taylor - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ It is an exciting time in heaven: another warrior has returned home; however, it is a time of sadness here on Earth. Dear Dr. Meyer, please know that my heart goes out to you and yours. It is with great fondness and respect that I remember both of you. Please accept my sympathy.

Greg Anderson - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Loma,
Prayer coming your way from AK!!!
Sixty years of marriage is amazing!!!
Sending our deepest sympathy at this rough time in your life!!!
Both of you were such unique professors at Concordia and we have
great memories of our life there. God's blessings, John and Penny

John and Penny Warnke - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ God is with us all and during this time may your family and friends
near by be God's comfort and strength for you

Ronda Renee Koch - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TO

“ Loma and Family,

We are grieved to hear of the passing of Gary. However, we rejoice
in the fact that Gary had a tremendous faith in our Lord and Savior
and that he is now with Him. You all are in our prayers.

Thomas and Jennifer O'Neill - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BZ

“ Oh how the memories of the personal caring & support to me as a
future teacher, and the faithfulness and support of the church at
large, that both of the Professor Meyers shared and lived, is what
fills my mind as I think of the passing of Dr. Meyer. May God's
peace be with you the family as you grieve. Betty (Dicke) Ziegler

betty ziegler - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ As an alumnus of Concordia St. Paul, I remember Dr. and Loma Meyer very well. I remember him as a kind, Christian man with much love for the Concordia family. My heartfelt sympathy to Loma and the family. God's Blessings, Joan Kiecker Gilmore, Class of 1977

Joan Kiecker Gilmore - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Mike and I send our condolences on your loss and we share that promise of our risen Lord when one day we will be reunited in heaven. We can only thank our heavenly father for people like yourselves who were dedicated to the education of us as students preparing to teach children. Dr. Meyer was instrumental in getting me assigned to Trinity Lutheran School here in the Dells at which I am still a full time teacher and music director. Thanks be to God for your part in my life.

Enith(degler)Bailey

enith (degler) bailey - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Dear Loma and family,
We give thanks to our heavenly Father for bringing our dear friend, Gary, to faith in Christ and keeping him in faith unto his heavenly rest. May Christ's Spirit comfort you in the hope of seeing him in the resurrection unto eternal life.
It has been a great privilege to know you and your family since 1956 when you moved to Ponca City, OK where Gary was principal of First Lutheran School. I was just finishing my vicarage and enjoyed your kind and gracious hospitality. It meant much to one many miles from home. Miriam and Martin were children and probably do not remember me.
The Lord blessed your loved one with many years of service to His Church. What a wonderful gift he was.
The Lord bless, comfort, and be with you.
In Christ's Love,
Jim Meichsner

Jim Meichsner - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Mrs. Meyer, Please know that you are in my prayers. What a blessing you and your husband have been to the Concordia family. My God continue to bless and keep you.

Alice (Sinclair) Brase - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ My sympathies to your family. I'm thankful for the years of service to our faithful Lord. So many lives have been changed because of Gary and Loma.
Doug Larson (CSP '76)

Doug Larson - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CK

“ Dear Loma and Family

I was a student of both Gary and you back in 79-81. It was truly a pleasure.

So often we talked about the the joy of sharing the hope of the Gospel with our school children. Now it is my priviledge to share that same hope with you.

The Lord has chosen to call Gary home. I share your sorrow, but I also rejoice with you that the Lord has been faithful to His promise.

May He grant you peace and comfort during the coming days.

Your friend in Christ,

Craig Kellerman

Craig Kellerman - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ *Loma ...Peace and hope in the Lord! We thank the Lord for Gary and you and for your support and friendship through the years. And we rejoice with you in the Promise of the Resurrection! Peace and hope in Christ!*

Rich and Hazel Bimler - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ *I give thanks and praise to God for the Christian nurturing ministry of Dr. Meyer!*

Rev. Dr. David F. Kruger - August 11, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ Mrs. Meyer,

My deepest sympathy to you and your family. I will always remember Dr. Meyer as a kind and gracious man and a good teacher. One of my fond memories of you both was when you opened your home to some students from Concordia and served us a supper. It was so enjoyable being in your home. I was one of the graduates that was having a mini reunion at Concordia in June, and we attended church at Emmaus. We took the opportunity to talk to you for a few minutes after you were finished playing the organ. You were as gracious and friendly as ever. Again my sincerest sympathy to you.

*In Christ,
Kathy (Bremer) Eyerly
you*

Kathleen Bremer Eyerly - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *Dear Family of Prof. Meyer,
Well done, good and very faithful servant! Gary was a blessing to me as an intern teacher in 1977. We rejoice that he has reached his heavenly reward. Our prayers are with your family.
Bob and Joleen Kubiszewski*

Joleen Kubiszewski - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

M'

“ Dr. Gary Meyer was one of my very favorite professors while I attended Concordia University. He made a great impact on my life as a student, and my life as a teacher. I appreciated his knowledge, his teaching skills, his smile, and most of all, his passion for children and Lutheran Education. I know he will be missed by many!

*With God's blessings and prayers for your comfort,
MaryGwen (DeWitte '85) Marquardt*

MaryGwen (DeWitte) Marquardt '85 - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ We remember Gary Meyer as a witness to the love of Christ through his teaching and supervising student teaching at Concordia College. We both had his encouragement to teach and words of wisdom that continue to ring in our ears as we continue to teach in the church. Mary especially remembers Gary escorting her as homecoming queen at the football game in 1970! We thank God for the opportunity to know and love Gary Meyer.

Mary and Darrell Golnitz - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ I graduated in 1974 and have many warm memories of both Gerhardt and Loma. I am so thankful for the wonderful college experience I had due to professors like they were. God's blessings,
Katherine

Katherine (Luker) Bart - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HR

“ Dr. Meyer was an inspiration to so many Concordia students. His work planted seeds of faith and wisdom with alumni who serve our church and communities. Their accomplishments are a part of his legacy. Thank you Dr. Meyer!

Heather Riddle - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the Meyer family during this time of sorrow. May God grant you comfort in the knowledge that Prof. Meyer is in heaven with his Lord and Savior.
Janet Pesch

Janet Pesch - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

L'

“ Weeping may last a night but JOY comes in the morning. I just wrote my daughter a note to wish her a wonderful Baptism Birthday on August 10th, 1975. When her father, Gaylen poured the Holy Spirit's Living Water over Eliza's head and proclaimed the Lord's promises for her it was a time of great JOY! So it is now for my dear Concordia teaching Professor who rests in the arms of His Savior and drinks from the River of Life forever!

Linda (Drewitz) Burow '68 - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BO

“ Dea and I have such warm memories of Dr. Meyer as a friend, mentor, and wise and gentle teacher. He has touched so many lives in such powerful ways. We give thanks to God for sharing him with us, and pray for comfort and strength for Loma and her family. Jesus said "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me will live, even though he die; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die." Well done, good and faithful servant.

Bill and Dea Otte - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Loma, Larry, Miriam, Our sympathies go to you and your family. May all the wonderful memories you have shared, and the knowledge that he is with his Lord, carry you through the tough days ahead. We will not be able to attend the visitation or funeral, but our thoughts and prayers are with each of you.
Mark and Doris (Cook) Mancell CSP '73

doris mancell - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Dr. Meyer was one of the professors on staff during my time at CSP ('86-90). He and his wife both made valuable impressions on me concerning the servants' heart that shows itself in professional and personal ministry. I express my sympathies to Loma and the rest of the family, even as we may now all rejoice that another soul has entered into eternal joy in the Savior's arms.

Jim Scriven - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Gerhardt Victor Meyer

Linda Drewitz Burow - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you - heaven has welcomed an incredible man...

Amy Peterson - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ *Extending my sincere sympathy in this time of loss and praying that our risen Lord will comfort and lift up by the power of His glorious resurrection and with the hope that He won for us.*

*Arleigh Lutz, President Emeritus
North Wisconsin District*

Arleigh Lutz - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ *Rev 2:10 "Be faithful even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life." Sorry for your loss; rejoicing in Gary's coronation. God bless.*

Pastor Richard Krogen - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ *He was an inspiration to all of us who he helped thru the CSAL program. We are all better for having known Gary.*

Maybeth Christensen - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ *Fond memories of my studies with Gary at Concordia. He was such a wonderful teacher...a gifted educator who will be missed.*

Peace to his family and countless friends.

Greg Keel - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JO

“ To the family of Gerhardt Meyer, especially to his wife, Loma:

We extend our sincere sympathies to you and to your family, as your husband of so many years has gone to be with the Lord. You will surely miss him so very much.

Both my husband, Dennis, and I, Janet, fondly remember you both from our years at Concordia, St. Paul. (Janet graduated in May 1975; Dennis graduated in February 1976).

We especially enjoyed seeing both of you at our son's wedding (Tom O'Neill), as you were the organist for his wedding (October 30, 2004) and we had a chance to visit a bit the next day, too, over lunch, when they opened gifts at the church. It was a special honor to see you again after so many years.

As Christians, we have the sure promise that we will all have a heavenly reunion someday in heaven. What a joyous day that will be! Just think about how many former students from Concordia will be coming up to your husband and to you, too, in heaven (someday) and saying, "You made a difference in my life!"

Our thoughts and prayers will be with you in this difficult time.

*With love in Christ,
Janet and Dennis O'Neill*

Janet and Dennis O'Neill - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AS

“ I am so sorry to hear of Gary's passing. He was an amazing man and touched so many lives in such a positive way (mine included). It was Gary who encouraged me to be a life-long learner. I think of him every time I sign up for a new class or program or read a good book. I feel very fortunate to have been his student -- it's not often you have the chance to be taught by someone whose lessons last a lifetime.

God Bless,
Amy

Amy Sakayan - August 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM