



Gary Oscar Pitman

February 23, 1947 - February 22, 2017

Gary Oscar Pitman, 69, of Pendleton, passed away on Wednesday, February 22, surrounded by his loving family.

Gary was born on February 23, 1947, in Liberty, Kentucky, to Oscar and Nannie Pitman, who preceded him in death. He attended Salem High School, graduating in 1965. At Purdue University, he attained a B.S. in Electrical Engineering. Following college, he served in the US Army Reserves and began his career at General Motors, where he stayed until retirement.

Gary married Peggy Diane Page; she preceded him in death. Gary remained close to the Page family in all the years after.

In his last years, Gary loved his family, friends, and spending time in his garden. His kindness, wit, and generosity will be fondly remembered by all who knew him.

Gary leaves behind to cherish his memory: wife, Alicia Pitman; children, Alexander Pitman and Sarah Pitman (Wunji); sisters, Lorene Roberts, Peggy Martin, and Bonnie Sage; and a granddaughter, Ellen Lau.

Graveside service will be Saturday, March 4, at 11:00 AM, at Anderson Memorial Park Cemetery, Block K, 6805 Doctor MLK Jr Blvd, Anderson, IN 46013.

Refreshments will be served immediately after at Pendleton Community Church of God, 636 E Water St, Pendleton, IN 46064, concluding with a memorial church service at 1:00 PM. Arrangements are through Loose Funeral Home, Anderson. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Gleaners Food Bank.

Cemetery

Memorial Park Cemetery
6805 Dr. Martin Luther King
Blvd.
Anderson, IN, 46013

Events

MAR 4 Graveside Service 11:00AM
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MAR 4 Memorial Service 01:00PM
Pendleton Community Church of God
IN, US

Comments



“ Gary was one of the friendliest and most knowledgeable engineers with whom I had the privilege of working. When we, as troubleshooters, were stumped, he worked with us as a cohort to get to the problem, not as a critic. My condolences to his family. Definitely taken from them far too early. Til we meet again, rest in peace, my friend and thank you.

Jim Cox - April 03 at 11:48 AM



“ As a Supervisor in Plant 11, I could always count on Gary. My condolences to all appropriate parties. Regards, Bob Chaney

Bob Chaney - March 03, 2017 at 04:51 PM



“ I don't think anyone will dispute the fact that Gary was at the top of the engineering staff at GM/ Delphi. I can't count the times I was on a job and out of ideas, when Gary showed up with a smile and a solution. In spite of my territorial nature Gary taught me more than anyone I can think of. Oh yes and I always wondered who was able to keep those khaki dockers clean, because Gary was forever down on one knee on the floor in front of a panel, with a print or ladder in his hand. Well the world will be a little dimmer now, but I think heaven will be a lot brighter! Thank you Gary for the lessons and the memories! C

Charlie Rich - March 03, 2017 at 10:44 AM



“ from your Aunt Elizabeth and her family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Gary Oscar Pitman.



from your Aunt Elizabeth and her family - March 02, 2017 at 11:49 PM



“ Gary was the youngest of his family and our youngest brother was only about six weeks older, thus we had babies in our families at the same time.....we spent a lot of time together when we were children and were a very close family. Gary and I are first cousins. His mother and my mother were sisters, my mother (Elizabeth) married her sister' (Nannie)'s husband's first cousin. Thus making their children first and third cousins. That makes us even closer as relatives. They had a big family as did we. We all felt like brothers and sisters.

I loved my Aunt Nannie and Uncle Oscar very much. They lived on a big farm and we loved to visit. We visited a lot and we all have a lot of good memories as children and even as grown ups, we visited.

At our family reunions (The Elkins), Gary always brought tomatoes and cucumbers we depended on them. Then he brought extras for us to take home. It was precious. Gary we will miss you so much. You were so much a part of the Elkins' reunion. Everyone always knew you would be there. They (he and Diana) even came to the reunion while they were still on their honeymoon..... Dedication, plus introduction to new family member. We miss her too. Gary you are forever in our midst, your smiling face and your loving presence will be so sadly missed.

Sue Pitman Sanford - March 02, 2017 at 10:34 PM



“ Gary was the best neighbor ever. I loved watching him work in his garden and he would bring be some of his tomatoes, green peppers, onions and cucumbers for us to enjoy. He would always take the time to talk to us and we would even have him come over for our cook outs. It is going to be so sad not to see or talk to him. Gary was an amazing man. We are going to miss the smiling face and the conversations we would have. God truly has this amazing man in his heaven. Prayers to you Alicia, Sarah and Alexander

Dennis & Reva McCammon

Reva McCammon - March 02, 2017 at 04:43 PM



“ Gary was a true "gentle" man and a joy to be around. He was a great engineer that loved to brainstorm how to make things better on the job. If you had an idea he would always look for ways to make it work rather than to tear it down. I used him as an example in every Team Building class I taught on how to work together...

David Laird - March 02, 2017 at 03:20 PM