



## Gary Gene Hayes

December 13, 1934 - February 1, 2025

Gary Gene Hayes, of Anderson, stepped gently into Heaven after a long and courageous battle with cancer on February 1, 2025. Gary was born December 13, 1934, in Elwood, IN, to Gerald Francis Hayes and Evelyn Mae Collier Hayes.

He attended Elwood Community Schools and Ball State University.

Gary was employed as a toolmaker at General Motors, and retired in 1996 after 42 years of employment.

He loved to travel the United States, attend church, and spend time with his family. Gary was one of the founding members of the Madison County Tea Party, member of the NRA, and the UAW.

He is survived by his wife, Betty; sons, Terry Hayes and Steve Hayes (Jeri); daughter, Kim (Charles) Habekost; bonus daughter and sons, Noxie (Curt) Byrd, Mike (Teresa) Poe, John (Leeann) Poe, and Kevin (Darlene Davis) Poe; sister, Sue Shetterly; and long friend of 83 years, Ronald Cole. Gary is also survived by 16 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren, as well as several nieces and nephews.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents; son, Russell Hayes; bonus

daughters, Cecelia Fay Frye and Jayne McCord; brothers, Danny Hayes, David Hayes, and Jeffery Hayes; sisters, Sandra Sprankle and Theresa Cook.

The family would like to thank the staff, his special nurse, Ariel, and Chaplain Ken of Gentiva for their care, love, and support during this last phase of Gary's journey.

Visitation will be held on Friday, February 7, 2025, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, at Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory.

Services will follow visitation at 1:00 pm at the funeral home with Rev. Gary Marcum officiating.

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# Cemetery Details

## Anderson Memorial Park

6805 Doctor M.L.K. Jr. Blvd.  
Anderson, IN 46013

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 7. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory  
200 W 53rd St  
Anderson, IN 46013  
(765) 649-5255  
info@loosecares.com

## Service

FEB 7. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Loose Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary Gene Hayes*



Loose Funeral Home - February 05, 2025 at 05:10 PM

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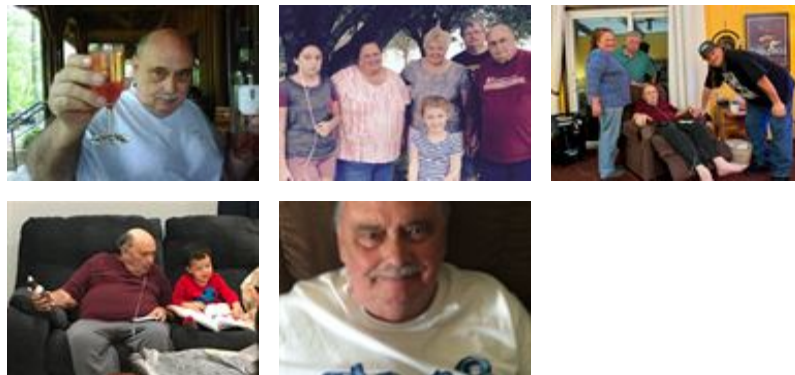
“ *Jason Cerda-Reyes and Kara Stoneburner purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Gary Gene Hayes.*



Jason Cerda-Reyes and Kara Stoneburner - February 06, 2025 at 12:37 PM



“ *28 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Loose Funeral Home - February 05, 2025 at 04:48 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gary Gene Hayes.



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February 05, 2025 at 09:52 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gary Gene Hayes.

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“ Danny and and Spa6 purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Gary Gene Hayes.



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**Danny and and Spa6** - February 04, 2025 at 07:16 PM