



Gary L. Miller

April 24, 1943 - May 20, 2010

Gary L Miller, 67 of Iowa City, IA / Fort Myers, FL courageously ended his battle with lung cancer on Thursday, May 20, 2010 at Hope Hospice House in Fort Myers. Arrangements are pending for the celebration of his life to be held in Iowa City for mid- June and a fall celebration in Fort Myers Gary was born in Washington, IA on April 24, 1943. He graduated from Washington High School in 1961, and Iowa Wesleyan College in 1965. Gary was an excellent student athlete in high school, receiving all conference honors in basketball and always on the honor roll. Gary was also active in the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity. He taught and coached basketball at Sabula and West Branch, Iowa. He also worked for Cargill for a short time. Gary attended grad school at the University of Iowa where he was a grad assistant for the Iowa Hawkeyes Men's Basketball team. Miller was an established Iowa City businessman involved with land development and owner of Modern Wall Drywall and Gary Miller Insulation. He is survived by his wife, Susan Cooper-Miller of Iowa City, and Fort Myers, FL where the couple resided during the winter months. He is also survived by a daughter, Pamela DeKeyser and grandchildren, Ryan and Karyssa; as well as a son, Adam Miller all of Iowa City. Gary enjoyed life and the people he met along the way. His people skills were instrumental in his development into a successful business man. He worked hard for everything he got, and in later life, helped people that were not as fortunate as he. Gary will be remembered for his extreme generosity, sense of humor, love of Hawkeye sports, and his eternal quest and consumption of morel mushrooms.

His passing leaves a great void in the lives of his family and all the loving friends he made along his life journey. He was truly one of a kind. God Bless and Rest in Peace Mills! In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Hope Hospice, 9470 HealthPark Circle, Fort Myers, FL 33909 or the G.I.V.E Foundation by visiting www.giveforveterans.com.

Tribute Wall



“ I am so sorry for your loss. I just found out about Gary’s passing. He was a great person. He was my supervising teacher at West Branch High School in the spring of 1972 when I student taught social studies under his guidance.

janice Nahra Friedel, Professor at ISU - June 23, 2024 at 08:14 AM



“ Gary L. Miller

October 09, 2023 at 02:01 AM



“ Gary L. Miller

January 28, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ I miss you so much grandpa I love you forever and I hope to see you again some day

Ryan Christopher DeKeyser - July 23, 2014 at 09:57 PM



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“ Sue, my deepest sympathy, he truly was one of a kind. I will remember him as I always have big heart warm smile.

Johnita Quinlan - June 05, 2010 at 12:01 PM

MK

“ Sue, John just told me about Gary's passing. I am so sorry. I can't imagine what it must feel like to lose your best friend and partner. I've lost my folks both in 2005, but that just isn't the same. I will keep you and Gary in my thoughts and prayers. Take care of yourself.
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Marie Kasperek - May 27, 2010 at 04:59 PM

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Peggy - May 25, 2010 at 10:17 AM

MK

“ Susie- Our thoughts and prayers are with you during your difficult time. Take Care. Mandy, Missy and Kim (Julie's girls)

Mandy Karstens - May 24, 2010 at 10:48 AM

NH

“ I am so sorry about Gary's passing. He really was a good man. May you find comfort in the knowledge that he is no longer suffering and that he is with God now. Gary will be missed by the many friends he made throughout the years.

Nancy Hotz-Lenz - May 23, 2010 at 03:12 PM

DB

“ *As I said on Facebook. I thought we always had a chance to win when he coached.*

David Bub - May 22, 2010 at 04:49 PM

DH

“ *Very sad to hear of Gary's death, he always seemed like he would live forever. God Bless.*

Dan and Joy Hoffman - May 22, 2010 at 08:43 AM