



## Gary Holtz

August 19, 1943 - February 17, 2008

Gary Holtz -- Manteno Visitation for Gary Charles Holtz, 64, of Manteno, will be from 5 p.m. Thursday until the 7 p.m. funeral services at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, Manteno. Memorials may be made to the Manteno Junior Golf Program. He died Sunday (Feb. 17, 2008) at University of Chicago Hospital. Mr. Holtz was a deputy sheriff for the Oakland County, Mich., Sheriff's Department for 20 years, worked for Major Transportation Industry for 10 years, spent three years for the NTSB, served for Securitas for 10 years as risk manager, and worked at Manteno Golf Course Pro Shop. He was born Aug. 19, 1943, in Pontiac, Mich., the son of Joseph Charles and Margaret Elizabeth Beyer Holtz. He served two tours of duty in Vietnam as a sergeant with the U.S. Air Force and received the Purple Heart. He had two holes in one at Bon Vivant Country Club and Kankakee Country Club and caddied for Ben Hogan as a boy. Surviving are his wife, the former Teresa Calkin, whom he married July 11, 1986, in Clarkston, Mich.; four daughters and sons-in-law, Kristin and Patrick Bates of Noblesville, Ind., Kimberlee and Dawn Holtz of Royal Oak, Mich., Kasondra and Brian Hansen of Ortonville, Mich., Kellene and Marvin Mansour of Waterford, Mich.; one sister and brother-in-law, Gayle and David Papke of Rochester, Mich.; stepchildren, Dean Buchanan of Clarkston, Julie and Brian Tait of Goodrich, Mich.; and 10 grandchildren.

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“ I came upon Gary's obit when "surfing the web" for various family names. I am Gary's 2nd cousin. My grandma Theresa McKeegan from Omaha was the sister of Gary's Mom whom we called Aunt Margie. Gary was godfather to my daughter, however, Gary and I lost track of each other years ago. I would love to connect with his wife or one of his children. I pray you see this. Kathie Watson (nee: Mullin) kjo5711@yahoo.com

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“ Last summer Gary & I helped with the Manteno Junior golf summer program. Gary was always a professional in the eyes of the kids and his love for the kids showed. He will be missed and a real loss to all that knew him. ½Don##imported-begin##Don Edwards##imported-end##

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“ Dear Terry and Family, We are so sorry to hear about your loss. Hope the many good memories help you through your days ahead. <br><br>Sincerely, Brian and MaryAnne Byrnes##imported-begin##Brian and Mary Anne Byrnes##imported-end##

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“ I worked with Gary at Burns Security from the Kankakee and Joliet offices. He was a likable guy and he will be missed.##imported-begin##Lori Anderson##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Dave Calkin##imported-end##

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“ Our hearts are sad at your loss and ours. <br><br><br><br>Gary was a man of values and character. <br><br><br><br>We will miss him very much##imported-begin##Chris and Bub##imported-end##

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“ We are sad to hear of Gary's passing and our prayers are fro him and his family##imported-begin##Jim & Denise Lehtola##imported-end##

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“ Gary was my first training officer. He excelled at training new officers, making sure that they had all of the fundamentals and the necessary skills to function as a patrol officer. He later assisted me in becoming an accident investigator. Gary was a big influence in getting my police career headed in the right direction. He also encouraged me to continue my education.  
  
My thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends.  
  
Captain (ret) Donald McLellan, PhD  
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##imported-begin##Donald McLellan##imported-end##

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“ Gary was the Sheriff's Office first crash investigator. During my first few years on the road patrol, I worked with Gary. He taught me a great deal about investigating these crashes. After he left the Sheriff's Office I became a crash investigator. Gary continued to mentor me on the finer points of this particular type of investigations. His legend lives on through those of us who knew and appreciated his dedication to crash investigation.  
##imported-begin##Thomas Poulin##imported-end##

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“ We have know and loved Gary for more than 22 years. He was such a special guy--kind, big hearted, wanting always to please. We love him most for the life he gave to Teri---he adored her.  
  
One had only to watch his face as she spoke--a little smile on his lips--taking in every word. We stood up for them on their wedding day--and will will be there always for Teri now.  
  
We will miss Gary always--but will keep him alive in our thoughts and hearts.  
##imported-begin##John & Linneya McLain##imported-end##

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“ What I will remember most of this sweet, gentle and caring man was how happy he made my sister, Teri. ¶½He is the love of her life and the joy that he brought to her was evident whenever she spoke of him. ¶½She just lit up! I found Gary to be a very stoic man and yet when he spoke about his beloved Teri, he, too, would have this ear to ear smile that would light up his face. I can still see him laughing so hard that his face would turn red! ¶½They were like two young kids! ¶½Gary was also a fuss-budget.....always planning or doing something for someone and seeing to it that every last detail was covered. ¶½And he did so very quietly....one of my favorite memories was of when I bought Teri's Ford Taurus car from her. ¶½I was so excited, having driven a Chevet for the last 5 years or so. ¶½When I went to pick up the car at their home, I found my beautiful blue Taurus, washed, waxed and sparkling like new. ¶½As I got closer though, I realized he had tucked a dozen red roses underneath the windshield wipers for me. I cried and jumped for joy all at the same time. ¶½To me, that story describes this special man best. ¶½He was a quite hero, seemingly happiest when he was doing for others. ¶½  
  
We will miss you Gary.....I love you.##imported-begin##Abigail Rose##imported-end##

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“ In over 20 years of being best friends with Gary's wonderful daughter, Kristin, I was always blessed to have spent time with Gary in joyous times...at weddings, family gatherings for birthdays or 4th of July celebrations. I will always remember Gary (Mr. Holtz), as intelligent and handsome. When I think of Gary, I see his boyish grin and that slight twinkle of mischief in his eyes (something most of his girls have inherited as well!). In one of my last memories of Gary, he had talked me into walking on my hands (a long forgotten childhood antic of mine), of course, in front of many on-lookers (needless to say, his grin was in full force that day)! I will not say goodbye...I will say that when we meet again, whether I am 60 or 99, I will come through the clouds to greet you walking on my hands. Till then, keep grinning down on your girls for their love for you is immense. Tami##imported-begin##Tami Peel (Westling)##imported-end##

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“ Hi Aunt Teri,<br><br><br><br>This was an unfortunate loss to you and our family as a hole. You are not alone in you greiving. If you need anything my mother,father and I are always there. Keep Uncle Gary in our hearts and mind and he will never be forgot. I am praying for you.<br><br><br><br>Love <br><br><br><br>Ben##imported-begin##Benjamin Stahelin##imported-end##

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“ Dear Teri,<br><br><br><br>Just a note from the other "Gary" in your life to let you know that I took a few moments to say goodbye to Gary and that I'm thinking of you.<br><br><br><br>Gary##imported-begin##Gary L. Willyerd, D.O.##imported-end##

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“ Dad,  
  
  
  
I love you. I'm proud to be your daughter. I am thankful for the time we had together and for the great memories. I am hoping you are at peace with knowing I love you. I am honored to be your daughter. You given us so much and tried so hard over the years. Don't worry about us girls-- you have taught us to be strong and we are each other's best friends. All of us are sending you all of our love. We want you at peace and to send you on your way with dignity and respecting your wishes. I'm proud to be your #2 daughter and happy to have shared my birthday with your Father's Day. I am that which you taught me... I am your legacy. I love you.”  
##imported-begin##Kimberlee##imported-end##

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“ I attended several schools with Gary and always found him to be one of the good guys. Although we didn't hang around together we often talked at school and he was a great listener and gave me some good advice from time to time. condolences to his family. He will be missed##imported-begin##Richard Perez##imported-end##

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“ Teri and family: I will miss the easy way Gary walked through life, offering a sly grin and a sneaky sense of humor. He was generous in ways few people ever got to see: with a compliment, a word of support, a dollar on your birthday! And don't get me started on his magic basement and the golf products it would produce! I'm better for having known him, and regret not knowing him better. I promise to listen whenever you'd like to share a story about him.##imported-begin##steven calkin##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy to all of Gary's family.##imported-begin##Gary Gash##imported-end##

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“ Teresa & Family, <br><br> <br><br> We, former co-workers at Job Corp. with Gary, are very sorry to hear of your loss. <br><br> <br><br><br><br> Security & Transportation Dept.##imported-begin##Trans. / Security Joliet Job Corp##imported-end##

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“ I did not know this man as well as my other siblings being away from home for so many years but what I do know is that he was a very kind, sweet and gentle man, with a nice sense of humor. I also know that there was a great love between he and Teri, one that we can all be very envious of. We love you Gary.##imported-begin##Peggy Sue Calkin##imported-end##

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“ Gary was very nice man. i;½Thoughtful, loving and always a joy to be around. i;½<br><br>He will be missed by all who loved him.##imported-begin##Kathy & Steven Calkin##imported-end##

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