



## Gary L. Armstrong

May 5, 1943 - August 2, 2024

Gary Lesteen Armstrong, 81, of Muskogee, Oklahoma passed from his earthly life to his Heavenly home on Friday, August 2, 2024. He was born May 5, 1943 in Marlow, Oklahoma to Ivan Lesteen and Jane Ellen (Rollins) Armstrong. He attended public school and graduated from El Reno High School with the class of 1961.

Gary proudly served his country as a member of the United States Army during the Vietnam era. He received a good conduct medal and a letter of commendation for exemplary performance of duty. He received an honorable discharge in 1965.

He furthered his education at Southwestern College in Weatherford, Oklahoma obtaining his bachelor's degree in 1968.

Gary married the love of his life, Mary Beth Patterson on January 24, 1970 in Manitou, Oklahoma. They shared more than 54 years of life, marriage, and memories together.

He worked as a medical technologist at the VA hospital and Muskogee Regional Hospital.

Gary and Mary were owners of Club Lunch in downtown Muskogee for over 36 years. They made many great friendships and acquaintances over the

years along with wonderful memories.

Gary was a longtime member of Muskogee First Baptist Church where he faithfully attended and served as a deacon. He was a member of the Republican Club and Antique Club. He loved collecting antiques, especially telephones.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ivan and Jane Armstrong; brother, Martin Armstrong; in-laws, Vivian and Beatty Patterson; and brother-in-law, Ray Patterson.

Left to cherish his memory are his beloved wife, Mary of the home; son, Greg Armstrong and wife Erica of Muskogee; son, Ron Armstrong of Bixby; daughter, Cindy Littrell and husband Logan of Tulsa; brother, Rodney Armstrong and wife Jane of Aurora, Colorado; 9 grandchildren, Macey, Zack (wife Kayla), Abby, Maddie, Cade (wife Gracie), Keaton, Mia, Harry, and Lucy; great-grandchild, River; along with many special nieces, nephews and family friends.

Gary's life will be celebrated at 12:30pm, Tuesday, August 6, 2024 at Muskogee First Baptist Church sanctuary with Rev. Kevin Chartney officiating. Interment will follow at 2:30PM at Fort Gibson National Cemetery with military honors being presented.

Pallbearers will be Greg Armstrong, Jon Burns, Ron Armstrong, Cade Armstrong, Logan Littrell, and Harry Littrell.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Rd  
Fort Gibson, OK 74434  
(918) 478-2334

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 5. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Service

AUG 6. 12:30 PM (CT)

Muskogee First Baptist Church - Sanctuary  
111 S. 7th  
Muskogee, OK 74401

# Tribute Wall

GL

“ Gary had the best smile ever! Praying for your sweet family.

Gayla Lindsay - August 06, 2024 at 03:08 PM

VB

“ Vicky Spradling & Christy Biggs purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Gary L. Armstrong.



Vicky Spradling & Christy Biggs - August 06, 2024 at 10:24 AM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary L. Armstrong.



August 05, 2024 at 08:20 PM

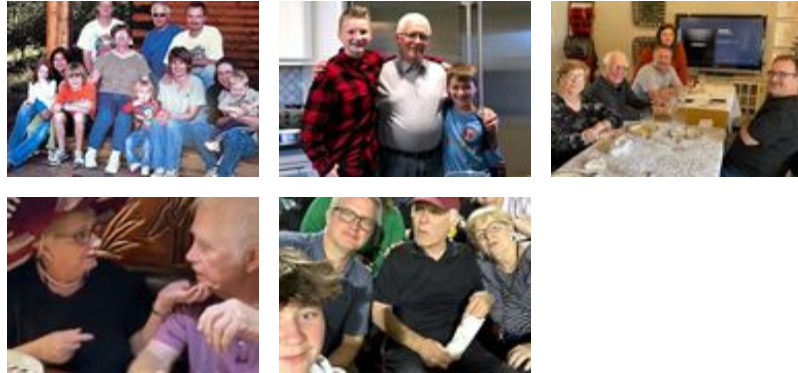
ML

“ Margaret, Lynne & Laura planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary L. Armstrong.

Margaret, Lynne & Laura - August 05, 2024 at 08:20 PM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - August 05, 2024 at 01:42 PM



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Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - August 05, 2024 at 12:29 PM



“ Your Family at HUB purchased the *Gracious Lavender Basket* for the family of Gary L. Armstrong.



Your Family at HUB - August 05, 2024 at 12:28 PM

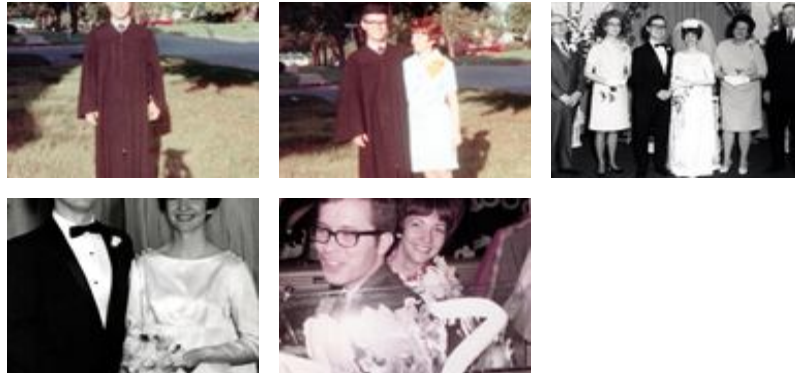


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Your Family at HUB - August 05, 2024 at 12:28 PM



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**Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory** - August 05, 2024 at 11:26 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Gary L. Armstrong.



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August 05, 2024 at 10:52 AM



“ Gary and Mary gave me a job at the Lunch Box in 1988 after a divorce which allowed me to work 2 part time jobs, until I started working full time for Walmart I will always be grateful to both of them. My condolences to the family. *Loretta Cunningham*

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**Loretta Cunningham** - August 05, 2024 at 08:54 AM

GB

“ *Glenn Briley lit a candle in memory of Gary Armstrong*



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**Glenn Briley** - August 04, 2024 at 06:23 PM

JB

“ *Jeanie beavers lit a candle in memory of Gary Armstrong*



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**Jeanie beavers** - August 04, 2024 at 03:27 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Gary L. Armstrong.*



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August 04, 2024 at 01:29 PM

PK

“ *Patty McKinne Kolb planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary L. Armstrong.*

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**Patty McKinne Kolb** - August 04, 2024 at 01:29 PM

CC

“ Cook’s Consulting purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Gary L. Armstrong.



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**Cook’s Consulting** - August 04, 2024 at 11:54 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Gary L. Armstrong.



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August 03, 2024 at 11:37 AM

JC

“ Justin & Kathleen Cook planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary L. Armstrong.

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**Justin & Kathleen Cook** - August 03, 2024 at 11:37 AM