



Gary W. Skoglund

March 26, 1946 - December 29, 2007

Skoglund, Gary W, age 61 of Canton, December 29, 2007. Beloved husband of the late Renee. Loving father of Michael (Kimberley), Sarah (Will) Klein, and Christian. Proud grandpa of Luke and Jake. Dear son of Jay and Lorraine. Dear brother of Denny (Linda) and Craig. Retired in 2001 after 33 years with the United States government. Funeral service Friday 11 AM at Vermeulen Funeral Home, 46401 West Ann Arbor Road (between Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth. Visitation Thursday 2-4 and 6-9 PM. Memorial contributions may be made to Arbor Hospice 2366 Oak Valley Drive, Ann Arbor MI 48103. To share memories, please click on the Online Condolences link on this page.

Tribute Wall



“ Gary W. Skoglund

December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *I just read Gary's obituary last night 1/4 and would otherwise have come to the funeral home had I been aware sooner. I share in your deep sadness as the Cartiers were almost like family to me. In meeting and hearing about the Skoglunds over many years, I realized what a wonderful family you all are. You have all been so kind to me. Keep that as a tribute to your wonderful parents. Honor them as they honored and loved you. I so admired Gary for helping his mother-in-law after Renee's death. He was so patient with her and listened, I'm sure, to the same stories several times. I'll always cherish you as the lovely family whose picture I dusted every other week. With love from an aching heart, Audeen*

Audeen Wojtowicz - December 12, 2014 at 10:28 AM

NK

“ *What to say about almost thirty years of memories? From births and deaths, school and proms and graduations and weddings, to family and friends and parties and work. The "high energy" (as Renee used to say with a smile) Skoglund clan next to the rather eccentric late-night Keim crew. We have loved living next door to all of you! Where Renee's outgoing personality introduced us to all of you, it was comforting to know that Gary's quiet strength was there as well. We always admired the way Gary was right there with every new project - especially the gardening and the painting!*

Renee used to say that we could never move because it just wouldn't be the same. Now both Gary and Renee have moved FAR away (or maybe they are closer than we know) and we miss them a lot. But I know our sadness can never match yours. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you, especially Jay and Lorraine and Michael, Sarah and Chris and their families.

Love from Jim, Karin, Jonathan and Katie Keim

Neighbor Karin - December 12, 2014 at 10:28 AM



“ We were all so saddened to learn of Gary's passing. It is so difficult to lose parents at such a young age, and we don't understand how these things happen to such good people. Our hearts go out to his folks and siblings for the deep sorrow they are experiencing.

We will always remember Gary as he looked at his and Renee's wedding, handsome and quietly joy filled. We recall the amused manner in which he spoke of their children. We saw the hardworking provider that he was, and heard the shy but earnest way in which he would share his thoughts with us. The beautiful eulogy he gave at Renee's funeral and the funny story about her St. Francis statue will stay with us always. And we will never forget the tender way in which he looked after his mother in law, until her death.

Gary served God, his country, his family and neighbors with quiet strength, and we are certain that God has welcomed him home as a "good and faithful servant." Renee is taking Gary by the hand at that wonderful family reunion that Heaven is, and he is already smitten with Grandma Sand and all the others who have gone before us.

Gary's legacy lives on in his beautiful children and grandchildren. We are proud of these young people, and always will be. We love you all.

Cousin Christine - December 12, 2014 at 10:28 AM

BC

“ I want to say that what i saw in Gary was a man of honor. Who loved his family and his memory will be carried on through his children. We are on this earth to do the best we can, and Gary did. I remember after the loss of his wife, Gary continued on being their for his mother-in-law who was alone. He knew what it was like to be alone and he reached out. So, Mike, Sarah & Chris remember all the good that established your family. We love you very much and are here if you need us. Love Barb

Barb Cartier - December 12, 2014 at 10:28 AM

RB

“ Mike, Sarah & Chris- I am praying so much for all 3 of you! I am so sorry about the loss of your Dad, especially so soon after losing your Mom. Your Dad was always such a "rock" in our family. Although, growing up, I never got to know my Uncle Gary very well, I have to say that when he came out for J.P.'s wedding, I got the chance to really talk with him. What a great man! You could tell how much he loved all of you! I wish I could be there in person, but know I'm praying for and supporting you guys from Colorado. I love you!

Rachel

Rachel Blandin - December 12, 2014 at 10:28 AM