



## Gary Draffin

March 12, 1952 - May 3, 2019

A Memorial Service will be held for Mr. Draffin, Friday May 10, 2019 2:00p.m. at Blessed Hope Church, 1430 Asbury Road, Albertville, Alabama

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY 10. 2:00 PM (CT)

Blessed Hope Church  
1430 Asbury Road  
Albertville, AL

# Tribute Wall

CW

“ I have listened and watched several videos of Gary, and of Gary and Debbie; you could see the joy, happiness and love they had for each other. I wish that I had met Gary, he seemed like the kind of man everyone would want to know and be around. Debbie you have a lot of memories to love and cherish; praying for you as you continue on this journey 🙏



Charlotte Williams - May 09, 2019 at 07:57 PM

 Vivian  
N Joe  
Bannister

“ Memories of good times with Gary Draffin and the Band at the Miracle Mile during our younger years. Setting up the sound stage, getting up there and entertaining...what a Blast we had! So glad to reminence with you and Debbie McCoy about the good old days. Will miss you old buddy. Play the band in Heaven and hope to see you again, my friend.



Vivian N Joe Bannister - May 09, 2019 at 03:54 PM

TO

“ Gary was always happy to see me at any family gathering. The last time I saw him he was playing on stage at a local casino. He saw me and in the middle of the song he says Hey, there's Tonie. He made me smile. I always enjoyed when we did see him. He was loved.



Tonie - May 08, 2019 at 07:47 PM



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



May 08, 2019 at 07:44 PM

RS

“ I met Gary in `74 when we were trying to put together a band and we immediately became friends. We hooked back up in the `80s when he was booking and gigging. Then in the `90s we worked together in *The Contenders* and *The Marvelles* and in 2000s we did casinos and cruise ship gigs when you (Bubba F) joined us. I was glad I got to see him again in 2018 when he came to Memphis to visit Robert Murray in the ICU. Gary was in bad shape then and didn't need to be driving 5 hrs, but it just goes to show you how loyal and true he was as a friend. I too talked with him a few days before his passing and although it broke my heart to hear him giving up (anyone who knew Gary knows how strong of a person he was) I knew he had fought the fight and was ready to end all the pain and suffering he'd been through. My heart and admiration go out for his wife Debbie who was there for him. Debbie is a small lady and it had to be really hard to assist a big guy like Gary get through every day. GOD Bless you Debbie myfren and comfort you during your heartache. Rest in Peace With The Lord Gary Myfren.....yofrenray 🥹



ray still - May 08, 2019 at 01:49 PM

RT

“ Debbie you know that I did not know Gary. There are a few things that I do know. You hoped for love and found Gary. I for one was very happy that you were happy. I'm sure that you are one of the greatest people in his entire life. He loved you "till death due us part." You fought the battle with him sickness and all. We both know that it must have been part of God's plan. (Better to have loved and lost than never to have loved at all.) I truly wish that I could be there and say all of this in person but since I can't I'm taking the chance that I said some of the right words. My prayers are always for you and with you. The bottom line is we have never met but still have love for each other. I love you.

Rolanda Trask - May 08, 2019 at 02:24 AM

VL

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Gary Draffin*



Vickie Lynn - May 07, 2019 at 09:26 PM

Mary Daniels

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Gary Draffin*



Mary Daniels - May 07, 2019 at 08:14 PM

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Mary Daniels - May 07, 2019 at 08:10 PM

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Mary Daniels - May 07, 2019 at 08:06 PM

YL

“ *One of the sweetest men I've ever known. So glad I got to see him last week. We used to laugh a lot in high school. He was so down to earth. Will miss him a lot. See you again in heaven my friend.* ❤️

Yvonne Lowery - May 07, 2019 at 07:27 PM