



Gary S. Henderson

June 22, 1951 - July 4, 2023

Gary passed away peacefully on July 4, 2023 with his loving wife and children at his side

following a sudden illness. Gary was born on June 22, 1951 in Darby, PA to the late Kenneth

and Goldie Juanita Henderson. He was the middle child to his older brother Kenneth, and

younger sister Anita. Gary grew up in Yeadon, PA where he graduated from Yeadon High

School in 1970. He attended Ohio University, and later transferred to Widener University where

he earned a B.S. in Business Management 1980.

Gary worked with his father at Haslett Motor Company during his teenage years, where his love,

knowledge, and admiration for cars began. In 1977, Gary started working at The Boeing

Company (formally known as Boeing Vertol) in Ridley Twp., PA as a Metal Spar Mechanic.

Following the confirmation of his degree, he transitioned to a new position of Program scheduler

where he stayed until his retirement in 2014 after 37 years at The Boeing Company. While at

Boeing, Gary had the opportunity to work in the PP&C Group for the Comanche, V-22, and CH-47 programs. His cubicle became a communal spot for the office; his ever-present candy jar brought coworkers over while his kind and calm demeanor made them stay. Gary's carrot cakes and chocolate cakes were always a big hit for every function at work. (He thought he would only be remembered from his baking, not his actual work!) During his years at Boeing, Gary participated in the Boeing Pre-Management Seminars, Urban League Leadership Institute, 2nd Vice President of Boeing Leadership Association (BLA) 2004-2006, BLA President 2008-2010, Volleyball League President, Tennis League, and Boeing Car Club. Gary participated in multiple charities and community work over the years. He raised money for the Easter Seals through volleyball and baseball games. He was able to present the check on the TV Telethon with Ukee Washington. For over 15+ years, he participated in Senior Solutions, delivering meals to senior citizens for the various holidays. He was a dedicated member of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Gary was a past Vestry Board Member, involved in the Men's Ministry, Chicken BBQ chair, Family Promise and All Brunch Catering with Carla.

Gary's life revolved around his love for his family. He was truly a dedicated husband and father.

Gary met his love, Carla, at The Boeing Company. She was also involved in

the Volleyball league where Gary was the President. Their love and relationship grew, until being married in March 1996. Through this union, they were blessed with two children, Gary, Jr. and Marisa Alana, whose accomplishments he took great pride in. They built a beautiful home in South Jersey and enjoyed raising their family. Gary and Carla celebrated 27 years of marriage in March at their favorite seafood restaurant near Smithville, NJ. Mayla, from Gary's previous marriage, was lovingly present and involved with her father and siblings' lives over the years. Gary enjoyed making pancakes for Mayla using fun cut outs and attending her school plays during her childhood. If he was not working at Boeing, he was participating as a coach to many of Gary, Jr. and Marisa's sport events, and even supporting Carla on the side with her catering business. In later years, he began the journey once again by attending soccer, track, and baseball events for his two grandsons. While in the kitchen cooking up a delicious barbeque meal one time, Gary (also known as "Papa G") surprised his family with 10 packs of water balloons, so his grandchildren, and children could enjoy them. His CooCoo clocks in the house became the joy for the grandsons at the top of the hour.

Gary loved muscle cars, and owned several in his lifetime. He was one of the

original members of the Mid-Atlantic Classic Amx-Amc Club. He was an avid football fan and owned season tickets for the Philadelphia Eagles football games that he attended with his father and brother. He went to the Phillies World Series in 1980. He participated in a Fantasy Football League for 25 years. Additionally, smooth jazz was always playing in the car, especially “Top Down Friday’s” in the Mercedes, tapping to the music. Gary was involved with the Senior Tennis League. He loved cooking and grilling for his family and friends, always searching for new recipes, dishes, and dessert ideas. He also loved traveling, especially driving to visit family in Ohio, and family trips to Tennessee, Wisconsin, Georgia, Massachusetts, Vermont and Florida. In addition Gary and Carla also enjoyed many activities together including participating in The Dragon Boat Race and the American Cancer Society Bike-a-Thon bike races. In his retirement years, Gary worked part time at Amazon. In his free time, he enjoyed watching MASH, The Price is Right, GMA, Jeopardy, Columbo, James Bond, and Alfred Hitchcock classics together with Carla. He loved talking about history and watching sports games, which were the basis of several long conversations with Gary Jr.–sometimes into the early morning. Every year, the Garys would attend the Philadelphia Car Show in addition to a myriad of shows hosted by the AMC club. Gary enjoyed sending daily Dad jokes to Marisa

every morning. He continued to find new recipes to cook and grill for family and friends. His latest apprentice, Mario, looked forward to every Sunday learning the art of cooking from the "Grill Master".

Gary was loved by many, and had several friends throughout his life. His kind and generous heart, as well as sense of humor, gravitated people to him. He was well liked by everyone who knew him. He will truly be missed by all.

Gary S.Henderson is survived by Carla, his beloved wife of 27 years, his loving children Mayla, Gary, Jr. and Marisa. Son-in-law Thomas IV, two grandsons Thomas V and Lucas. Brother Kenneth (Denise) Henderson and Sister Anita (Jesse) Henderson-Coleman in addition to a host of loving cousins, in-laws, family & friends.

Lovingly Submitted,
The Henderson Family

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a viewing on Friday, July 14, 2023 from 9:30am to 11am at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 11 N. Monroe Avenue, Wenonah, NJ 08090.

Funeral Service 11am at the church.

Interment Eglington Cemetery, Clarksboro.

In lieu of flowers, send donations to Kidney Cancer Organizations and/or American Cancer Society (donate.cancer.org) in honor of Gary S Henderson.

For condolences, to sign the online quest book and to view Gary's Video Tribute, please visit www.boucherfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 14. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
11 N. Monroe Avenue
Wenonah, NJ 08090

Funeral Service

JUL 14. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
11 N. Monroe Avenue
Wenonah, NJ 08090

Interment

JUL 14. 2:00 PM (ET)

Eglington Cemetery & Mausoleum
320 Kings Highway
Clarksboro, NJ 08020
(856) 423-0165

Tribute Wall



“ *Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & Gloucester County Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary S. Henderson*



Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service - July 13, 2023 at 03:55 PM

AR

“ *Dear Mayla,*

Please accept my sincere condolences. It is so difficult to lose a parent and for our kids to lose a grandpa - my Dad was “Papa” to my son, too. Sending you and your family so much love and many hugs during this difficult time and as life continues without him physically present.

With Sympathy,

Audrey Ann Ross

Audrey Ann Ross - July 17, 2023 at 09:52 AM

DT

“ *Carla family, Sending condolences to the Henderson family at this difficult time, my prayers will always be with you. Peace and Love,
Deirdre Turner and family*



Deirdre Turner - July 14, 2023 at 10:59 PM



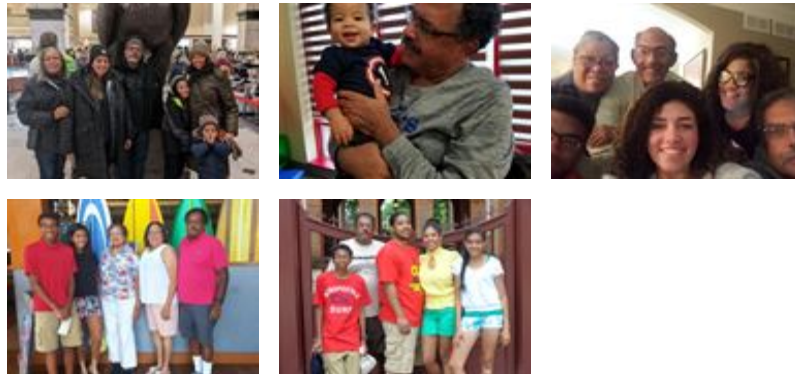
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gary S. Henderson.*



July 13, 2023 at 09:33 PM



“ *197 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Boucher Funeral Home, LLC & County Cremation Service - July 13, 2023 at 03:19 PM

WD

“ At Evans Elementary School. We were classmates in Mrs McNair’s sixth grade class and we had fun even though she was very strict.

Also, Gary was a great blocking guard on the Yeadon High School football team. For such a nice guy, he was the exact opposite on the field! I enjoyed playing next to him.

We also shared a CEO, James McNerney. I worked with James at 3M and Gary at Boeing. We talked working with him and his influence from Jack Welch (Six Sigma and being an undercover boss).

Gary, I will miss you!

Wendell Domon

Wendell Domon - July 13, 2023 at 01:14 PM

YF

“ Your Boeing Family purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Gary S. Henderson.



Your Boeing Family - July 13, 2023 at 06:25 AM

SH

“ I had the pleasure of working with gary at Amazon. He was such a nice man and I enjoyed working with him we used to always kid around bc my sons name is gary but he will truly be missed by his coworkers and my condolences to his family

shelley - July 12, 2023 at 12:14 AM

LW

“ I was sorry to hear of the passing of former Elder Avenue resident and Yeadonite, Gary Henderson. My condolences are with his family. May he rest in peace. May the peace of the Lord be with him.

Lydia Williams



Lydia Williams - July 11, 2023 at 05:54 PM

CA

“ So sadden to hear of Gary's passing. It was a beautifully written obituary that made me smile when I read about his carrot cakes. I remember them being such a big hit at the cross country meet tailgates. Sending prayers and hugs - The Grandizio family - Carol, Frank, Joey and Jason

Carol - July 11, 2023 at 05:45 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Gary S. Henderson.



July 11, 2023 at 05:15 PM

RS

“ Like may Boeing guys I had the pleasure of knowing Gary. In all those years never knew we both grew up in Yeadon only blks apart. He was a good guy respected by his peers. I was one of the guys that occasionally gathered at his cubicle. Good memories. May he rest in peace and the lord give his family strength durring these difficult times. God Bless, I was honored to be his friend.



Ralph Swan - July 11, 2023 at 10:48 AM

GH

“ Gene and Aline Higgins purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Gary S. Henderson.



Gene and Aline Higgins - July 09, 2023 at 01:44 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gary S. Henderson.



July 09, 2023 at 12:11 PM