



Gary A. Miller

April 19, 2020

Gary A. Miller, 82, of Napoleon, Ohio died peacefully on Sunday, April 19th, 2020 at the Toledo Hospital surrounded by his family. Gary was born December 7, 1937 in Napoleon, Ohio to the late Cloyce V. and Stella Charlotte (Walbolt) Miller. On June 14, 1964, he married Karen (Bindeman) Miller at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon, Ohio.

Gary was a 1955 graduate of Napoleon High School. He attended The Ohio State University and received a Bachelor of Business Administration in 1959 and a Bachelor of Education in 1964, and his Master's of Education from Bowling Green State University in 1966. He served in the United States Army National Guard 37th infantry from 1960-1967.

Gary was the former Director of Business Education and Industry at Four County Career Center for many years. He was also adjunct faculty at Northwest State Community College, where he taught business courses and worked in administration. He co-authored the textbook "Professional Selling, Inside and Out" and wrote and published over 4,000 newspaper articles concerning various school and vocational education topics.

He was an active member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon, Past President and co-founder of Henry-Defiance Counties Ohio State University Alumni Club, former member of the Napoleon Aquatic Club, certified United

States Swimming Association official, member of Henry County Chamber of Commerce, Henry County Farm Bureau member, Eagle Scout, Napoleon American Legion, Defiance Community Band and Rube Band member. He was also an avid photographer, golfer, and enjoyed restoring antiques.

He is survived by his wife, Karen; daughters, Alicia (Marc) Miller of Baltimore, Ohio and Laura (Michael) Chaddock of Dowagiac, Michigan; grandchildren, Justin, April (Jesus Mota), Alaina, and Nicolas Miller and McKenna Chaddock; great granddaughters, Paige Miller and Emmalynn Mota. He was also preceded in death by a brother, James Miller.

Due to the current health environment, a private graveside service will take place at Forest Hill Cemetery, Napoleon, Ohio. A public memorial service will be announced later. Memorials may be directed to St. Paul Lutheran Church 1035 Glenwood Ave. Napoleon, Ohio or Boy Scouts of America Black Swamp Area Council Chinquapin District 2100 Broad Ave. Findlay OH 45840. Online condolences may be made at www.rodembergergray.com.

Cemetery Details

Forest Hill Cemetery

500 E. Maumee Ave
Napoleon, OH 43545

Tribute Wall

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“ One of the very nicest guys I have ever had the privilege to work with at the Four County Career Center. I sincerely appreciated his friendship and enjoyed the conversations when I occasionally car pooled with him from Napoleon to the career center. He was a person who was liked by everybody. My sympathy goes out to his family.

Terry McDowell

Terry McDowell - April 30, 2020 at 09:00 AM

JD

“ So very sorry to hear about the passing of Gary. We know how he will be missed. We are sending our prayers to the family and friends of Gary.

Marv and Judy Dickmann

Judy Dickmann - April 27, 2020 at 12:11 PM

GW

“ So very sorry for your loss. Remember Gary as always a kind, willing person to help at various school functions especially at the NAC swim meets. Our sincere condolences to your family.



Gary & Lila Wernecke - April 26, 2020 at 07:17 PM

SB

“ We are thinking and praying for Gary's family at this time.
Scott and Pat Behnfeldt

Scott and Pat Behnfeldt - April 25, 2020 at 12:58 PM

LF

“ I remember Gary as a talented musician, hard worker, and a really nice person. His dry humor always made me laugh. He loved his family so much.

Larry Fruth formerly of Pataskala, Ohio



Larry Fruth - April 23, 2020 at 10:43 AM

DR

“ Many fun memories with Gary in Port Clinton as well as the Rube Band!! So wonderful to have had him as a friend!!!! To the family...sorry for your loss at this time !!!! Much love!!!!

Dave Randels - April 23, 2020 at 10:26 AM

SS

“ Dear Karen, you are in my thoughts and prayers. Gary was a wonderful man and I am blessed to have known him. Love and miss you
Sara Sonneneberg

Sara sonnenberg - April 23, 2020 at 07:11 AM

CC

“ Gary was a Class Mate of ours and a great friend. We have been close at all our class reunions. We are still meeting each summer now. Ken and Lois Haase are helping with those. Gary started stopping in when Dick and I moved back to Napoleon in 2015, Dick always enjoyed his company and several of the stories he wrote. Karen and Family we pray the life you all made together will soon overshadow the loss you feel at this time.
God Bless you. Connie Cobb.

connie m. cobb - April 22, 2020 at 06:16 PM

LW

“ Gary was a great musician. I really enjoyed his playing with the Bud Widmer Rube Band. He told me a lot of great stories about experiences with the band. I will greatly miss playing music with him.

Lonnie Warncke

Lonnie Warncke - April 22, 2020 at 05:20 PM

KW

“ So sorry to hear. Enjoyed playing music with him..

Kathie Williams - April 22, 2020 at 03:15 PM

JB

“ Gary was an outstanding leader at the Four County Career Center. In his role in public relations, he loved to tell the world about the good things that were happening at the school. He was a good friend to so many and made a difference.

Jim Battershell - April 21, 2020 at 10:19 PM

TS

“ Dear Karen, Alicia and Laura:
We always enjoyed our years as neighbors to your family. Gary was a pleasure to visit with, he was always busy on a project in the yard or garage. We send our sincere sympathy to you all, he was a good and faithful servant.
Our love, Tom, Susie, Andrew and Ben Snyder

tom snyder - April 21, 2020 at 02:53 PM

MJ

“ So sorry to hear about Gary ..lot of memories growing up in the same area of Napoleon and his folks ..

Martin Jackson - April 21, 2020 at 01:43 PM

SC

“ Karen and family. The Covert family are so sorry for your loss. Gary was the heart of the Walbolt Reunion for so many years. We have been missing him and praying for him. He was a wonderfully warm good man. He will be missed.

Sara Covert - April 21, 2020 at 01:38 PM

GS

“ A GREAT PERSON. A GREAT TEACHER. A GREAT FRIEND.
Gene Short'

gene short - April 21, 2020 at 01:07 PM

MC

“ Karen, I am so sorry for your loss. I did not know Gary well but did attend some of his classes in the past. He seemed like a very great man!.

Marilyn Frabell Carroll - April 21, 2020 at 09:15 AM