



Gary Lee Nelson

October 23, 1984 - October 22, 2015

Gary Lee Nelson was born on October 23, 1984 at Mountain Home Air Force Base in Idaho to Jeffrey Lee Nelson and Kimberly Ann Nelson. Gary graduated from East High School in Cheyenne Wyoming and then attended Laramie County Community College in Cheyenne Wyoming for two years. On June 1, 2013 Gary married the love of his life Marissa E. Garnica in a ceremony in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Gary loved all things Ninja Turtle and playing his video games in his spare time. Gary also enjoyed the outings to the mountains with Marissa, friends, and activities like biking, wake surfing, and camping. Gary had an incredible sense of humor that he shared with his family and friends.

Gary was diagnosed with stage 4 neuroendocrine cancer in August of 2014. He fought a very hard battle with this disease until the end. Gary passed away on October 22, 2015 in the presence of friends and family.

Gary is survived by his wife, Marissa; Baby A and Baby B Garnica-Nelson; parents, Jeff and Kim Nelson; grandparents, Phyllis and Hensel Nelson; grandpa, Butch McGrane; mother in law, Laura Garnica, and God Daughter, Cassandra Murray, and best friend, Eric McCaffery.

Gary's legacy will continue on through his children that are due to be born in

May of 2016. Gary fondly called them Thing One and Thing Two.

A Visitation will be held on Monday from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Bohlander Funeral Chapel. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church. Interment to follow at Grandview Cemetery.

Everyone is invited to a reception at the Knights of Columbus, 121 N. Meldrum Street from 12:00 - 4:00 pm following the Mass.

Cemetery Details

Grandview Cemetery

1900 W. Mountain Ave.
Ft. Collins, CO 80521

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **26**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Bohlender Funeral Chapel
121 W. Olive Street
Fort Collins, CO 80524
(970) 482-4244
<https://www.bohlenderfuneralchapel.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **27**. 9:30 AM (MT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
300 W. Mountain Ave. Fort Collins, CO 80521
Fort Collins, CO 80521

Tribute Wall

DR

“ *Kim, Jeff, and Gary's family,
So sorry to hear of your loss. When we lose someone we love, it seems that time stands still. Those we love and lose are together with us in heart, and forever with us in memory. There will be many memories to cherish, some will brings tears, some will bring silent laughs and many smiles. May you and your families feel and find peace and love with family and friends surrounding you. Love Aunt Deb and Dennis Rosen*

Deb (McGrane) and Dennis Rosen - October 29, 2015 at 01:54 PM

CS

“ *Christy & Ben Shreiner lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Christy & Ben Shreiner - October 26, 2015 at 08:46 PM

CH

Gary I will miss the fun and blond moments we had at work together!! You were a fighter to the end! You will be missed by many! Until we meet again my friend....

Christy - October 26, 2015 at 08:52 PM

MA

“ Gary was a blast to have at the Timberline office, I teased him a great deal about his scheduling of pts (wrong of course) One time I told him he owed me flowers chocolate and a gift card for his scheduling oops. I rec a piece of candy, an office pen with a flower attached and when he asked if sufficient I questioned where the gift card was? He pulled out of his wallet a much battered and very dirty old expired Target gift card!!!!

mary - October 26, 2015 at 03:32 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Gary Lee Nelson.



October 26, 2015 at 03:28 PM

KS

“ I know they are smiling and laughing now that you've made it Heaven Gary. Love and Prayers to your family at this time. May you rest in eternal peace my Brother You will be Forever Loved and Missed.

" Kerm @ WYDOT

Kermit C. Green Sr. - October 26, 2015 at 11:10 AM

BM

“ *Billie McHone lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Billie McHone - October 26, 2015 at 10:38 AM

BM

Gary was the gentlest, kindest, sweetest guy I have ever met. I was so lucky to get to get to work with him, and to call him my friend.

Billie McHone - October 26, 2015 at 10:39 AM

DB

“ *Donna Thomas And Luke Bernander lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Donna Thomas and Luke Bernander - October 26, 2015 at 10:32 AM

VM

“ *Thinking of you and your family!
The McCarthy Family*



Vicki Mccarthy - October 26, 2015 at 04:43 AM

BP

“ With deepest sympathy, I am heartbroken for your families loss. Gary was a great guy and lived to his fullest. Thinking of you in this sad time.



Brittney Province - October 25, 2015 at 11:21 PM

KJ

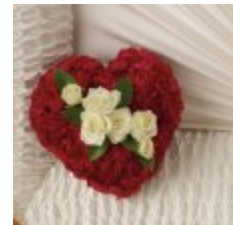
“ Although no words can really help the loss and pain you bear, please know you are very close in my thoughts and prayers. My deepest sympathy.

Karen Jepson

Karen Jepson - October 25, 2015 at 08:41 PM

LJ

“ Love, Unk Jerry purchased the A Devoted Heart Casket Insert for the family of Gary Lee Nelson.



Love, Unk Jerry - October 25, 2015 at 06:54 PM

TB

“ The Randall Bunch purchased the Pink Tribute S pray for the family of Gary Lee Nelson.



The Randall Bunch - October 25, 2015 at 06:54 PM

CM

“ Chet, Don, Roger, Cindy Hector, Ruth Frank & Peg Miller purchased the *Fairest of All* for the family of Gary Lee Nelson.



Chet, Don, Roger, Cindy Hector, Ruth Frank & Peg Miller -
October 25, 2015 at 03:46 PM

GH

“ Grandpa Hensel purchased the *Beautiful in Blue* for the family of Gary Lee Nelson.



Grandpa Hensel - October 25, 2015 at 11:12 AM

JD

“ Julie Davis lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson



Julie Davis - October 24, 2015 at 08:36 AM

KA

“ Kathy lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson



Kathy - October 24, 2015 at 08:27 AM

KL

“ You always "just kept swimming" Gary, I will forever remember your contagious smile and tenacity for life. May you rest in peace.

Kim Lindeken - October 23, 2015 at 11:09 PM

JJ

“ Rest in peace Gary. You are finally healed and pain free. May God wrap his arms around Marissa and your family today and in the days ahead.



Jamie Jefferson - October 23, 2015 at 10:09 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary Lee Nelson.



October 23, 2015 at 10:06 PM

JF

“ Jon and Ana Fairchild purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Gary Lee Nelson.



Jon and Ana Fairchild - October 23, 2015 at 07:23 PM

JV

“ *John & Cindy VanKempen lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



John & Cindy VanKempen - October 23, 2015 at 04:18 PM

LA

“ *In memory of my wonderful son in law. Gary I will miss so much.*



Laura - October 23, 2015 at 02:58 PM

BM

“ *To our honorary dance member and DJ extraordinaire! We will miss you dearly mi amigo!!*



Ballet Folklorico Raices de Mexico - October 23, 2015 at 02:32 PM

MI

“ *Michaelene lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Michaelene - October 23, 2015 at 02:27 PM



“ *Shelly Massingale lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Shelly Massingale - October 23, 2015 at 02:13 PM



“ *Angella & Cassandra lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Angella & Cassandra - October 23, 2015 at 12:56 PM



“ *Your Workers' Compensation Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Gary Lee Nelson.*



Your Workers' Compensation Family - October 23, 2015 at 12:46 PM



“ *What a kind soul. I only wear non-bronco garb for you Gary!*

Marissa, you have a lot of support with your AFM family! Love and strength is coming your way!

Dixie - October 23, 2015 at 11:59 AM

WL

“ We are so saddened by the loss of Gary. We love you Marissa.



Wil and Kelsey Lopez - October 23, 2015 at 11:14 AM

VH

“ Vickie Hintze lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson



Vickie Hintze - October 23, 2015 at 11:06 AM

HD

“ I knew Gary while he worked here at WYDOT! He was a great person, extremely nice to everyone that he encountered. I remember most how excited he was about his up coming marriage and he even put up with us girls asking about how the planning was going. He was very excited about excited to move to Ft. Collins and start a new beginning. I am so sorry for you loss and your family is in my thoughts and prayers!

Holly Daniels - October 23, 2015 at 10:52 AM

AN

“ Gary and I were friends in Jr. High and High School. He was usually quiet. When you got to know him, he would be quite funny. We had a few classes together and we'd talk about Ninja Turtles, Dragon Ball or rock music. I work in the same building as he did at WYDOT. Every now and then we would meet in the halls and talk about video games and movies or whatever else. He was a great guy. I will miss him dearly.



Anthony - October 23, 2015 at 10:32 AM

MM

“ Marilee Manalo sent a virtual gift in memory of Gary Lee Nelson



marilee manalo - October 23, 2015 at 10:08 AM

TK

“ A kind a gentle man that we are happy to have known. Tara and Craig Keys



Tara and Craig Keys - October 23, 2015 at 10:05 AM

AF

“ Andrew And Jessica Forney lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson



Andrew and Jessica Forney - October 23, 2015 at 09:59 AM

LF

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Gary was a very kind soul. I am glad I got to know him while he worked here at WYDOT.




Lisa Fresquez - October 23, 2015 at 09:58 AM

SN

“ Sandra Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson



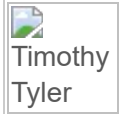
Sandra Nicholson - October 23, 2015 at 09:46 AM

 Timothy Tyler

“ Timothy Tyler lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson



Timothy Tyler - October 23, 2015 at 09:44 AM



Timothy
Tyler

From your WYDOT-Office Services family.

Timothy Tyler - October 23, 2015 at 09:45 AM

HH

“ *Holly Hopwood lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Holly Hopwood - October 23, 2015 at 09:44 AM

LJ

“ *So sorry for your loss.*
Leslie Jones



Leslie Jones - October 23, 2015 at 09:43 AM

CS

“ *Carol Slane lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Carol Slane - October 23, 2015 at 09:42 AM

CO

“ *Too Gary's Family, May his Memory be Eternal.*
God Bless and Keep him close.

Curtis Olson - October 23, 2015 at 09:42 AM

CO

“ *Curtis Olson lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Curtis Olson - October 23, 2015 at 09:40 AM



“ *Kathy Sierocki lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Kathy Sierocki - October 23, 2015 at 09:22 AM

GJ

“ *Gail McGrane Jackson lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Gail McGrane Jackson - October 23, 2015 at 09:02 AM

SR

“ *Stephanie McGrane Roberts lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Nelson*



Stephanie McGrane Roberts - October 23, 2015 at 08:50 AM