



Gary Joseph Graske

October 24, 1949 - July 8, 2024

Gary Joseph Graske, 74, of Richmond, Texas passed away on July 8, 2024. He was born on October 24, 1949 in Lake Charles, Louisiana to Walter and Frances Graske.

Gary was a long-time, faithful member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Richmond and held the honor of being a 4th Degree Knight of Columbus. The church was Gary's home away from home. You could often times find him cooking for the church Bazaar or on Meet and Greet Duty welcoming folks with Coffee and Donuts.

Gary loved spending time with his family, whether it was going all out for Christmas or Mardi Gras, cooking or barbequing and having everyone together. He also loved his animals and tending to his yard, plants and fig trees.

Gary has touched the lives of so many over the years and he will truly be missed.

In addition to his parents, Gary is preceded in death by his son, Michael B. Graske.

Survivors include his daughter, Melissa D. Graske; step children, Ashley,

Brittany and Brandon Arnold; brother, Walter John Graske and wife, Carol; sister, Julia Ragusa; best friend, Marco Hassansei and wife, Fazila; along with a host of friends.

A Memorial Mass will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 3, 2024 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 507 S. 4th Street in Richmond, Texas. A Rosary will be recited at 10:00 a.m.

For those wishing, in lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Richmond, Texas.

Tributes and words of condolence may be left for the family at www.davisgreenlawnfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Davis-Greenlawn Funeral Home, 3900 B.F. Terry Blvd. (Hwy 59 South @ FM 2218), Rosenberg, Texas 77471, Phone: 281-341-8800.

Previous Events

Service

AUG 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
507 S. Fourth Street Richmond, TX US 77469
Richmond, TX 77469

**There will be a Rosary recited at 10:00 a.m.*

Tribute Wall

TH

“ I first met Gary while working in Algeria. He became much more than a co-worker but a dear friend. He was loved by all who knew him and made the 28 days in the middle of the Sahara dessert more bearable. He would always bring over brisket. The cooks loved him. We loved him. Thanks Gary for the memories. See you on the other side. To his lovely family, my deepest condolences on his passing. Rest assured you will be in our prayers during this difficult time.

terry hunt - August 02, 2024 at 08:08 PM

LH

“ Love everyone at Davis Holdings purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Gary Joseph Graske.



Love everyone at Davis Holdings - August 01, 2024 at 12:26 PM

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“ Love everyone at Davis Holdings planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Joseph Graske.

Love everyone at Davis Holdings - August 01, 2024 at 12:26 PM

JH

“ Gary was a terrific guy, always had a smile for all he met. He will be missed

Julie Heath - July 13, 2024 at 07:02 PM

ST

Uncle Gary was a great person to my family and I. He loved and helped take care of his aging sister, my Mom, by talking with her on the phone for hours, driving her back and forth to Lake Charles, driving to her house to tie up tomato plants after a storm blew them over, helping her to periodically fertilize her fig trees in her yard, etc. He asked me what I was doing one phone call a few months ago, and we got to talking about cordless vs non-cordless tools. I told him I was using my Milwaukee cordless chainsaw, but the battery life was short because I didn't have the largest battery. About 1 week later, he bought and sent me the largest Milwaukee M18 battery. He was generous to my family and I in words and actions.

Steven - July 16, 2024 at 07:50 AM

CG

Gary was my brother-law but he became my brother too. Walter his brother and I Carol his wife were always over in Houston or Gary came to us in Lake Charles. Zeck his dog was his best buddy. Gary we will miss you. I am so glad that you and Julia came over to see your brother and I you were together one last time. Though we did not know it but, God did. Love you ❤️❤️ I will be praying for you 🙏🙏🙏

Carolyn Graske - July 17, 2024 at 06:38 PM

SA

Gary and I were colleagues for years, but our bond grew into a close friendship. He became like family to me. Gary was a genuinely great person – happy, kind, and always generous. He'd often cook for us, throwing the best barbecues with his famous brisket.

One visit especially comes to mind. I had the pleasure of meeting his brother, Walter, and his sister-in-law, Carol. And who could forget his adorable puppies, Charlie and Stitscen?

I'll miss you dearly, Gary. You were one of the best, and I'll never forget you. Rest in peace, my friend.

Sabrina - July 23, 2024 at 04:16 PM