



## Gary Don Christensen

June 12, 1947 - May 28, 2022

Gary Don Christensen, 74, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 28, 2022, with his family at his side.

Memorial service and celebration of Gary's life will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday at All Faiths Funeral Home. There will be a gathering of family and friends from 1:00 until the time of service. Burial of ashes will be at Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery.

Gary was born June 12, 1947, to Delbert and Lela (Oltman) Miller. His mother remarried after the passing of Delbert and Gary was adopted by Mervin Christensen and the entire Christensen family. He always considered himself fortunate to have three sets of grandparents, Raymond and Anna Oltman, Martin and Jorena Christensen and Cecil and Besse Miller.

At the age of ten, Gary was employed as a bellhop after school and on weekends at the Erin Rancho Motel in Grand Island. He also worked at Vavra's Sausage Kitchen as a teenager. He graduated from Grand Island Senior High, class of 1965.

Gary was married to the mother of his girls, Judy Linden, for 28 years. He made his career in sales, working for Fedders Corp., and later Grand Island Express where he was Executive Vice President of Marketing. He also was a

small business owner in Grand Island.

He was a member of the Ashlar 33 Masonic Lodge, the Saddle Club and was in the Who's Who of American Business.

Gary loved golf, football and enjoyed coaching softball and baseball for his girls and grandkids. He loved to talk 'ball' with them. He also followed and loved watching the horse races. Gary grew up around horses and they always held a special place in his heart.

Those who cherish his memory include his girls, Brenda Karr (Todd Friesen) of Grand Island, Angie (Kelly) Fegter of Mount Ulla, NC, Amy (Jason) Deras of Grand Island, and Carissa Christensen of Grand Island; eleven grandchildren, Joshua and Nathan Karr, Brandon, Jordan, Allison and Amanda Fegter, Megan Carbajal, and Lauren, Shelby, Emily and Elara Christensen.

He is also survived by thirteen great-grandchildren, brothers, Gregg Christensen of Lincoln and Brad (Barb) Christensen of Buffalo, WY; sister, Raye Ann Christensen of Grand Island; nieces and nephews; and many life-long friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and his beloved Westie, Harley.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation.

Online remembrances may be left at [www.gjallfaiths.com](http://www.gjallfaiths.com).

# Previous Events

## Gathering of friends and family

JUN 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home  
2929 S Locust St  
Grand Island, NE 68801  
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<https://www.giallfaiths.com/>

## Celebration of Life Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *All Faiths Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Gary Don Christensen*



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**All Faiths Funeral Home** - June 02, 2022 at 02:26 PM



“ *Gary Don Christensen*

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October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *To Gary's family---when Gary and I were in high school, we lived about two blocks away from each other. I have lots of great memories of our times together, and he and I re-connected a few years ago and had an occasional email or phone call back and forth. I was very sorry to learn of his passing, and please know that all of you are in my thoughts and prayers. Bruce McKeag*

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**Bruce McKeag** - June 11, 2022 at 11:23 AM



“ *Gary was a great guy and loved GI Football. Cathy and I cannot come to visitation, but we wish you kids the best. Dan and Cathy Denman*

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**DANNY DENMAN** - June 01, 2022 at 05:59 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary Don Christensen.*



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June 01, 2022 at 05:55 PM



“ *We were business partners in our 60's. Great teacher, respected and very loyal friend. I will sincerely miss him. After I moved/retired to Texas, we stayed in touch. Wish I could be at his send off, but, timing is short to be present. Dan Zwilling*

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**dan zwilling** - June 01, 2022 at 12:59 PM



“ *Aunt Crystal and Mike Dees purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Gary Don Christensen.*



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**Aunt Crystal and Mike Dees** - June 01, 2022 at 11:55 AM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Gary Don Christensen.*



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May 31, 2022 at 07:32 PM