



Gary Edward Suydam

August 9, 1949 - January 28, 2022

ADRIAN – Gary Edward Suydam, 72, of Adrian died on Thursday, January 28, 2022 at Regency Hospital in Sylvania, Ohio.

He was born on August 9, 1949 in Adrian, Michigan to Edward and Sarah (Fabiano) Suydam. He attended Michigan State University studying criminal justice. Gary had a thirst for learning his whole life taking classes that interested him. You could always find Gary on the porch with a book in his hand.

On June 18, 1983 Gary married Lori Tavierne and they have shared 38 years together.

Gary retired from Adrian Steel after 30 years of dedicated service. He was a true hockey fan, whether it was cheering on the Detroit Redwings or coaching his son's hockey team in Toledo and Monroe. Gary enjoyed the challenge of a good crossword puzzle and would focus on this before going on to read the newspaper.

In addition to his wife, Lori, Gary is survived by his children, Danielle (Tony) Ebert, Kyle (Alicia) Suydam and Joel (Kassondra) Suydam; grandchildren, Alexis, Aaliyah and Easton Ebert, Kyleigh and Max Suydam, and Bennett and McKenzie Suydam; brothers, Dennis (Cindy) Suydam and David Suydam;

brother-in-law, Gary (Sarah) Tavierne; and 4 nieces and 1 nephew. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Following Gary's wishes cremation will take place with no services at this time. Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of your choice in Gary's name.

All arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian where online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Gary Edward Suydam

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



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Kevin Kyle - February 15, 2022 at 10:59 AM



“ I first met Lock in September 1970. His first words to me were "Shut up" (he was watching Perry Mason).. We lived together for 9 months, they were the best times of my life. Over the years we almost never talked, we didn't have to. I simply loved him. Heaven is a happier place now.
Kevin X Kyle

Kevin X Kyle - February 14, 2022 at 11:08 AM



He talked about you and Bruce all the time.

lori suydam - February 24, 2022 at 06:37 PM

MW

“ My memories of Gary go way back to when we were toddlers. We lived in Adrian in the early 1950's and would visit or be visited by Gary and Dennis often. My mom still tells the story of Gary getting ahold of a toy saw and trying to cut a leg off of the baby crib. And from there it just gets better. Tag team wrestling matches. Hockey in the backyard. Weight lifting, going to Wamplers lake. Going to the army surplus store. Watching a Disney movie at the Crowell. Mailing p&j sandwiches through the mail.....etc,etc. Gary had a great sense of humor, loved Superman comic books, Doc Savage novels, Mad Magazine, and books in general. What a great and fun guy I will remember, and always cherish the times we had.....Rest in Peace cuz. Mark Winters

Mark Winters - February 02, 2022 at 01:15 PM

BW

“ I remember all the summers we would trade brothers with our families and Gary and I and Mark and Dennis would spend a week at each others house. and have one heck of a GREAT time. Us boys looked forward to the Summer knowing we could spend time together. Gary and I would have such FUN times. Never did we really get into trouble but kinda close. Our parents never knew what we were up to. We just had a ton of fun. Especially when all 4 of us got together and went to the "Fair" We would find ways to get in free and stamp our own hands with the right date and the right color ink on the right hand we got really good at that.. Loved walking Downtown with Gary spending all day with less than a dollar in our pockets and just having fun. One of his favorite spots was a small Burger Ranch place that had real Greasy fries and we both loved them. I just loved spending especially the Summers with Gary. In the Winter we would have a Hockey Rink in our Front yard or Uncle Ed would have one in the back yard and all 4 of us Brothers would play Hockey. I really miss the "OLD DAYS" with Gary So sorry to hear he has left us.

Bruce Winters - February 01, 2022 at 05:50 PM

LS

Bruce he still has the stamp you guys used to get into the fair. Lori

lori suydam - February 02, 2022 at 07:42 PM

MH

“ *Lori and Family,*

I never had the pleasure and privilege to know you. I was a co-worker with Gary at MSU, and the maintenance crew around Holden Hall will never be the same without the likes of Gary. He was one of the kindest individuals that I have known and always had a smile, a funny tale, a life insight to share. One always felt good to be with Gary - "Lock" as we knew him then.

He was always so proud of his grandchildren. Since retirement, I had re-connected a bit with him on Facebook. He enjoyed coming to St. Joe and visiting our old Dimestore downtown, and hoped to have lunch with him when he returned this spring/summer.

May he rest in the peace of the Lord, and may you find solace in the wonderful life memories he has left behind.

*Peace,
Mike Hanley*

Mike Hanley - January 31, 2022 at 07:53 PM

LL

“ *So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. He and his family and our family grew up next door to each other on East Maumee st. What wonderful memories we made over all those years. Gary was always easy going and made sure everyone was included in all the crazy fun things we did. Everyone loved him. We are praying that comfort and peace will surround all of the family. Larry Libs*

Larry Libs - January 31, 2022 at 05:04 PM

BB

“ From 9/67 until 6/71 THE LOCK took care of me. Not only did he find us a house to live upon leaving the dorm, he also painted the outside in white and red stripes with pretty blue shutters sporting tiny white stars. We got on the local news. Also probably got on a police BOLO list. 6/71 he walked me down the aisle and gave me to Carol. She takes care of me now.

We've lost one of the great philosophers of our generation.

Everybody deserves to have a YOU as their best friend.

Thanks

Bruce the Best - January 31, 2022 at 04:57 PM

RH

“ *My condolences to Gary's family. He was a great guy to work and share laughs with.*

Rich Halliwill - January 31, 2022 at 04:31 PM