



Gary Martin Maize

October 3, 1951 - June 25, 2019

Gary Martin Maize was born in Oklahoma City, October 3, 1951. He passed from this life on June 25, 2019, from his home in Briggs, Oklahoma at the age of 67.

Gary was a 1969 graduate of Putnam High School. He was one of a kind. He had a genuine and kind soul. His ability to make others laugh was unsurpassed. Gary traveled to all 48 adjoining U.S. states and had a detailed recollection of every place he visited. Gary was an amazing husband, father, step father, grandfather, brother, son, uncle, and friend, who always wanted to help make life better for those he loved. He loved deeply and lived to help others. Gary was renowned among friends and family for his brilliant storytelling ability. Seeing the good in others was one of his greatest gifts. Gary gave selflessly and often to his own detriment in his endeavor to improve the lives of his loved ones.

Gary was a retired self-employed construction contractor who had worked in that industry for over thirty years and learned how to be a successful business man from his uncle Bill Woolum.

Gary enjoyed raising various types of birds, most recently racing pigeons, writing poetry, reading, watching boxing and college football. After his son's death in 2000, he continued raising his son's small herd of cattle on the family farm. On the day of his death he spent the morning repairing a spring at the family farm and tending those cattle.

Gary would often remind those going through difficult times to remember that no matter what "Life is beautiful". One of his favorite quotes was "To the world you may be one person; but to one person you may be the world."

Gary was preceded in death by his father, Jessie N. Maize in 2004, his mother Mary Jane Woolum Maize in 2003; and his son Jessie D. Maize in 2000.

He is survived by his wife Roberta Studie-Maize of the home in Briggs; three step children, Bailie Studie, Ricky Studie, and Saiane Studie; daughter, Amber Margarit and husband

Anthony of Tahlequah; grandchildren, Austin Maize of Bentonville, Arkansas, and Avery Maize of Norman, Oklahoma; a great-granddaughter, Atlanta Siegel of Tahlequah, Oklahoma; the mother of his children, Patti Holderby Tate; as well as many other friends.

Gary will not be defined by his death. His memory will live on through his stories, advice, and life lessons he shared with all who knew him.

No services are planned, Gary's wishes will be honored and he will be cremated and his ashes spread where he requested. If you would like to share a story or life lesson learned from Gary for the family to cherish please submit an email to garymaizememories@gmail.com

Comments



“ Barb lit a candle in memory of Gary Martin Maize



Barb - August 19, 2019 at 05:29 AM



“ He was truly a good hearted person. He was always very thoughtful, and loved his family so much. He will be missed greatly. Love you Gary! I will always remember that deep voice.
XOXO

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“ That is a wonderful obituary for a man that had a heart of gold. The world is a worse place, not having Gary Maize in it. He was one of my closest friends, and I will sorely miss him.

Lori Darling - July 04, 2019 at 10:59 AM