



Gary M. Turner

November 19, 1959 - March 13, 2022

Gary Michael Turner, 62, passed away suddenly on Sunday, March 13, 2022. A lifelong Springfield resident, he was born on November 19, 1959, a son of Beatrice (Hebert) Turner and the late Charles Turner. He leaves behind his beloved wife Katherine Lovell, wife for 19 years and his partner for 32 years. He also leaves a beautiful, loved daughter, Jennifer Stuart and his grandchild Kayden Stuart-Ramachandran of Gainesville, FL. He is also now parted from his sisters: Sharon Gaudet of Webster, MA, Cindy Douglass of Alabama and brother Paul Harbour of Russell, MA. He also leaves behind his nephews, Michael Leary and Charles Gaudet of CT and numerous cousins and aunts from his mother's large extended family, Michael Kane and Scott Kane of Boston, his aunt Julie Noonan of Chicopee, MA among others.

Family was extremely important to Gary and he was proud of his roots both in Tennessee and Fairfax, VT. Gary was a very gregarious guy. At his job as a salesman for 20 years at Comcast, he was known to be able to sell ice to eskimos. He won three cruises while there due to his enormous talent. He served in the Army Reserves for over 20 years and had just retired a year ago. He loved playing army and leading drills. He was known as a solid team leader, but also a prankster who loved to tease. His other great love was ice hockey. From an early age playing in the streets, he graduated to playing in at least four ice hockey leagues in Springfield, Holyoke, Enfield, CT and Brattleboro, VT. He attended many challenge cup events at Lake Placid, NY and two weeks a year he would go for professionally supervised training and

playing in tournaments where he won many medals. He will be missed very much by all who knew him. Rest in peace Gary. We love you.

Friends and family are invited to gather Friday, March 18, 2022 at 9AM at New England Funeral & Cremation Center, LLC, 25 Mill Street, Springfield, MA and process to the Massachusetts Veterans' Memorial Cemetery for a committal service with full Military Honors.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, March 19, 2022 at 11AM at Trinity United Methodist Church, 365 Sumner Avenue, Springfield. Reception to follow. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to defray the cost of the burial.

Please visit Gary's memorial page at www.nefcc.net for expressions of sympathy.

To send a flower arrangement or to plant trees in memory of Gary M. Turner.

Tribute Wall

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“ Sorry to hear of Gary’s passing. He was a good man. Who loved his wife and family and loved to talk about them.

Mary K DiDomenico - February 14, 2023 at 09:56 AM

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“ Gary was a great sergeant in our unit, A Company 3/35th and personal friend. I was the executive officer for the unit and a platoon leader so I had worked with Gary on several weekend drills and annual trainings. He was a wonderful, caring, and intense soldier. He will be truly missed. Our family’s thoughts, prayers, and sadness for your family’s loss. His memory should bring smiles and good deeds. May God bless you and watch over Gary until we meet again in the resurrection.

Thomas Ceniglio - February 14, 2023 at 09:56 AM