



Gary Lee Householder

October 7, 1968 - September 26, 2025

Gary Lee Householder

Age 57

Of Bangor

Passed away unexpectedly Friday, September 26, 2025 at his home. Gary was born October 7, 1968 in Alexandria, Louisiana, the son of Floyd and Patty (Barnhart) Householder, and has lived in the Bangor area the majority of his life. Gary was a longtime employee of Hardings in Bangor where he was the front end supervisor. Those who knew Gary will remember him for striking up a conversation with any given stranger and turning them into a friend. He was a family man and loved spending time with his family, including all that called him Uncle Gary. Surviving are his wife, Sandra Lee Householder whom he married June 15, 1991; a daughter, Hannah Householder of Holland; father, Floyd Householder; mother, Patty Cross; 3 brothers, Tim Householder, Nick (Cricket) Householder, Robert Householder; 3 sisters, Peggy Cross, Kim Whitehouse, Heather Householder; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his stepfather, Joe Cross; stepmother, Mickey Householder; birth father, Jerry Lee Hensley; and sister, Dana Berry. The family will meet family and friends 3-5 PM Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at the Bangor Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home where the memorial service will be 5:00 PM. The family suggests memorials to the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Cremation

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 1. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Bangor Chapel
258 West Monroe Street
Bangor, MI

Memorial Service

OCT 1. 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ I was a meat cutter at Hardings for 21 years, I would come to Bangor to help out when needed. Gary was a good guy, quite the talker but hilarious. My condolences to his family.

Robert Stuart - March 31 at 07:06 PM

SH

“ I only saw him at tax time but I loved Gary. I am sorry for your loss. He will be missed greatly!

Shane - March 26 at 11:41 AM

CJ

“ Cory Jones lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Cory Jones - March 19 at 11:31 AM

JB

“ 2/19/26 I just went to make my H&R Block appointment as I do every year. For over 20 years Gary has been doing our family's taxes. We always requested Gary. I was shocked to hear of his death. Gary was such a wonderful person. He was always interested in our family and how it changed every year; kids growing up, college, jobs and families. He shared news about his family and you could tell how proud he was of his daughter and his wife's activities. To his family, I'm so sorry for your loss. He will be remembered. Joan & Carl Baker

Joan Baker - February 19 at 10:37 AM

DL

“ Denese Lewis lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Denese Lewis - October 19, 2025 at 08:37 PM

SJ

“ SHARON JOHNSON lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



SHARON JOHNSON - October 11, 2025 at 05:22 PM

BC

“ Brent & Phyllis Centers lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Brent & Phyllis Centers - October 11, 2025 at 02:03 PM



“ I went to school with Gary. Saw him in Hardings often. He was always friendly. Prayers to his family.

Tammy Lamp - October 01, 2025 at 03:50 PM

CR

Heaven gained a great guy. I worked with Gary at Hartford Hardings years ago. Good times, RIP Gary.

Chris Roush - October 02, 2025 at 04:18 PM

DS

“ Donna Struble lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Donna Struble - October 01, 2025 at 03:49 PM

PH

“ Gary was the bright spot in your day every time you saw him at Hardings. Always full of smiles and kind words. Our whole community will miss seeing him there! Our hearts go out to his wife, daughter, family and friends. We pray that God will bless you all and fill you with His strength and peace at this difficult time. With our deepest sympathy, Ron & Pat Henry

Pat & Ron Henry - October 01, 2025 at 03:43 PM

LF

“ Gary was always a bright spot in the day when I would see him at Hardings. Blessed to have called him a friend all these years. You will be missed.



Leah Balfour Fall - October 01, 2025 at 12:22 PM

DB

“ You will be missed at Hardings. You were always pleasant to talk with and never in a bad mood. You kept the store running.



David Bournay - September 30, 2025 at 10:11 PM

CA

“ We will miss seeing you at Harding's with your Awesome Smile, Kindness, & Friendship you gave your customers. RIP Gary, Thoughts & Prayers to ALL of your family. ❤️

Carma - September 30, 2025 at 05:58 PM

DB

“ Duck & Linda Beckwith lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Duck & Linda Beckwith - September 30, 2025 at 03:05 PM



“ Such a kind and loving person. You were a wonderful step brother and you will definitely be missed.



Renea Immoos - September 30, 2025 at 02:47 PM

PV

“ Paul Valentine lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Paul Valentine - September 30, 2025 at 11:15 AM

CC

“ Chris And Laura Crandall lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Chris and Laura Crandall - September 30, 2025 at 08:36 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Gary Lee Householder.



September 30, 2025 at 07:02 AM

DS

“ Dana Stone lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Dana Stone - September 30, 2025 at 06:42 AM

SS

“ Uncle Gary Your light may have left this world, but it will never leave our memories. The pain of losing you is immeasurable, but so is the love you left behind. In the blink of an eye, you were gone, but your impact will last a lifetime. Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure, and you are loved beyond words, the beautiful memories you gave us will last forever within all of us! I will never forget all the times you were there for me and my children! Love always and forever!



Stacy Shine, Hayden Cole, Payton Cole

Stacy Shine - September 29, 2025 at 02:10 PM



Sorry for your loss and sending prayers 🙏

Donald Ford - September 29, 2025 at 11:47 PM

JK

“ Janet Knips lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Janet Knips - September 29, 2025 at 01:26 PM

NC

“ Nancy Cordero lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Nancy Cordero - September 29, 2025 at 12:35 PM

NT

“ Nikki & Jeff Taylor lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



Nikki & Jeff Taylor - September 29, 2025 at 09:37 AM

LF

“ *What a shock. Our hearts go out to Sandra and Hannah. Our thoughts and prayers are with the whole family. We will miss every week his smiling face and easy manner at Hardings. Dan and Lynne Farmer*

Lynne Farmer - September 29, 2025 at 09:09 AM

RC

I worked with Gary at H & R Block and seen him at Harding's too. He was such a kind caring soul. My prayers are with his family. Rhonda Collins

Rhonda Collins - October 12, 2025 at 08:39 PM

JK

“ *Went to high school with him. One of the people that definitely made it a pleasant experience. Will miss you.*

Janice Knabel - September 29, 2025 at 03:13 AM

CD

“ *Gary was a very friendly and nice person. He was a joy to work with at Hardings.*

Carole Dudley - September 28, 2025 at 09:50 PM

SC

“ *Uncle Gary will always be the kindest, most joyful person I've ever known. My fondest memories of him will forever be a source of comfort. Whenever his smile lit up a room, it had a way of making all the day's troubles disappear. That light has not gone out, but has instead become a memory we will hold dear. We will miss you terribly.*



Shelly Clemons - September 28, 2025 at 09:36 PM

DH

“ *There was a great guy he would always put a smile on your face if you had a bad day he could cheer you up I will miss him very much*

Denis Hall - September 28, 2025 at 08:59 PM



“ *you will always be remembered, so sad and sorry for the family.*

Casey Eldridge - September 28, 2025 at 08:02 PM

JW

“ *Judy And Mike Wells lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder*



judy and mike wells - September 28, 2025 at 04:49 PM

Richie Newberry

“ *We will remember him most fondly.*



Richie Newberry - September 28, 2025 at 04:47 PM

LH

“ *Leisa And Les Hankins lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder*



Leisa and Les Hankins - September 28, 2025 at 04:00 PM

KG

“ *So sad to hear this. I graduated with Gary, truly one of the nicest guys you could ever meet. Gary would always take the time to stop and say hi and ask how I was doing, whenever I would run into him at Harding's. Sending prayers for Sandy and the rest of his family.*

Kathy Goodson - September 28, 2025 at 01:14 PM

MB

“ *Maggie Brooks lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder*



Maggie Brooks - September 28, 2025 at 12:24 PM

ST

“ I worked with Gary at Harding's for over 30 years. First he was meat manager, then he was moved to the service manager running the front end of the store. We spent many hours together working. Gary LOVED to talk and to meet new people. Gary loved his family, especially his wife and daughter. Never heard him say a unkind word about either of them. He was so proud of Hannah. All you had to say was ,How's Hannah? - his face lit up and he was off to the races telling you all about his daughter!!! I will certainly miss you Gary. May you rest comfortable in God's hands.

Sue Titman - September 28, 2025 at 11:59 AM

DS

“ So sorry to hear this. I remember seeing Gary many Sun mornings at Hardings. Such a nice fellow. Praying for the family.

Daniel Stout - September 28, 2025 at 09:49 AM

CG

“ Carla Gray lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder



carla gray - September 28, 2025 at 09:34 AM

AC

“ I worked with Gary at Harding's. He always made me laugh with his smart comments he would make. I am very sorry for his daughter, wife, and families loss. He will be missed dearly. ❤️



Ashley Carrington - September 28, 2025 at 12:05 AM

JW

I'm very sorry for your loss
I only knew him from the store but he was very polite and helpful
Rest in peace with the Lord
He will be missed

Jill whaley - September 28, 2025 at 01:59 PM

KM

“ *Uncle Gary, you will be deeply missed. Your big smile, kind heart, and wonderful sense of humor brought so much joy to everyone around you. We will carry your love and laughter with us always.*

Kim Markovich - September 27, 2025 at 11:34 PM

KF

“ *Such a kind hearted person he will be missed*

Kimberly frye - September 27, 2025 at 10:58 PM



“ *Ariel Wescott lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder*



Ariel Wescott - September 27, 2025 at 07:11 PM

MC

“ *Gary and I went to school together, in 8th grade his older brother took us to see a monster truck show in Kalamazoo, he was always joking, laughing and having fun. I considered us good friends, always caught up at Hardings, lol His hard work, giving spirit and wonderful personality will be missed by all the knew him. Rest in heaven Gary, until we see you again.*



Melissa Clayton - September 27, 2025 at 06:46 PM

MK

“ *Monica Koblinski lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Householder*



Monica Koblinski - September 27, 2025 at 06:44 PM

NW

“ It has been a privilege to work with him at H&R Block for the past 24 years. He was a bright spot in the day with his quick wit and funny quips. I could always count on him to take on extra clients when we were busy or to help out with new people. He was always the epitome of what a family represented. He always talked about his family with love and caring. He was so proud of you Hannah. We would get updates on how you were doing in school and how many more credits you needed to complete your degree. We will miss him.

Nancy Woods - September 27, 2025 at 06:20 PM

TA

“ Gary you will be missed dearly by your HRB family you always kept me on my toes. Your favorite saying "I love my job" but I knew you were being a smarty pants



Theresa Attwood - September 27, 2025 at 05:28 PM

DF

“ Gary was the best person in Harding's he would give his shirt off his back



David @ Amanda Freislinger - September 27, 2025 at 05:28 PM

HH

“ I love and miss you so much daddy.



Hannah Householder - September 27, 2025 at 05:14 PM

TF

“ *The Cordero family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Gary Lee Householder.* ”



The Cordero family - September 27, 2025 at 04:49 PM