



Marvin Gay

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Marvin J. Gay
1942-2021

Marvin Joseph Gay, beloved husband, father, brother, grandfather, and dear friend to many passed away on November 7, 2021, with his wife at his side. He was just one week shy of his 79th birthday. Marvin was born in Little Rock, Arkansas on November 13, 1942. During his youth, he was an Eagle Scout and earned the Pro Deo et Patria award (For God and Country). He was selected to go to Boys State. He graduated from Little Rock Central High School in 1960 where history was made as schools shut down for a year due to the integration of the schools in Little Rock. He attended the University of Mississippi on a Naval ROTC scholarship. Upon graduation in 1964, he began his service to his country as a Lieutenant aboard ships during the Viet Nam War era. While stationed in Hawaii he met and married his first wife, Roselyn Thompson. After discharge from the Navy, they moved to New Orleans, LA, where he started his C.P.A. career with Arthur Anderson. Later, he was CFO for an oil and gas exploration company in New Orleans. He and "Ro" raised two children and were married 36 years until her death in 2004. In 2006, he married Leslie Wilson Royal and they moved to St Petersburg, FL in 2009 to be closer to family and sunsets on the beaches. They opened a business called Painting With A Twist together and have been successfully operating that for 12 years.

Marvin is best known for his infectious laughter, never knowing a stranger, and his dedication and love for his family. His spiritual gifts were serving, caring, supporting, and he was a great listener and very perceptive of people. He was a man of integrity and humility. He was a tireless volunteer at the churches for which he was a member. He was a member of the Kiwanis Clubs in New Orleans, LA and St Petersburg, FL. He was gracious, not to be confused with graceful. He loved playing tennis at Aurora Country Club in New Orleans, where he served as Treasurer and President. He loved



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coaching and watching his children and grandchildren play sports. He was an avid football fan, especially cheering for the New Orleans Saints.

Marvin was preceded in death by his parents, O.C. “Buster” and Allene Gay, a brother, Richard Gay and his first wife, Roselyn Gay as well as his canine companions Nugget, Ebony, and Grady.

He is survived by his wife Leslie, daughter, Ashley (Scott) Hardy of St Petersburg, son, Stuart (Kristin) Gay of New Orleans, LA, stepson, Jason Powers of Lafayette, LA, brother, Robert (Peggy) Gay of Little Rock, AR, grandchildren, Spencer and Madelyn Davis, Hunter Stelly, and his canine companion Brizzy.

Visitation will be held from 9:00-9:30 am followed by services at 9:30 am on Saturday, November 20, 2021, at Lutheran Church of the Cross, 4545 Chancellor St. NE, St Petersburg, FL 33703. In lieu of flowers, consider donating in his name to Ready for Life in Largo, FL or Southeastern Guide Dogs of Palmetto, FL.



Events


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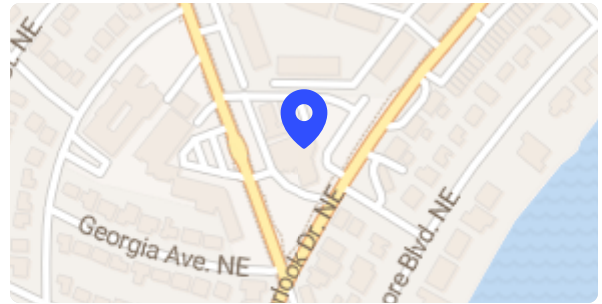
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Visitation

 **Saturday**, November 20, 2021

 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM ET


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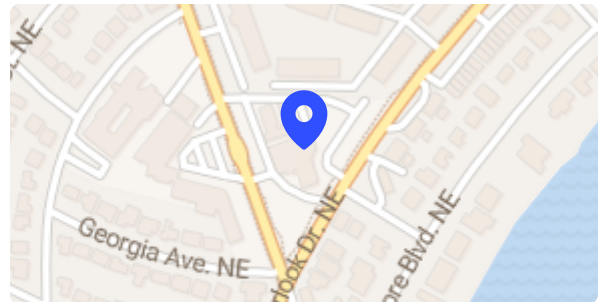


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Memorial Park Funeral Home shared a **Webcast Video**.



November 16 at 12:19 PM



W H Mcintyre Jr posted:

Marvin was a great friend. We started together at Andersen. We were close because we were the only rookies for a couple of years in consulting and because Marvin was such a great teammate to have. As Marvin moved on to his next career step, my next nine years of work took me out of town. Our contact was less. Stuart Gay's comments brought alive how much fun it was to be around Marvin. Bill McIntyre

December 16 at 8:27 PM



Diane C Johnson lit a candle in honor of Marvin.



November 20 at 7:30 PM



Your Painting With A Twist Family sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Gay family.



November 19 at 7:37 AM



St Petersburg Primary Staff sent a Delightful Dieffenbachia to the Gay family.



November 19 at 6:12 AM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Gay family.



November 19 at 6:08 AM



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Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Gay family.



November 18 at 9:48 PM



Pamela Rogers posted:

I was saddened to hear of Marvin's passing. I had the pleasure working with and for Marvin from 1974-1983. My deepest sympathy to his entire family. Pamela West Rogers

November 18 at 2:07 PM



Denis Condon posted:

Leslie---Stuart, so sorry hear about Marvin a friend indeed. My prayers are with you & family. God bless!! Denis Condon USN Retired Associate Broker Latter & Blum

November 18 at 7:24 AM



Judy Toup posted:

I was so sad to learn that Marvin had passed away. My five years at Forman Petroleum were some of the best years of my administrative career, and, that is largely due to having had Marvin as my boss. He was a very kind and caring man, one who took pride in his work and, most of all, in his family. Please accept my sincerest and heartfelt condolences, Judy Toups

November 18 at 2:38 AM



Jacki Frain posted:

To Stuart Our sympathies and prayers are with you and your family. Dan and Jacki Frain (Ryan's Uncle and Aunt)

November 17 at 7:56 AM



Anonymous sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Gay family.



November 16 at 7:12 PM



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PB

Pam Brown posted:

I am so saddened to hear this. I loved working at PWAT in Tampa when he was the owner. He was a very nice man. I am so glad I got the chance to know him. Loved his smile. So very sorry for your loss Leslie. Pam Brown

November 16 at 12:19 PM

AI

Andrea lafrate sent an Arrive in Style to the Gay family.



November 16 at 10:47 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Gay family.



November 16 at 10:28 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Gay family.



November 16 at 9:59 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Gay family.



November 16 at 8:47 AM

GD

Gayla Davis posted:

Marvin was a true gentleman. His smile & laughter was there for all of us. I am grateful to have known this wonderful man.

November 16 at 8:37 AM



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Marvin by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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