



## Gary Reuben Dahlberg

May 25, 1947 - May 10, 2021

Gary Reuben Dahlberg passed away May 10, 2021 at home in hospice care with his family by his side. He had resided in Calimesa for 29 years. Gary was the beloved husband of Joy and devoted father of Thomas, Eric, Gregory, Mark, Jillian, Jonathan. Gary was born on May 25, 1947 in Mankato, Minnesota to Reuben and Mildred Dahlberg. He attended the University of Minnesota, interrupting his education to join the Navy in 1967. His naval education included photography, allowing him the privilege of photographing life aboard the USS Ranger and the Bon Homme Richard aircraft carriers. After discharge in 1970, he resumed his education at Mankato State University. After graduating, he received a Master of Divinity degree at Fuller Seminary in Pasadena. Gary was a devout Christian and an active member of Trinity Church in Redlands for many years. He loved serving in the children's ministry with his wife. By attending home bible study group, he could share his love and knowledge of the bible; continuing to learn and make lasting friendships. Hardworking and dependable, Gary's life long career in sales began at Spakletts Water Company then to self employment with Mac tools and Snap-on tools. His clients could count on his honesty and a good deal every time. He was a faithful, loving husband of 42 years and an amazing dad. Being involved in his children's education and pursuits, from coaching his son's little league teams in Yucaipa, cheering soccer games, attending piano recitals, to nurturing his daughter's love of friends and animals, this gave him a full and abundant life.

In his retirement years he devoted himself to his adoring grandkids. Gary's loving and easy going disposition, fun sense of humor, and contagious laugh will be dearly missed by all his family and friends. Gary was preceded in death by his parents Reuben and Mildred Dahlberg. He is survived by his wife Joy, his children Thomas(Erika), Eric, Gregory, Mark(Alyssa), Jillian and Jonathan, Grandchildren Grace, Christopher, Taylor(Robert), Joshua, Grace Destiny, great grandchildren Zachary and Kaylee. His brother Lester(Dawn) of Minnesota and sister Bette(Wayne) Durst of Missouri, many in-laws, cousin, nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Trinity Evangelical Church/[trinityonline.org](http://trinityonline.org)



# Comments

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“ My deepest condolences. I appreciate having the opportunity to have know Gary. He had such a great sense of humor and always made me feel welcome while growing up as a teenager as great friends with all the brothers. My prayers are with you family and friends. - Jacob



Jacob Gonzalez - May 28 at 02:24 PM

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“ Heather C Stevning lit a candle in memory of Gary Reuben Dahlberg



Heather C Stevning - May 27 at 04:23 PM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gary Reuben Dahlberg.



May 24 at 10:43 AM

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“ Gary was a Navy man and proud of it. Not much for telling war stories he let it talk for itself. But he was a man's man.  
I am going to miss him.

**Harry Adams** - May 23 at 06:26 PM

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“ Thomas & Erika Dahlberg, and Family. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Gary Reuben Dahlberg.



**Thomas & Erika Dahlberg, and Family.** - May 23 at 04:33 PM