



Mr. Gary A. Gattuso

January 16, 1947 - March 24, 2015

Mr. Gary A. Gattuso, 68, of 66 Spring St. Adams, died Tuesday afternoon, March 24, 2015, at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield.

He was born in North Adams on January 16, 1947, a son of the late Anthony and Marie Louise (Lefebvre) Gattuso. He attended North Adams schools, was a Patrol Leader for Boy Scout Troop # 63 at St. Francis Parish, and graduated from Drury High School.

Gary went on active duty with the US Navy, serving aboard the heavy missile cruiser USS ALBANY (CG 10) as a Boatswain Mate 3rd Class and was a "plank owner" when he was on the recommissioning crew in Boston Harbor in the Fall of 1968. On July 4, 1969, while on watch on the Quarterdeck, he met and talked with Col. John Glenn, the astronaut. He was awarded the Navy Good Conduct Medal, and the National Defense, Vietnam Service, Vietnam Campaign and Cold War Medals.

Upon completion of his tour of duty, he worked in the Power Transformer division of General Electric Co. in Pittsfield for 23 years, mainly as a finish spray painter, crane operator and assembler, until the plant closed. He then held several other jobs in the area until his retirement.

He was a communicant of the Parish of St. John Paul II, Adams. He was a longtime member of Adams Post 160 American Legion, where he served as Post Historian since 1995 and was a member of the Firing Squad and Color Guard. He was also a member of the USS Albany Association.

He enjoyed writing short stories and poetry, fishing, camping and deer hunting

("The safest place for a deer to be during deer season is where I was hunting"). He was an avid reader, and was a "student" of ancient Egyptian and Roman history. He especially enjoyed time spent with his grandchildren. He is survived by his wife, the former Kay E. White, whom he married on October 5, 1974;

a daughter, Melissa Gattuso and her fiancée, Brian Gajda, of Adams;
a son, Christopher Gattuso and his fiancée, Amber Bristol, of Adams;
5 Grandchildren, Connor and Alayna Gattuso-Gajda; and Justyn, Ethan and Dylan Gattuso;

a brother, Anthony Gattuso, Jr. of Pittsfield;

a sister, Barbara Serre of North Adams, as well as several nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews and cousins, most notably his first cousin, film actor Frank Vincent.

Funeral services and burial with military honors in Southview Cemetery, North Adams, will be held at a date to be announced later in Spring.

There are no calling hours.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society Relay for Life- Connor's Crew , 15 Bieniek Ave. Adams, MA 01220; or online at RelayForLife.org

The PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St. Adams, is in charge of arrangements.

To leave a message of condolence, please go online to www.paciorekfuneral.com

Tribute Wall

CC

“ *To the Gattuso family: All of us at CRT Cabulance send our sincere condolences. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult.*

CRT Cabulance - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

HG

“ *To the Gattuso family. Please except our deepest and sincere condolences for your loss. Prayers go out to you. Missy, this is from Dennis Golinsky and I both. Love and prayers.*

Hazel Goodsill - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

PC

“ *I am so very sorry over your loss. My prayers are with you at this most difficult time. He will be watching over all of you.*

Pat Callander - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

NF

“ *So sorry on the loss of Gary, My condolence to all the family.*

Norm Fierro - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

KC

“ *Kay, Missy and Chris....we are so sorry for your loss. ...keeping everyone in our prayers and thoughts. . .Love, Kelly Kendra Brittany and Karlee*

Kelly Cross - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

MT

“ Judy, Zachary and I extend our condolences to you, Amber and family on the loss of your father. Especially liked His comment on deer hunting. Hope all is well with you guys, not seeing you both since bowling days. Be strong-feel loved.

Marshall Taylor - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

JM

“ Dear Kay and Family,
Words can't express how sad I feel for you all in this time of sadness.
Gary was a special cousin and always made us laugh with his funny stories!
My thoughts and prayers are with you in the days to come.
Love you all,
Cousin Judy

Judy McCauley - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

CD

“ Kay and Melissa so very sorry for your loss my thoughts and prayers are with you both Love you both Carol

Carol Daignault - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

JA

“ Chris and family sorry for your loss my prayers are with u and your family

joseph alves - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM



“ May Gary be at peace, and I hope happy memories are with you always.

June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

GM

“ Dear Tony, So sorry to hear of your loss. We will keep your brother in our prayers. Judy and Graham

graham muldowney - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

AK

“ Dear Kay, Missy & Chris: We are very sorry to hear about your dad passing. Always treasure the great and Keep the Strength... May God Bless you all. Your friends, Anita Greg and Michelle

Anita Kochanski - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

AJ

“ Kay, missy, and Chris..there are no words that I can say. Gary was a good friend to both Dave and I. He was always there whenever we needed him. He was just that kind of guy. He will be sadly missed. It won't be the same going to visit and not having him sitting on his computer in the living room. Although it's sad, he is in a much better place and no longer suffering with any illnesses. May you all have peace knowing he no longer is suffering. love you all you are all just like family.

ann jones - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM

TF

“ Kay, Missy and Chris: So sorry for your loss. Heaven will have a happier shine today and certainly many new laughs. I am so happy that Gary will now have the peace from illness that he so deserved. I will miss him so much. Cousin Tom

TOM FERRARA - June 07, 2018 at 12:00 PM