



Gary D. Zastrow

January 10, 1944 - March 2, 2026

Gary Dean Zastrow, age 82 of Lake, passed away peacefully on Monday, March 2, 2026 at the McLaren Bay Region Hospital of Bay City with his family by his side. On January 10, 1944, Gary was born the son of Alfred H. and Shirley J. (Cobleigh) Zastrow in Clare. Gary was a lifelong resident of Central Michigan, and a member of the Clare High School Class of 1962. Shortly after graduating, Gary proudly served in the United States Army during the Vietnam Era. Upon returning from his service, Gary began managing and working for the local Gulf gas stations and later started a career at Evert Products that would last for thirty years until his retirement in 2003. During the years working for Gulf, he met and fell in love with Arma Quigley. The pair was united in marriage in Harrison on August 10, 1974, and together they enjoyed fifty-one years together. When Gary wasn't working, he could usually be found doing one of two things, enjoying the outdoors either hunting or fishing, or watching one of his favorite law enforcement shows, and he was also a very active member and Deacon of the Christ Community Church of Lake. In his younger years he also enjoyed bowling and traveling and camping out West and in Northern Michigan.

Gary is survived by his loving wife Arma Zastrow and his son Kyle and wife Christina Zastrow, both of whom reside in Lake. Other survivors include his grandchildren Brandon Davis of Big Rapids and Nicholas Crawford of Lake, his sister Loree Recker of Harrison, and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents Alfred and Shirley Zastrow.

In keeping with Gary's wishes, cremation has taken place. A memorial service in Gary's honor will be held on Saturday, May 30, 2026 at 1 P.M. at the Christ Community Church in Lake with Pastor Gene Hockey officiating. A graveside committal service will also be held with military honors at the Cherry Grove Cemetery of Clare in the fall of 2026 where Gary will be laid to rest alongside his parents. Memorial contributions in honor of Gary may be directed to the Christ Community Church Building Fund. Online condolences may be shared at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

Cherry Grove Cemetery

1000 Cedar St.
Clare, MI 48617

Upcoming Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 30. 1:00 PM (ET)

Christ Community Church
10232 Lake Station Avenue
Lake, MI 48632

Tribute Wall

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“ *God Bless You Gary! May heaven have an ‘Up North’ for you to drive some ‘Non Fords’ 1960’s & 70’s Muscle Cars and maybe a couple of Tanks!*

Lyle Quigley - May 13 at 05:22 PM

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“ *We were Blessed to get to know Gary while we attended Christ Community Church together. He always greeted us every Sunday at the Door of the Church with a huge smile, hand shake and a hug. His friendship and presence is missed, but we rejoice in the fact that he was a Christian and is now in Heaven with Jesus! Arma, Kyle, Chrissy and his family you are in our thoughts and Prayers during this time 🙏 Brian & Susan Langley*

Brian & Susan Langley - March 09 at 06:10 PM