

GARY

A portrait of Gary Hudgins, an older man with glasses and a mustache, wearing a suit and tie. The background of the portrait is a dark, textured grey.

THURSDAY,
APRIL 29, 2021

9:30 AM

GEORGIA NATIONAL
CEMETERY
1080 SCOTT HUDGENS
DRIVE
CANTON, GA

HUDGINS

1948-2021
FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

OBITUARY

MR. GARY LEE HUDGINS

SUNRISE: MARCH 21, 1948

SUNSET: APRIL 7, 2021

Gary Lee Hudgins was born on March 21, 1948, in Port Chester, New York. He was the fifth of ten children born to the late George L. and Susie Hudgins. Gary is preceded in death by two brothers, George Lewis Hudgins, III, Glenn Edward Hudgins, and two sisters, Ruth Ann Hudgins Beverly, and Linda Hudgins Burton.

Growing up in the small town of Swainton, NJ, Gary was nurtured by his family and community. Among his favorite childhood stories was building and racing go-karts with the other “Swainton Boys”, and spending time with Keith Lively tooling around in the garage with Keith’s grandfather, fondly called Uncle Billy. In his formative years, Gary was a member of John Wesley Methodist Church. He excelled in athletics playing baseball, football, and basketball in middle and high school years. After high school, Gary joined the military and achieved the rank of SP5 in the Army before his Honorable Discharge in 1973. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War. Returning home from

Vietnam, Gary settled in Atlanta and joined the police force at Georgia Institute of Technology where he retired after thirty years of service as a Lieutenant. One of his passions was bowling and he was a longtime member of a bowling league participating in tournaments around the country. His other passion was researching ancestry where he succeeded in tracing the Hudgins family roots back to the early 18th century.

Gary is survived by his loving and devoted wife of thirty-five years, Mrs. Jean Hodge Hudgins, two sons, Gary Lee, Jr. (Anna Hudgins) and Brad Hondo Alston (Debra Alston); grandchildren, Alva and Leo; and many nieces and nephews. He will also be lovingly remembered by his brothers, Gale Hudgins and Gregory Hudgins; sisters, Michele Hudgins Ozumba, Deborah Hudgins Jeff, and Karen Hudgins; “brothers”, Jerome Price (Kathy), Solomon Brown (Pat), and James Thomas (Teresa), and a host of in-laws, cousins, and close friends.



A FALLEN LIMB

A LIMB HAS FALLEN
FROM THE FAMILY TREE

I HEAR A VOICE THAT
WHISPERS, ‘GRIEVE NOT
FOR ME’

REMEMBER THE BEST
TIMES, THE LAUGHTER,
THE SONGS

THE GOOD I LIVED
WHILE I WAS STRONG

CONTINUE MY HERITAGE,
I’M COUNTING ON YOU

KEEP ON SMILING,
THE SUN WILL SHINE
THROUGH.

MY MIND IS AT EASE, MY
SOUL IS AT REST

REMEMBERING ALL...
HOW I WAS TRULY
BLESSED

CONTINUE TRADITIONS,
NO MATTER HOW SMALL
GO ON WITH YOUR LIVES,
DON’T STARE AT THE
WALL

I MISS YOU ALL DEARLY
SO KEEP UP YOUR CHIN
UNTIL THAT FINE DAY
WE’RE TOGETHER AGAIN.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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Prelude Soft Music

Processional Family

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament..... Bettye McTier

New Testament..... Deborah Hudgins Jeff

Prayer of Comfort Gregory Hudgins

Musical Selection.....

Obituary..... Read Silently

Reflections

{ LIMIT 2 MIN., PLEASE }

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Prayer Jerome Price

Recessional.....

Postlude

PSALM 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

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Acknowledgements

THE FAMILY OF THE LATE

Gary Lee Hudgins

wishes to express sincere gratitude and appreciation for your many acts of kindness, prayers, expressions of love, and other thoughtful expressions imparted during our bereavement.

We are grateful to each of you. May God bless and keep each of you.

~ The Hudgins Family ~

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