



## Gary Thomas Farris

October 7, 1958 - April 4, 2015

Gary Thomas Farris, 56 of Centralia, formerly of Mt. Vernon, passed away Saturday, April 4, 2015. Gary was born October 7, 1958 in Mt. Vernon, son of Odie Farris, Jr. and Maxine (Chapman) Farris. He is survived by three brothers: Odie Farris, III of Mt. Vernon, Robert Farris of Mt. Vernon, and Michael Farris of Mt. Vernon; three sisters: Shirilyn Holt of Mt. Vernon, Brenda Collins of Freeport, IL and Colleene Farris of Colorado Springs, CO; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, aunts and uncles. Gary enjoyed dancing and watching movies on the T.V. Private Family Services will be held at a later date. Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia, is assisting the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

LR

“ You will be missed my friend. Your smiles and sweet nature. RIP

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**Lisa Redman** - April 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Rest in peace Gary, another of God's angles goes to heaven.Sue M.

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**Sue Malone** - April 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ To The Farris Family, I am so sorry to hear of Gary's Passing. May God bless each of you The Rice, Butler & Bell families from Springfield, IL

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**LAVERNE BUTLER** - April 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ You will be missed so much at home!

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**Darwin smith** - April 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I know you will see " my Dad" as you always talked about daily, you brought is much joy to my life and I dearly will miss you ...everything ...from your laugh, " yes sir" placing your hat under chair at neck times. Singing, cimmercuaqs u reoeated...those who u spike about daily. Such a beautiful smile and persinality...ill be missing you and you go win those Olympics and everytime u notice its 10 till 8 you know God rest your siuld ill be thinking of you.

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**jill mcintosh** - April 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM



*“ I enjoyed working with Gary and to know him personally. I remember how proud he was dressing up in a tie and suit for Halloween. Bill Irwin*

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April 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM



*“ I had the pleasure of working with Gary-- he is going to be missed by so many! I always loved how when he sat down to eat he always removed his hat-- such good manners!*

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**Kathleen Clark** - April 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM



*“ God Bless and may your family find comfort at this time. I remember Gary loved to watch wheel of fortune. Coleen do you remember we went to high school same time. Gary was a great guy.*

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**Dena Soler** - April 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM



*“ I worked with Gary for years. He used to come and sit in my office with me and tell me all sorts of stories--I had to listen carefully, but he could tell me most of what was happening on cottage. He enjoyed our Breakfast Club, and he got so excited about the travel group on Apple Cottage, especially Hawaii!*

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**Ruth Kent** - April 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ I've known Gary for around 30 years - back in the days when he'd watch the evening news with Roger Mudd and Bryant Gumbel was on the Today show. I am going to miss him. When he'd see me he'd greet me by name and ask me how I was doing. Then he'd put his arm around me as if he was protecting me. Gary was my buddy. I especially liked it when he'd get tickled about something and laugh. Gary loved to dress up nice with a shirt and tie and jacket if he had one. He thought he needed a briefcase and a phone to go to the office. He was a gentleman and when he had a ball cap on he always made sure to take it off at the table and put it under his chair until he left the dining room. Apple cottage won't be the same with Gary gone. Rest in peace.

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**Margie Barton** - April 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Gary was one of the happiest guy's I knew. He would always greet you with a "hello" when you walked onto the unit. He loved Christmas and loved tv. Especially commercials with a catchy tune. I will miss him greatly! Rip my friend! Paula Helm

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