



Gary Lee Bechtel

August 19, 1953 - July 8, 2023

Gary Lee Bechtel, 70 of White Settlement Texas passed away on Saturday, July 8, 2023 at John Peter Smith Hospital.

He was born on August 19, 1952 in South Bend, Indiana. Gary retired from American Airlines and he will be missed by co-workers and friends. He was the Son of the late Earl Bechtel (passed away in 2004) and Mary Smith Bechtel (passed away in 2020). His parents lived in Goshen Indiana. He was preceded in death by his brother of 15 years, Darryl Bechtel in 1967.

He is survived by his only grandson, Dajuan Casey Johnson in the USA Army, Stationed in South Korea; three brothers, Brian of Osceola, Indiana; Stuart of Gillette, Wyoming, and Steve of Whitesburg, Kentucky.

Tribute Wall



“ Gary Lee Bechtel

October 08, 2023 at 07:56 PM



“ My fondest memory with Gary was when I lived in Karen's Corner TX for about 6 months. I called him and told him where I was and a few days later, he made the bike trip to see me. We had such a great visit and so much fun. It was all about giggles and memories of the family. That connection continued at family reunions afterwards. We were very different people, but we were family. What else is there?

Diane - July 27, 2023 at 04:08 PM



“ I have known Gary for about 20 yrs, working with him at American Airlines. We would get together and play guitar on weekends and he was a good friend, he will be missed. He was an amazing person the world needs people like Gary. He only got to retire a few years before he was called to the great beyond, we should all try to retire earlier and enjoy our lives. Big love and hugs to all his family and let's remember him and keep him close to our minds and hearts, for he was an inspiration to us all sincerely Patrick Johnston

Patrick Johnston - July 23, 2023 at 06:21 PM



“ Gary, You will be missed by your AA family. you were a good man and a loyal friend. Rest in peace brother.

Ken McPherson - July 23, 2023 at 11:42 AM

AB

“ Always a story teller. He was never short on words and was always excited to share a good story. I remember him playing the guitar at our family reunions and singing goofy songs when I was young. I also remember some of our deeper conversations about life and faith. He will be missed.

Aaron J Bechtel - July 23, 2023 at 09:41 AM

BB

“ Gary
Big brother, guitarist, loved blues music, was raised on country n western. Mr. Rock n roll. Father, grandfather, great story teller, Harley Davidson memorialibilities, photographer, wolf owner, intrigued by falconry, fabulous wood carver, honest, devoted, hard working man. Loved his Betty Boop (his dog) , neighbors could always depend on him walking her usually hours a day. Sincere, and happy person. Would send his hair blades to locks of love on a regular basis. My lovely big brother. May you rest in peace. Truly gonna miss you brother. Love you

Brian Bechtel - brother - July 23, 2023 at 08:34 AM

RM

Good friend and coworker, we hired in together at American Airlines in 1989 went to training together worked out the ramp for many years together he was a great guy will miss you Gary 🙏❤️🙏

Rodney McCoy - July 23, 2023 at 12:24 PM

DN

“ Gary was our sweet neighbor and will be greatly missed! My family has been given the honor of welcoming Gary’s beloved little baby pup Betty into our home! Gary adored her and we are blessed to have her! Gary was a very kind and sweet soul! He will be greatly missed! Our thoughts and prayers continue at this difficult time for his dear family.

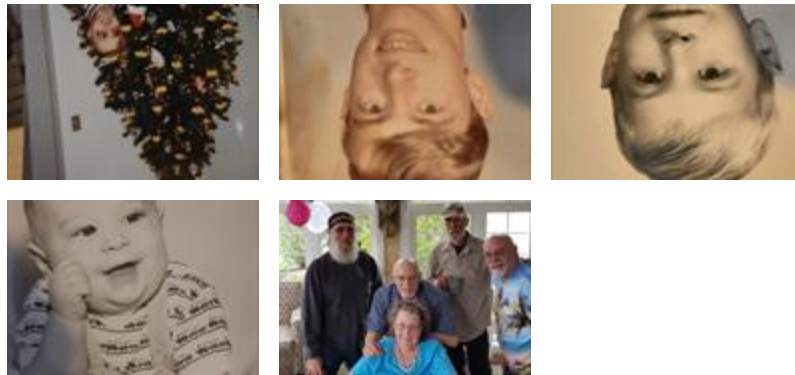
Sincerely,
The Hendrick Family



Dixi Norton - July 23, 2023 at 08:24 AM

BB

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Brian Bechtel - brother - July 23, 2023 at 08:23 AM

BB

“ *Brian Bechtel - Brother lit a candle in memory of Gary Lee Bechtel*



Brian Bechtel - brother - July 23, 2023 at 07:58 AM

BB

*Gary Bechtel
Older brother, guitarist, singer, wood carver, music lover, Dr. Pepper lover, father, hard worker, could talk to anyone, great story teller, Harley Davidson faniac, donated hair braids to locks of love, honest as the days is long, trustworthy, memorable laugh, simply adored his dog Betty Boop. What a true blessing God gave us. Rest on peace big brother. Love you.*

Brian Bechtel - brother - July 23, 2023 at 08:06 AM

MJ

“ *Met Gary through my husband Patrick Johnston they worked at AA together. He would come over to visit and always brought his own drink..Dr. pepper. We will miss him. What an awesome guy he was.*

Marti and Patrick Johnston - July 22, 2023 at 12:24 PM

CG

“ *I got to know Gary at American Airlines I worked a few bids with Gary and after those bids every time I seen Gary at that we always would talk he Loved his cigarettes Gary was a GOOD guy to me and many more Rest in Peace my Condolences to the Bethel Family*

Curtis R Gilbert - July 20, 2023 at 02:45 PM



“ This is his grandson Dajuan. I have a lot of great memories of him, he was the best grandfather anyone could have. I've lived with him all my life until i went of to the army. My best memory of him was when we would watch *The Curse of Oak Island* and we would be very interested in seeing what treasure they'll find. Also i enjoyed watching *WWE* with him. He would talk my ears off during the shows lol but i listened and still remember everything we've talked about. I miss him so much

Dajuan Casey-Johnson - July 11, 2023 at 05:42 AM

HF

My condolences again on the lose of your Grandfather. Hope Betty is enjoyng Washington. I am glad she is back with family.

Heather flynn - July 24, 2023 at 08:53 PM

HF

Loss*

Heather flynn - July 24, 2023 at 08:54 PM

SB

“ He shared this pic with me a few yrs ago from *Peter Fonda* motorcycle from the movie. "*Easy Rider*" ride easy brother. Give Mom & Dad a bear hug for me.

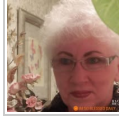


Stuart Bechtel - July 09, 2023 at 09:14 PM

TP

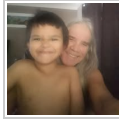
I'm so sorry for your loss. May God comfort you and your family. 🍷

Tamara Preston - July 09, 2023 at 11:03 PM



So sorry for such a loss. Grieving with Brian, Steve and Stuart...God Bless you all..Amen.

Pamela Perry - July 10, 2023 at 02:24 PM



we used to play a lot of music together had some great times fly on bro !

Don Long - July 20, 2023 at 06:19 PM