



Gary A. Lemas

September 8, 1945 - November 17, 2017

Gary A. Lemas, 72, a lifelong resident of Benicia, passed away Friday. He was born in Vallejo, a class of 1963 graduate of Benicia High School. Gary worked for the Benicia Unified School District from 1970-1983. He was employed with Timec Corporation, later Broadspectrum, for more than 27 years. Gary was co-owner of the former Pastime Club located at 726 1st Street. In addition, Lemas also worked several years as a bartender at JM's, and the Bottom of the Fifth Sports Bar. He was an avid fan of both the Oakland Raiders and Los Angeles Dodgers.

Gary was very active in local sports. He managed the Benicia Old Timers baseball team for many years, as well as the Benicia Industries, The City Limits and Shen Lincoln Mercury fast-pitch softball teams. He was involved with PAL Softball, Little League Baseball and was both a referee and umpire. The City of Benicia honored Gary with an Appreciation Day in 1983.

Gary is survived by his son Larry, daughter Tiffany, brother Barry Lemas, his grandchildren Jordan Lamarr, Brittany Lemas and Kelsee Billings; and his great-granddaughter Audrianna Russell. Gary was preceded in death by his parents Jules & Dorothy Lemas and his brothers Larry and Harvey Lemas. Memorial services will be held 1:00 p.m., Saturday December 2nd at Passalacqua Funeral Chapel, followed by a celebration of life gathering at the BDES Hall, 140 W. J Street, Benicia.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 2. 1:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Gary A. Lemas

November 29, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ Dad,

I miss you so very much. I wish I just could sit with you one more time and just talk. I have so much I want to say to you. All of our weekly shows we would watch just are not the same to me. I don't think I even liked a few, but I did like spending that time with you. You were always there, I could tell you anything, good or bad and you would always say "don't worry about it we will get through it, and you would always fix whatever it was. I don't know how you did it dad, you were the most selfless man I ever known, you would go without if it mean' t helping someone else. I just want to thank you for being the very best father and for all you did for me and the kids. I hope your at peace now and with ur brothers and family and friends like you hoped you would be. Tell mom , Ding , Uncle Harv hello for me and I love you all. I know when it's my time you will be right there to open the gates for me. I love you dad. XoXo 🥹

Tiffany Lemas - January 28, 2018 at 02:08 AM

LC

“ First my sister & I would like to give our condolences to the entire Lemas family. Your loss is great & our hearts & prayers go out to you all. Gary Lemas what are we going do without you!? Number A you should have written a book! We just want to say thank you. Thank you for the stories, the laughs, the smile, the flattery & that twinkle in your eye when you were up to not good. Thank you for the worst Ramos Fizz we've ever had in our lives. (When you said, "I think you put an egg in it." We had no idea you were gonna use the shell & all!) Thank you for charging everyone twenty dollars for a round of drinks no matter how many they ordered. Thank you for always calling me "Cheryl" even when you knew I was Laura and calling Cheryl "Laura" when you knew it was her. It was hilarious when people believed you got it wrong. Most of all & very sincerely, thank you for the countless things you've done for this community. God Bless you. Thanks for the memories Gary, you will be missed tremendously by the twins!! Love & kisses Laura (aka Cheryl) & Cheryl (aka Laura).



Laura & Cheryl - December 01, 2017 at 02:57 PM

DO

You both look alike

Darla O'Donnell - December 02, 2017 at 09:18 PM

CH

It was such a pleasure meeting you Darla! Thinking a lot about Gary so I just circled back to the obituary to see some pictures. Still keep you all in our prayers!! Sincerely, Cheryl & Laura

Cheryl - December 15, 2017 at 02:28 PM

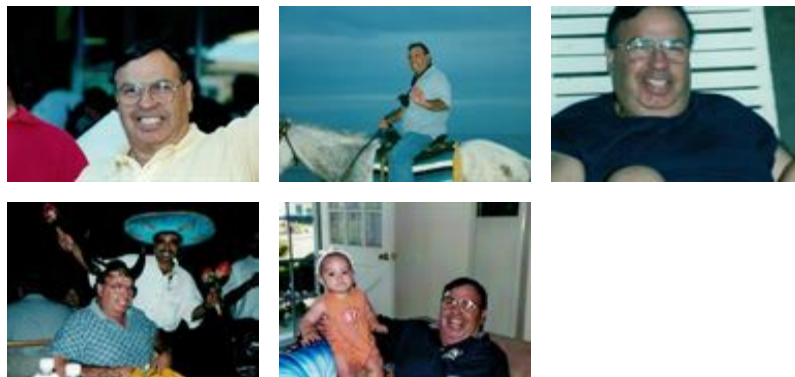
JF

“ Rest In Peace Gary. You will be miss by many people. You were a huge part of this community and loved the fact that you were so proud of your Portuguese heritage. We will treasure our final goodbyes that we spent with you. Love Calvin & Janis 🙏

Janis Fisk - November 30, 2017 at 04:22 PM



“ 6 files added to the album Life Tributes



Passalacqua Funeral Chapel - November 30, 2017 at 01:07 PM

CD

“ So very sorry to Gary's family for your loss. He was always kind and friendly to everyone. I will miss seeing him around town always on the go , he will be missed by everyone. Condolences to all Gary's family.

Charlene Dinsdale

Charlene Dinsdale - November 28, 2017 at 10:17 PM



“ 99 files added to the album Life Tributes



Passalacqua Funeral Chapel - November 28, 2017 at 02:28 PM

LS

“ I worked with Gary at Timec Company for many years. Gary was an awesome man and worked a lot for Steve Moore of Benicia. Gary washed those dirty coveralls and never said a work as he found a lot of money the people left in there pockets so that gave him good beer money, has ran errands for Steve and always got the job done. Gary will be missed and I love him like a brother. RIP Gary and save a place for me.

Larry Snavely - November 27, 2017 at 04:40 PM

TM

“ I worked with Gary in the early years at the BUSD. He always had a smile, hello and "how's the family" when we would run into each other over the years! We shared many conversations at the ball friends and considered him a friend. May his family find peace and comfort knowing he will be missed by many. Rest in Peace Gary!

Trudy Ribeiro McAnally - November 25, 2017 at 10:14 AM

CK

“ Another native great Benician taken from Benicia and his family. May God give your family peace and strength to deal with losing you and missing you here with them. Gary you will always be remembered with caring kind thoughts, rest in peace.



Carol King - November 22, 2017 at 08:58 PM

DD

“ I met Gary Lemas when I was 7, when we moved to Benicia, at age 12 I started babysitting Larry and Tiffany, When Gary would travel once a year to a conference in LA with the School District, I was the traveling babysitter he would take us all to Disneyland, first time I flew on a plane and Reggie Jackson sat next to me. He and Barbara were so kind to me and helped raise me! When I was a Senior in High School my mom and Derek moved to Texas to be with my brother Jerry, I wanted to stay and finish High School, so Barbara and Gary let me live with them. I was 17 and in High School and he would insist we all had to stay home on Monday's for family night! I hated it! But loved it at the same time, He loved his family and knew how important it was to spend time together! He was such a loving and caring man who I will never forget and I am grateful for all that he did for me and my family!

Daneen Diaz - November 21, 2017 at 03:23 PM

TL

Hi Daneen, what a great tribute to wake up to and read.! We had such a fun childhood. My dad was the best and I miss him so much already. Thanks for sharing that!

Tiffany Lemas - November 22, 2017 at 02:09 PM

MP

“ *Missy Peeler lit a candle in memory of Gary A. Lemas*



Missy Peeler - November 21, 2017 at 08:30 AM

MW

“ *i am so sorry i loved gary he always made you feel special i have known him for over 30 years and always enjoyed his smile kindness and hugs*



mary wieling - November 20, 2017 at 10:03 PM

FC

“ *Fred And Dee Carll lit a candle in memory of Gary A. Lemas*



Fred and Dee Carll - November 20, 2017 at 04:41 PM

DB

“ *David Batchelor lit a candle in memory of Gary A. Lemas*



David Batchelor - November 20, 2017 at 04:30 PM