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**G**ary Buerman of Strongsville, Ohio was born to George and Mildred Buerman on May 27th, 1950 and passed away peacefully on April 10th, 2026, surrounded by his family.

Gary was a devoted husband for 48 years and is survived by his wife, Deb Buerman. Together, they built a strong foundation for their two children to experience the importance of family. Gary is also survived by his daughter Jennifer (Jeremy) Harris and his son Brian (Courtney) Buerman who all learned how to be great parents thanks to his guidance. The name Grandpa is one that Gary wore with great pride. His granddaughters Claire, Margaret, Evelyn, and Caroline will remember him as a positive, fun, adventurous, and loving presence in their lives.

As the youngest (but not the baby) of five, Gary held regular sibling conference calls to keep everyone connected across the country. He was a loyal brother to the late Barbara Bentler, George Buerman, Dot (late Tom) Masterson, and the late Tom (Debbi) Buerman. His firm handshake and willingness to show up for his family will be remembered fondly by his brother in laws Dana (Carol) First and Don (Angie) First. Gary will also be missed by Pat Buerman, Leslie First and many nieces, nephews, cousins, great nieces and great nephews.

In addition to his genuine love for family, Gary never met a stranger. He loved interacting with others and found a retirement job that allowed him to celebrate with many while working for a party bus service. He was a regularly requested driver because of his outgoing, intentional, prompt, reliable, and kind personality which was present in all areas of his life. Gary is known as the mayor of the street where he and Deb lived for 48 years. He was always the first to welcome new neighbors, loved planning get togethers, and was quick to offer a helping hand. All friends and family would smile at the offer of a ride to get ice cream in his beloved 1965 Corvair convertible. Mr. Buerman was also proud to help hundreds of people by donating over 18 gallons of blood during his lifetime.



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A Cleveland man through and through, Gary was proud to call this city home for his entire life and was a devoted Browns and Guardians fan. He was an eternal optimist on all things sports as well as in life. He loved to laugh and never took himself too seriously which helped everyone to feel at ease in his presence. He believed rules were made to be bent but not broken and that it is important to work hard and play hard. These legacies, among many others, will live on through all who knew and loved Gary Buerman.

Thank you, Gary, for giving the biggest hugs and for being the best husband, dad, father in law, grandpa, son, brother, neighbor, and friend to so many.

A celebration of life service will take place on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 5 PM at Jardine Funeral Home, 15822 Pearl Road, Strongsville. Please join us to celebrate Gary and please consider bringing a story or memory to share with the group during this service. Friends and family are welcome to stay at the conclusion of the service to visit until 7 PM at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to The American Red Cross.




# Events


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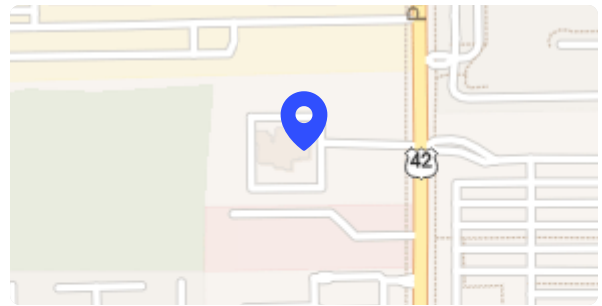
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## Celebration of Life Service

 **Tuesday**, April 21, 2026

 5:00 PM ET


 **Jardine Funeral Home**  
15822 Pearl Rd, Strongsville OH 44136

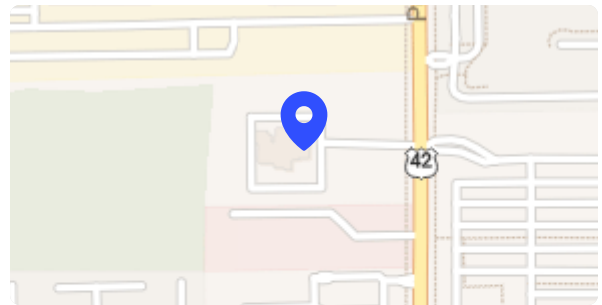


## Visitation

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 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

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## Tribute Wall

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JB

**Joni Blake** posted:

Our fondest memories were of Gary and Debbie in the early days in the Middleburg Hts. Jaycees. We became friends instantly and always looked forward to the many volunteer opportunities and (of course) the many parties afterwards! Not surprised him driving a party bus in his retirement! May he rest in peace 🙏 Fondly, Joni and Mike Blake

April 14 at 8:06 PM

KL

**Kyle Lewis** posted:

There's a whole lot to say about Gary. When we moved to the neighborhood 7 years ago Gary was one of the first to introduce himself to us. He gave us the low down of the neighborhood and the who is who of Homestead. He welcomed us to the neighborhood with open arms. Anytime we were outside and he saw us struggling with projects he always had some sort of tool that could help us. Gary was giving, he was kind and genuine. I will miss his nightly walks to patrol the neighborhood and the way he just kept everyone safe. We're going to miss Gary very much! Thank you for being the Grandpa we never knew we needed.

April 13 at 2:01 PM

MD

**Michelle Delia** posted:

It was truly an honor working with you these past few years, Gary. You were more than a coworker you were an extraordinary friend, someone I could talk to so easily despite our age difference. Thank you for always building up my confidence and reminding me to know my worth. I know how deeply you loved your wife, the love of your life, and how much your family meant to you. You spoke of them with so much pride and heart. I'm going to miss you in the driver's seat alongside all of us at Platinum. You made my job so much easier always stepping in to help, always showing up, always there when I needed you. I will miss you forever, but I find comfort knowing you're in heaven now probably serving as God's personal chauffeur. Please watch over all of us. Sending all my love to you and your entire family. -Michelle x

April 13 at 10:53 AM

S

**Steve Temple** posted:

I had the privilege and honor of working with Gary these last few years. He carried a smile and easy laughter wherever he went, brightening everyone's day with never a harsh word for anybody. Such a kind man, always willing to lend a hand whenever and wherever it was needed

April 13 at 10:46 AM



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**Athanasios Koutsourelis** posted:

Gary you were of the finest human beings I ever met. In every phase of your life you were very good at it. Exemplory!Your non stop caring and loving of your family was the best.Your kindness to all was never ending. Your positive attitude any time you were around was inspiring.Gary you were an awesome human being and I will miss you. I always looked forward to seeing you when we had family gatherings.Your grandchildren loved you so much.I'm sure you are in heaven and still looking over all of us. We will never forget you.

April 12 at 10:37 AM



**C K** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Margaret, Grandpa, & Caroline June 2025.Grandpa came all the way to Wisconsin to cheer his granddaughters on in gymnastics! Here they are eating in the Packers Stadium before competition.#1Fan & #1Grandpa ☐



April 11 at 9:25 PM



**Media**

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## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Gary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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