



Garry Edward Kretser

August 2, 1944 - June 14, 2009

Mr. Garry Kretser, age 64, of Henderson, NV, passed away on Sunday, June 14, 2009 at Solari Hospice in Las Vegas, NV with his loving family, June Darrow and Denise Griffin, at his side.

Born in Little Falls, NY on August 2, 1944, Garry was the son of the late Edward and Lavancha Kretser. He was raised and educated in Rome, NY. A proud veteran, he served his country in the U. S. Navy.

Garry and his lifetime partner, June, relocated from New York State in 1991 where he pursued his field as an electrical designer until his retirement. His natural ability in constructing electrical systems resulted in a productive and rewarding career over the years. His leisurely pursuits included camping, motorcycling, collecting model trains and model airplanes, working with computers, and traveling. He, and his niece Denise, participated in the 2008 'Run For the Wall' motorcycle event to honor his fellow veterans and enjoyed his memberships in the American Legion Post #40 in Henderson, NV and the Utica Area Computer User's Group. In addition, he was also a member of H.O.G.

Garry is survived by his lifetime partner, June Darrow. He was predeceased by his daughter, Karen Elaine Kretser, who passed away when she was 3 days old.

Visitation will be held Saturday (tomorrow) from 10:00-12:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. By family request, please omit floral offerings. For those wishing to do so, please

consider memorial donations in Garry's honor to the American Cancer Society; envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Garry's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Saturday at 12:00 noon at the funeral home immediately upon conclusion of visitation with Pastor Cindy Makarchuk officiating. A graveside prayer service and interment with Military Honors will follow at the St. Johnsville Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ Eannace Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Garry Edward Kretser



Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. - June 14, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear June, Sorry to hear that Garry passed away. Could not make it to the visitation on Sat but were thinking about you. Please call us at 315-732-3793 or write us at 737 Buchanan Road, utica, NY 13502 or of course email us. Would love to hear from you. Again very sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Gary and Mary Sainsbury##imported-end##

June 24, 2009 at 08:52 AM



“ I have not know Garry for a long period of time but my life as been greatly enriched by having him as a part of my life. He always had a big smile and a cheery disposition. I will miss him greatly but I am so thankful to have known him.##imported-begin##Becky Scott Brooks##imported-end##

June 22, 2009 at 11:29 PM



“ June, My sincere condolences on the loss of your loved one. I wonder if you know who I am and the impact your beloved had on my life. I believe there is more to every person than what you see and I would very much like to share with you this story. If you would be kind enough to share your e-mail with me, I would appreciate the opportunity to share my memories with you, privately, as it would take to long to share them in this message.##imported-begin##Lori ##imported-end##

June 21, 2009 at 06:08 PM



“ UNCLE GARRY, I WILL MISS U VERY MUCH AND SO WILL MALIEK. YOU WERE A SPECIAL PERSON WHO CAN NEVER BE REPLACED!! I HOPE AND PRAY HEAVEN IS JUST HOW U IMAGINED IT!!! FLY HIGH, WE LOVE YOU!!
XOXOXOXOXOXOXO##imported-begin##TASHA SCHENKEL
AND MALIEK HAMEED##imported-end##

June 21, 2009 at 05:26 PM



“ Dear June:

I've just returned home from the beautiful services for my dear friend, Garry.

I think you know just how much he meant to me and I cherish all the wonderful, wonderful times the three of us have shared in Las Vegas.

When I arrived, he opened your home to me and made me feel like I was truly wanted, and cared for. You folks fed me, sheltered me, cared for me and most of all, loved me. Sitting back, I begin to cry thinking of all the laughs we had over the silliest of things, the hours spent on the patio watching the planes, the time in the hot tub, our trips to Sonic, and of course, going out to eat.

I know Garry wouldn't have wanted to see you suffer, although we all know you suffered right along with him. He was brave and I think his e-mails kept him going.

The light he shed on my life is one that will not go out, and we must work together to preserve his memory, to carry on, to pursue and to take care of ourselves. He was a gem of a guy and I will miss him forever.

But as he once said, we need to cherish the past, live in the present and look to the future.

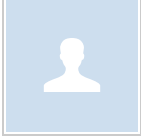
Know that you have two friends here that love you and care about you. I have a funny feeling we will all be right where Garry would have wanted us, and that's together, even if its just for short periods.

My love to you and my prayers and strength to you; Garry will live in my heart eternally.

-- Frank Mucilli##imported-begin##Frank A. Mucilli##imported-

end##

June 20, 2009 at 07:31 PM



“ gary: i will miss all the funny remarks we had together. im sorry i never made it out to see you because i had no money to see you. i wish we had more time together to ride our bikes on a nice trip around the mountains.##imported-begin##chris sinardo##imported-end##

June 20, 2009 at 09:22 AM



“ Garry was a dear friend and I cherish the time we have spent together and the memories I have. He faught a tough battle but I know he is in good hands now. Gene and I will remember him always. Our sincere sympathy to June, Denise and family.##imported-begin##Sally Sinardo##imported-end##

June 19, 2009 at 09:13 AM



“ Gary was a kind friend in my time of need and he will be truely missed by all.##imported-begin##Deborah I Luckey-hughes and family##imported-end##

June 18, 2009 at 08:53 PM



“ Garry will be remembered for his sense of humor and the depth of a kind soul. I send my deepest sympathy to his family and freinds. Take Care##imported-begin##Mary Shindeldecker##imported-end##

June 18, 2009 at 05:08 PM



“ Garry will be missed by all of his pogo friends. So thankful that he is in a much better place. He faught so hard, he was a specail person.##imported-begin##LeAnna Felts aka kybluesteyes##imported-end##

June 18, 2009 at 01:19 PM



“ What a kind man, you will be missed my friend. God bless! To Garry's family, my sincerest sympathies in your time of loss. He was a true gift!##imported-begin##Stephanie Stamm##imported-end##

June 18, 2009 at 09:22 AM



“ Gary,
I met you in Grievers, and you were a true Blessing. Your humor always brought a smile to my face, even when I was feeling down. I thank you for that. I saw how proud you were to have served our country, again I thank you. You will be so missed by all the people whos lives you have touched. Go with God my friend, He could use a good man like you. JIM##imported-begin##Jim Demetriou##imported-end##

June 18, 2009 at 09:14 AM



“ i met garry on a trip our game site had. he was a wonderful man and we had so much fun with him.
may he fly with the angels and be in peace##imported-begin##Cindy Hogue##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 09:53 PM



“ Garry always put a big smile on my face when I ran into him thru the years in Pogo. We enjoyed swapping stories an life's experiences. I was so proud of how well he enjoyed his adventures of life. All of us from Pogo Griefer's send our love to his family an friends an hope you will all find Peace in your hearts. I know his spirit will always be in all of our hearts. We love you Garry Rest in Peace###imported-begin###Kathy Loritz###imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 08:08 PM



“ garry am so proud to call you a friend we met in las vegas on our griefers trip and came to know you thru pogo you are with our lord now free to ride all you want now as you said one time you got to do a lot in your life that you wanted to do i am so glad you did know that i will always miss a wonderful sweet guy my condolences to the family garry will be missed by all who knew and loved him###imported-begin###sue vonkampen###imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 07:40 PM



“ Gary,
He was a great guy that went through mmany things in life , he lived his dreams. Gary was a fellow rider, we squiped with each other on & off the road. He is at a higher plain with the wind in his face. Gary will be in my memories, "Live to Ride, Ride to live".
Buddy you are now at rest and forever peaceful..I wish to thank you for just knowing you....Joker###imported-begin###Don Ingalls###imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 11:02 AM



“ My heart goes out to the family. Gary was a special person in my friends life. Denise helped ease the pain and extended his life. And what a good one.....!

God Bless!##imported-begin##Darryl Miller##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 09:01 AM



“ I will dearly miss my Godfather! And will never forget our time together and I'm so grateful he got the chance to meet my daughter. I will make sure to pass his memory on to her.##imported-begin##Katie##imported-end##

June 16, 2009 at 09:12 PM



“ Our condolences to the family of an American Hero. On behalf of Patriot Guard, we recognize the service of Garry to his country and it is an honor to stand for one who stood for us.##imported-begin##Ed and Peg Czarnecki##imported-end##

June 16, 2009 at 02:42 PM