

Gary T. Conte

February 27, 1953 - August 25, 2013

Mr. Gary T. Conte, age 60, passed away on Sunday, August 25, 2013 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with his loving family by his side.

Born in Utica on February 27, 1953, Gary was the son of Rocco Conte and the late Rose (Haddad) Tahan. He was also beloved by his step-father, the late James A. Tahan; and his step-mother, Ruth Conte, who is wed to his father, Rocco. Raised and educated in Utica, Gary was a graduate of Utica Free Academy. He furthered his studies at MVCC receiving an Associates degree in Applied Science in Electrical Engineering Technology and an Associates degree in Occupational Studies in Air Conditioning Technology. On October 31, 1971, he was joined in marriage with the former Bonnie Harwell. Gary, along with his wife, was the owner and operator of the OK Corral Restaurant in Remsen, up until his retirement. Gary was an avid fan of the NY Yankees and a supporter of the NY Lottery. He also enjoyed occasional trips to the Turning Stone Casino. Gary cherished the time he spent with his grandchildren and friends either in person or by the computer. His dog Chester was his constant companion for the past two years.

Gary is survived by his wife, Bonnie; his son and daughter-in-law, Daniel and Amy Conte of Utica; his daughters, Michelle L. Conte of Utica, and Christine M. Conte and fiancé Matt Nodecker of Frankfort; his father and step-mother, Rocco and Ruth Conte of Florida; and his grandchildren, Andrew Scott Conte "The Boy" and his mother Denise Dineen; Kaitlynn Conte "Squirrel", Rachel Fuller, and Alyssa Clayton. His untimely passing will also be mourned by his

twin sister and her husband, Gail A. and Kenneth F. Wolfran of Utica; and his sisters and brother-in-law, Lynda Atkins of New York City, and Denise and Craig Gymburch of Rome; and his many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, in-laws, Robert A. Jr. and Mary Harwell of FL; and many special friends.

The family is grateful to the physicians, nurses, and staff at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center for their compassion and vigilance in caring for Gary.

Visitation will be held Friday from 4:00-7:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Final prayers will be offered at the conclusion of visitation. Interment will take place in Calvary Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **30**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
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corner of Hammond Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
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<https://www.eannacefuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall

MD

“ *My sincere condolences. Gary and I were friends when we lived in Utica, he on Dudley Ave. and I one block away on Seymour. RIP Gary. I am glad to hear that so many people respect and love you. - mike*

Michael James Durrigan - March 27, 2023 at 03:42 AM



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Gary T. Conte.*



February 14, 2014 at 07:12 PM

JW

“ *Bonnie and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. God Bless you in this most difficult time.*



Judith Williams - August 31, 2013 at 04:04 PM

GW

“ *Gary,
I will miss calling and "bothering" you on the phone also our monthly pizza parties!!!
I LOVE YOU!!!
Twin Gail*

gail wolfran - August 30, 2013 at 06:38 AM

BD

“ Goodnight Pops! See you again in Heaven! Love you! Love always
Your favorite Baby Daughter!

Baby Daughter - August 29, 2013 at 10:48 PM

RC

“ Always a smile for everyone. He cared.
And NO ONE could make frenchfries with cheese and gravey like
his!!!
He will be missed.

Robertta Crill - August 29, 2013 at 08:34 PM

DD

“ God Bless Gary, he always was open for the revelers after hours.
Good food, good advice good conversations that will last a lifetime .
Always that smile I will never forget. Deepest sympathies to the
family.

Dennis and Cindy Day - August 29, 2013 at 06:58 PM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was
purchased for the family of Gary T. Conte.



August 29, 2013 at 06:10 PM

BD

“ I'm very sad to see this. I wish I could attend services. Gary was a dear friend and kind person. And a good cook, always knew what I liked. Many times him and I had long talks in the diner. He gave great advice. He will be very much missed. God Bless his family. BettyAnn Day....Remsen, NY

Bettyann Day - August 29, 2013 at 01:57 PM

CO

“ Very sad to see this... Gary took good care of all of us Remsen kids when we would show up at 2 in the morning for breakfast. He was always very patient with our antics.




Cody - August 29, 2013 at 12:12 PM

TB

“ I worked for Gary for many years and he was a great boss and I considered him and Bonnie like family ! They are great people and were always very caring ! Had a lot of great times at the Ok Corral over the years , never a dull moment and our Christmas parties were so nice . RIP Gary you will be greatly missed by many.

Theresa Burns - August 29, 2013 at 08:54 AM


Michele
Laclair

“ Michele, Very sorry for the loss of your Dad. You and your family are in our prayers. Calvin and Michele LaClair

Michele Laclair - August 28, 2013 at 11:31 PM

FA

“ Gary was a great guy. We grew up together on Dudley Ave.in Utica. I remember him loving baseball and music. He was always so happy. I remember his Lip Singing live on Hank Brown's Twist a Rama (he sang Mac Arthurs Park}. I remember him washing windows on Sky Scrapers in Huston Texas, amazing guy. I later had the pleasure of doing business with him at the Ok Corral, he was so hard working, happy and honest person. He is the perfect example of how God's wants people to live on this earth. He will be remember and thought of forever.
Peace of Jesus
Frank Annese
Venice Fl.

Frank Annese - August 28, 2013 at 08:06 PM

LD

“ Love Always, Lynda & Denise purchased the Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Gary T. Conte.



Love Always, Lynda & Denise - August 28, 2013 at 08:02 PM

JK

“ We enjoyed the few times we were with Gary. Good food and fellowship. We are praying for all.
Jim and Esther Kautz (Esther is Ruth Conte's sister)

Jim and Esther Kautz - August 28, 2013 at 05:54 PM

RC

“ Ruth r C. purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Gary T. Conte.



Ruth r C. - August 28, 2013 at 07:43 AM

JS

“ Joe Ford Sr lit a candle in memory of Gary T. Conte



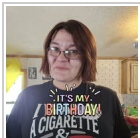
Joe ford sr - August 27, 2013 at 11:45 PM



“ Regena Sorensen-Taylor sent a virtual gift in memory of Gary T. Conte



Regena Sorensen-Taylor - August 27, 2013 at 08:28 PM



“ Regena Sorensen-Taylor lit a candle in memory of Gary T. Conte



Regena Sorensen-Taylor - August 27, 2013 at 08:26 PM

HB

Gary was a great man and friend I would stop in and have coffee with him I worked for him too

Hazel Bronson - August 29, 2013 at 11:14 AM