



Gary Lynn Bailey

December 6, 1945 - July 5, 2023

Gary Lynn Bailey, age 77, passed away July 5, 2023, at Roane Medical Center. Gary graduated with the last class at South Harriman High School in 1963, where he played football before continuing to play at Carson Newman. He received an Education Specialist and Master's Degree from Tennessee Tech, and a Bachelor of Science Degree from Carson Newman. Gary served as a Sergeant in the United State Army from 1967 to 1969. He was stationed on the DMZ in Korea earning the Imjin Scout Badge. Gary served as a math teacher at South Harriman Middle School and later Harriman Middle School. He coached football at Harriman High School as the defensive coordinator and later head coach from 1987 to 2001. He retired as assistant principal of Harriman High School in 2006.

He is preceded in death by his parents Woodrow and Ruby Bailey and brother Kenneth Bailey.

Survived by wife of 57 years Edith Nagle Bailey, daughter and son-in-law Jennifer and Kris Mynatt, granddaughters Bailey and Abigail Mynatt.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donation to the food pantry at Trenton Street Baptist Church, 519 Trenton St., Hariman, TN 37748.

The family will receive friends from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. with funeral to follow Sunday, July 9, 2023, at the Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman. Interment will

follow funeral service in Roane Memorial Gardens. Kyker Funeral Home of
Harriman serving the Bailey Family.

Cemetery Details

Roane Memorial Gardens

1400 N Gateway Ave
Rockwood, TN 37854

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 9. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary Lynn Bailey*



Kyker Funeral Home - July 09, 2023 at 11:03 AM

MM

“ *A great teacher and my coach. RIP, coach Bailey*

Mark Melton - July 12, 2023 at 02:18 AM

JH

“ *He was a great teacher that I remember from Jr High. I remember being in his class like it was yesterday. I never had the displeasure of being on the other end of his paddle but I have seen him lift a few boys off of the floor lol. RIP Mr Bailey. Thanks for the memories.*

judy Hughes Hunt - July 10, 2023 at 10:33 AM

AT

“ *I did not have Mr. Bailey in school since I went to Cumberland, but I did have Mrs. Bailey in high school. My deepest sympathy go out to Mrs. Bailey, Jennifer, and his family. May God bring them comfort in the days ahead.*

Arlene Bowers Tapp - July 10, 2023 at 07:05 AM



“ *Sorry to hear about coach Bailey, I'm not in Tennessee or I would go*

Billy Lunsford - July 09, 2023 at 04:52 PM



“ *45 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Kyker Funeral Home - July 09, 2023 at 10:52 AM

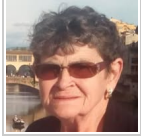
PW

“ *I lost a great friend but Heaven received a true Angel. I and my brothers were raised up with Gary. My mom also babysitted his daughter Jennifer and Edith is just a joy to be around and call friend. I have taken Gary some crappie on occasion but all we ever seemed to talk about was South Harriman. He knew everybody and always had some of the most fascinating stories. He was a true SHHS Pirate.*

I will always remember him and his family as my good friends. Going to miss you Coach until we meet again. Rest in Peace and no more pain.

Paula Kay Goddard Walker

Paula Kay Goddard Walker - July 09, 2023 at 01:27 AM



“ Gary was the first friend I made in TN after moving here from MI. We were friends for the following 15 years. I was walking alone on the HWY58 park until Gary and Junior asked me to join them on the 5-mile daily walk. After Junior passed, Gary and I continued our walks for many years until joint and health issues ended them. We shared family histories and our personal triumphs and defeats. We discussed politics because we were of the same ilk and, rarely, religion. One day Gary brought a car antenna with him. He said he was protecting himself from God's wrath in case I'd blaspheme. He didn't want the lightning bolt to include him. Ha! He was so friendly and loved the walks because he could visit with other people. He always kidded me on how poorly my dog took to training. Then he got Yobi. Payback time. He was a wonderful man and a great friend. He was blessed to have had Edie as his wife since he was 19. My condolences to Edie, Jennifer, Bailey, and Abby. He will be greatly missed by everyone whose life he touched. Goodbye, Dear Friend.
Germaine

Germaine Smith - July 08, 2023 at 11:45 AM



“ Mr. Bailey was my math teacher at South Harriman High School the last year the School was a high school. I'm sorry for your loss.

Linda Reynolds - July 08, 2023 at 11:21 AM

IM

“ Gary was our neighbor for 8 years. He was my big brother by choice. He was a wonderful friend. I loved him so much! He let this little girl hang around and play basketball and tennis with him. He was my hero! He was so kind and caring. I lost track of him when he went in the service, when I went to college, 10 years in Alabama teaching, 6 years in Texas. When I came back home, I got a teaching job at Harriman Middle and our classrooms were next to each other. We were neighbors again! He was such a wonderful person and friend. I know we will meet again one day. My condolences to the family. He will be greatly missed.



Ineta Pierce Moore - July 08, 2023 at 08:21 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gary Lynn Bailey.



July 07, 2023 at 07:21 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Gary Lynn Bailey.



July 07, 2023 at 09:37 AM

DP

“ I did not have Mr. Bailey as a teacher, but I did have Mrs. Bailey at Harriman High School. He always seem so outgoing and funny when he was around Mrs. Bailey, and she would talk of him in class sometimes. My prayers are with his family and friends.
Deepest Condolences
Darlene Bowers Prewitt

Darlene Bowers Prewitt - July 07, 2023 at 08:28 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gary Lynn Bailey.



July 07, 2023 at 06:20 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gary Lynn Bailey.

July 07, 2023 at 06:20 AM

PB

“ Gary and I worked together at South Harriman Junior High School, and I have so many fond memories of him. My prayers are with you, Jennifer and family now.

Pam Bowman - July 06, 2023 at 11:42 PM

CG

“ *Mr. Bailey was one of my favorite teachers and coaches. He was the type of teacher who was tough, but fair and he always had a great story to share with his students. If you were worthy, he would give you the highly coveted single tic tac, which he always skillfully measured out. As an adult, everytime I met him he was genuinely interested in what I had been doing. Mr. Bailey made a great impression on my life and I will always remember him.*

Chad Goldston - July 06, 2023 at 09:29 PM