



## David Garen

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Obituary of David Garen

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David R. Garen, 74, of Leesburg Florida passed away peacefully November 20, 2012 .

He was born on August 5, 1938, in Canton, Ohio, to David H. and Hazel V. Garen.

David graduated from Middlebranch High School in North Canton, Ohio and Bowling Green State University. He married Cletah M. Dudgeon in 1959. David worked for several years as a Store Manager for the Kroger Company and enjoyed a 30 year career with the Social Security Administration in Lima and Defiance, Ohio. He retired to Leesburg, Florida in 1997 with his wife to enjoy their version of "paradise". David pitched horseshoes competitively, traveling around the country and Canada to participate in the World

Horseshoe Pitching Tournaments. He loved volunteering for several community organizations and enjoyed spending time with family and friends. David was a member of the Elks and attended the First Baptist Church of Leesburg.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Cletah in 2009, his parents and sister, Linda Campbell.

David is survived by his children, Lisa (Jeff) Fowler, Darla (Ashraff) Rampersaud, Marcia Close, Teresa (Herberth) Garen-Corrales; 8 grandchildren; Jared, Avram and Deven Rampersaud, Adam and Chelsea Close, Preston Fowler, Leo and Anthony Corrales; his sister Joan (Jim)VanDeventer; Mother-in-law, Cameo Dudgeon , Brother-in-law Arthur (Moneen) Dudgeon and several nieces and nephews.

Friends may call from 1-2pm Sunday November 25 at Beyers Funeral Home, Leesburg, FL. His funeral service will follow at 2pm in the Chapel. Burial will immediately follow at Lone Oak Cemetery, Leesburg, Florida.

Memorials suggested to the Benevolence Food Account -Benevolence Center of the Christian Care Center, 115 N 13th Street, Leesburg, Florida 34748.

#### Visitation

Friends may call from 1-2pm Sunday November 25 at Beyers Funeral Home,

Leesburg, FL.

### Services

His funeral service will follow at 2pm in the Chapel.

### Interment

Burial will immediately follow at Lone Oak Cemetery, Leesburg, Florida.

### Memorial Donations

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# Tribute Wall



“ *David Garen*

October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mrs. Darla, So sorry for your loss.*

**Ms. Gebhart's class** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Thinking of you and your family Darla. You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

**Brandy Warran** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Fifty-six years of friendship with Dave (and Cletah) now finds us with an even bigger hole in our hearts. We shared the pleasure of our combined nine children through the growing-up days; marriages; grandchildren;----with laughter and tears, joy and sorrow, and many a game of Euchre along the way. We hope there are horseshoes in heaven. We will miss you, David. God speed.*

**Mary & Hank Cabot** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy and love. Let there be peace in knowing that now David can be reunited with Cletah. Our thoughts and prayers are with all you girls and your families. Love from the Powell family*

**Jeanne Dotson** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Garen girls, I am so sorry for your loss. Your dad was always a character, pulling peoples chains, loved to laugh and always made you think. He prepared you for the world and taught you to be your own persons. He will be missed. In deepest sympathy, Susan

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**Susan Smith** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ David and I shared a warm friendship as we walked our four miles together each morning for many years. My wife, Bev, and I both appreciated his good sense of humor. Dave took his responsibilities very seriously - especially when it involved his love of serving others. His passing is a loss to the neighborhood and we will miss him very much.

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**Al and Bev Hartley** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Dear Garen Family, How sorry I am to learn of your Dad's death. Dave was a good neighbor and friend in RH, right next door, for so many years in RH. I will always fondly remember your sweet mother and dad and miss them both in my life. I remarried to another former teacher a year ago. I'm in MI until after Christmas when I'll be going back to Tartan St My love and sypathy to each of you. . Lynne

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**Lynne Murdie-Shoemaker** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

HK

“ Darla, you and your family are in my prayers. Take care!

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**Holly King** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Lisa, Darla, Marcia, & Teresa, & families Our deepest sympathy to you in the passing of your dad. May the wonderful memories of your mom & dad live in your hearts forever.

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**Jim & Nancy Myers** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Darla, I am so very sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Please know I am here if you need anything. Love, Kristi

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**Kristi Butner** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Lisa, Darla & Ashraff, Marcia, Teresa - So sorry for your loss. Thrive on the great memories -- I'm sure you have lots of them! Seems like just a few years since our great times with the bands in Defiance, but time moves on. Take care. Our best to you and your families. Dale

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**Dale Schubert** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Sami & I spent many "fun" years with Dave at work at SSA and often visited with him & Cletah. Both were warm and gracious people, are missed, and you are all in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Sami & Tom Faykosh** - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM