



## Gary Hanrahan

October 3, 1953 - June 15, 2024

Gary Michael Hanrahan, beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend, passed away on June 15, 2024, after a courageous battle with cancer. Born on October 3, 1953, in Chicago, Illinois, Gary lived a life rich in passion, dedication, and love.

Gary spent his formative years in Pompano Beach, Florida, where he attended Cardinal Gibbons High School. His athletic talents shone brightly, leading him to play as an offensive tackle at the University of Alabama. There, he was a proud member of Bear Bryant's SEC and National Championship team. He later completed his collegiate football career at Boston College, demonstrating his dedication and skill on the field.

Following college, Gary pursued his lifelong passion for dogs, becoming an avid trainer and breeder in the sport of Schutzhund. His commitment and expertise in the sport led him to compete at the highest levels, including multiple national championships and representing on the world team. His achievements in Schutzhund earned him immense respect and admiration within the community.

Gary's family was the center of his world. He was a devoted husband to Pamela Kay Davis Hanrahan, and their life together was a testament to enduring love and partnership. As a father, he instilled strong values and a sense of adventure in his children, Michael, Michelle, and Patrick. His grandchildren—Noah Hanrahan, Kayden Hanrahan, Caylee Grace Hanrahan, MacKenzie Claire Howard, Ryleigh Faith Howard, Emma Kate Hanrahan, and Addison Rae Hanrahan—were his pride and joy, and he cherished every moment spent with them.

Gary is survived by his loving wife, Pamela Kay Davis Hanrahan; his brother, Jack Hanrahan, and his wife, Jill Hanrahan, of Florida; his sister, Marybeth Pryor of Florida; his daughter, Michelle Hanrahan Howard, and her husband, Ronnie Howard; his son, Patrick Hanrahan, and his wife, Mary Claire Hanrahan; and his treasured grandchildren. He also leaves behind many nieces and nephews and their families.

He was predeceased by his parents, John Robert Hanrahan and Betty Jane Cloyd Hanrahan, and his son, Michael Jason Hanrahan. Michael is survived by his wife, Dusti Hanrahan. Gary leaves behind a host of friends and family who will forever remember his warmth, generosity, and zest for life. His legacy of love, strength, and perseverance will continue to inspire those who knew him.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **21**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home  
5360 Deerfoot Parkway PO Box 118  
Trussville, AL 35173

# Tribute Wall

MS

“ We first met Gary in 1984 at the home of Gene and Sandy England. Both Pam and Gary have been our lifelong friends - our sincere condolences and prayers are with the Hanrahan family. Peace be with you all



michele scarberry - June 22, 2024 at 09:44 AM

Gerard Debaere

“ Gerard Debaere lit a candle in memory of Gary Hanrahan



Gerard Debaere - June 22, 2024 at 06:48 AM

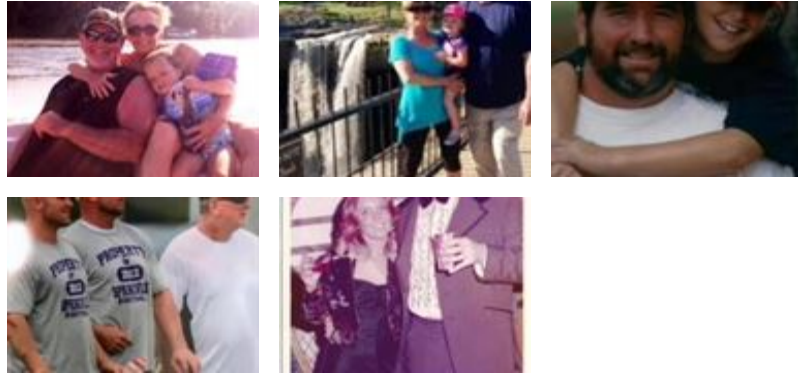
CM

“ I've known Gary for several years always looked to him for the best German shepherds around . I have always had so much respect for Gary and Pam . they always treated us so good when we went up there . Gary's presence in the GSD world will be greatly missed . So sorry to hear this . My thoughts and prayers go to the family in this time of loss . Corey Mosley.

Corey Mosley - June 21, 2024 at 10:04 PM



“ 58 files added to the album LifeTributes



Deerfoot Memorial Funeral Home - June 21, 2024 at 09:57 AM



“ Ray J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Hanrahan.

Ray J. - June 21, 2024 at 09:30 AM



“ Iris and Avi Cohen family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Gary Hanrahan.



Iris and Avi Cohen family - June 20, 2024 at 08:04 PM



“ Iris and Avi Cohen family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Hanrahan.

Iris and Avi Cohen family - June 20, 2024 at 08:04 PM

CJ

“ Cathy and Phil Jobe planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Hanrahan.

Cathy and Phil Jobe - June 20, 2024 at 06:45 PM

CJ

“ Cathy and Phil Jobe purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Gary Hanrahan.



Cathy and Phil Jobe - June 20, 2024 at 06:45 PM

PC

“ Pamela C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Hanrahan.

Pamela C. - June 20, 2024 at 04:31 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary Hanrahan.



June 20, 2024 at 04:31 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Gary Hanrahan.



June 20, 2024 at 01:03 PM



“ *RIP Gary*  
*I will never forget the great memories we had together on the schutzhund fields - the fun we had at these events was unbelievable and still make me smile today.*  
*My favorite being in Belgium eating mussels after training everyday and laughing till the early hours of the morning.*  
*You were so much fun and a great friend.*  
*Our condolences to Pam and the family.*  
*Martin and Dina Vollrath*

Martin Vollrath - June 20, 2024 at 12:59 PM



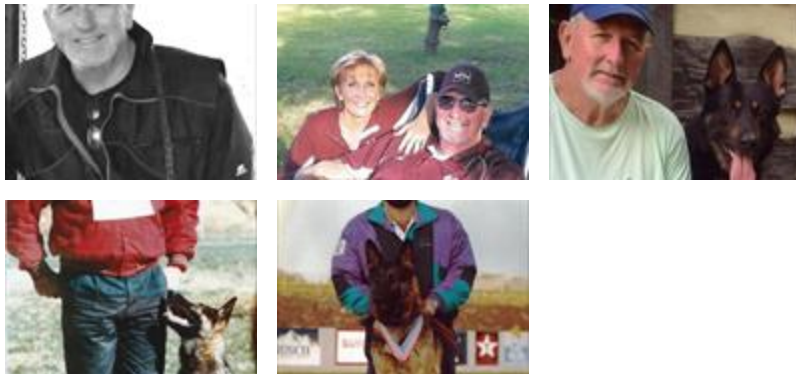
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gary Hanrahan.*



June 20, 2024 at 10:55 AM



“ *5 files added to the tribute wall*



Michelle Hanrahan Howard - June 19, 2024 at 05:47 PM

JN

“ *JACK, JILL, RYAN, KERRI, & NICK purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Gary Hanrahan.*



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**JACK, JILL, RYAN, KERRI, & NICK** - June 19, 2024 at 12:49 PM

JT

“ *Jim, Cyndi, Jamie and Trish planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Hanrahan.*

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**Jim, Cyndi, Jamie and Trish** - June 19, 2024 at 11:44 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gary Hanrahan.*



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June 19, 2024 at 11:44 AM

RP

“ *Gary was a wonderful unselfish man. I knew through the sport of Schutzhund. I can say without a doubt that if it wasn't for him I never would have had so much success competing at such a high level. He thought me so much. He will truly be missed. Rest in piece old fiend*

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**Richard C Pastucka** - June 18, 2024 at 08:38 AM

MC

“ Linda and I are saddened by the loss of our friend Gary. Our sincerest condolences and prayers go out to Gary's entire family. Our German Shepherd Dog sport has lost a leader and mentor whose legacy will not be replaced. May he rest in eternal peace with our Savior.

- Michael and Linda Caputo

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**Michael J Caputo** - June 17, 2024 at 08:53 PM

TS

“ GARY AND I WALKED A1A WHEN WE WERE 13 AND GOT OUR FIRST JOB AT RANCH HOUSE IN LAUDERDALE BY THE SEA WASHING DISHES...WE HAD TO BE AT WORK AT 6 AM..THAT DIDNT LAST VERY LONG GOD BLESS YOUR SOUL GARY THE SHEEHAN FAMILY

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**tim sheehan** - June 16, 2024 at 01:53 PM