



## Gary Fontana

May 12, 1954 - November 11, 2009

GARY EMANUELE FONTANA, age 55, passed away on Wednesday, November 11, 2009 at Inova Fairfax Hospital.

Gary was a resident of Manassas for 44 years. He participated in Little League football and baseball and was an active member of Prince William Order of DeMolay in the early 70's. He graduated from Osbourn High School where he received sports letters in football, baseball and basketball. He was voted Outstanding Athlete in his senior year. While a member of Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church, he taught Sunday School. Gary graduated from James Madison University with a BS degree. He subsequently was employed at HAJOCA and later at Acme Mechanical Contractors.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Margaret (Peggy). He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Catherine Rhodes; son, Anthony Emanuele; daughter, Kelly Michele; two sisters, Diane Fontana Raycob of Bel Air, MD and Irene Fontana Clater of Winter Springs, FL; his father, Emanuele and stepmother, Jean and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and cousins.

The family will receive friends from 4:00-7:00 P.M. Sunday, November 15, 2009 at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas. Funeral services will be held 10:30 A.M. Monday, November 16, 2009 at Bethel Evangelical Lutheran Church, 8712 Plantation Lane, Manassas with Pastor

Jeffrey M. Wilson officiating. Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to a favorite charity or to Edgehill Rehabilitation Center, 315 East Cork Street, Winchester, Virginia 22601 in memory of Gary E. Fontana.

Condolences may be sent to [www.piercefh.com](http://www.piercefh.com).

# Tribute Wall

JK

“ *Our thoughts are with you and yours.*

**J and Julie Keller** - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

MK

“ *My prayers are with you in this difficult time.*

**Ms. P.J. Keller** - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

JM

“ *Gary will surely be missed. I have a lot of fun memories to keep in my heart, both as kids and adults. My love and prayers to the family.*

**Joan Moretti** - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

KM

“ *Cathy, Tony and Kelly our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.*

*Kim, Doug, JD, Shawn and Christopher*

**Kim and Doug Martin** - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

CM

“ *Cathy & Family,*

*I was so sorry to hear about Gary's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

*Cindy Bears*

**Cindy Mintz** - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

KA

“ Dearest Manny,

*It has been many years since we enjoyed your home in Fairfax, but have always remembered those great years. Having lived in the Woodbridge area for many years, we were able to know of you and the family through mutual friends. Our deepest sympathy to you, Gary's family and your family at this sad time. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Karen and Charles Attreed*

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**Karen and Charles Attreed** - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

JG

“ *My deepest sympathy to all the family at this time of sorrow. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Joy Zimbardo German** - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

SG

“ *Cathy,*

*Please accept my deepest sympathy during this sad time. All of us from the Elon University community are thinking about you and are hopeful for brighter days ahead.*

*Blessings to you and your family.  
Sandy*

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**Sandy Griffin** - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

DS

“ *I loved Gary and he will always be with me too.  
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**David Su** - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM

SF

“ *Our sincere, heartfelt sympathies to the Fontana family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.* ”

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**Sherri Haynes Jernigan and Family** - March 29, 2013 at 02:02 PM