



# Gary Lee Williamson

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**A** funeral service for Evangelist Gary Lee Williamson, 70 of Inez, Ky. will be held Saturday, June 22, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. in the Dresden Chapel of Vensil & Chute Funeral Home with Pastor Paul E. Aiken officiating. Burial will follow in Frazeyburg Cemetery.

Mr. Williamson died Tuesday, June 18, 2013 at his residence. He was born July 17, 1942 in Dresden, Ohio to the late Wilpret Gail "Dutch" and Dorothy Alice (Whyde) Williamson. A sister Patricia Williamson preceded him in death.

Gary was saved and born again in 1976. He was a devoted Christian and loved God with all his heart. He was a member of the Tabernacle Church of Prestonsburg, Ky. He was also associated as an Evangelist with the Glad Tidings Ministries in Inez, Ky. He was a member of the World Wide Intercessors Prayer Ministry. He was a 1960 graduate of Jefferson High School. He was retired from the Owens-Corning Fiberglas. He had served in the U. S. Air Force.

He is survived by his wife, Effie (Gambrel) Williamson of Inez; step-daughter, Kimberly Callihan of Louisville, Ky., daughters, Chris Millious of Troy, NY, Janet L. (Miles) Frew of Conesville; son, Gary Scott (Clarrinda) Williamson of New Concord; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; sister, Naomi (Roy) Morrison of Zanesville; brother, Jerry (Irene) Williamson of Phoenix, AZ.; several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours will be observed Friday evening June 21, 2013 from 5 to 8 pm at the VENSIL & CHUTE FUNERAL HOME 714 Main Street Dresden.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Jude's Research Hospital or American Cancer Society.



## Tribute Wall

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TC

**Theresa Carollo** posted:

Blessings Brother Gary .. until we meet .. My prayers are with You and Your family. God Bless my friend.. Terry C/HvnsPryrs Ministry

June 18 at 11:25 AM

BW

**Barbara Williams** posted:

You are dearly missed Brother Gary, but thought of often! You finished your race, and have heard our Lord and Savior Jesus say, Well done good and faithful servant. Someday we will see you (and others of the Worldwide Intercessor group who have already joined you) again.

June 14 at 12:40 PM

RA

**Rev. Paul And Ramona Aiken** posted:

Gary is sadly missed by our congregation at The Tabernacle! We love and miss you, Gary!

July 14 at 9:33 AM

YB

**Yvette Bandel** posted:

Dear Praying Saints, I come in prayers and supplications, sending my \*deepest\* condolences for Brother Gary's wife, Effie, children and all extended family members. I was in Africa when our Sister Wilma Fox passed on the message via e-mail to Pastor Selegio (who) lives in Africa to get in touch with me. Like you all, I couldn't quite comprehend..... nor grasp and was in total shock.... if I had heard correctly..... & repeated his name ..... & Selegio said "yes, it is him"..... trying to understand how his life on this earth came to an end so rapidly... believing that he was in good health for his 70 years.. What can I say..... or add.....? to what you praying saints have already said..... He was a \*very\* faithful servant unto the Lord and took very seriously the Healing Services he did.... which started not long after the passing of Sharon Mosley, in her blessed memory..... & heartily welcomed all to send in prayer requests..... I know he prayed much for me and my family..... I am very saddened..... And he even copied off the itinerary for Africa to pray over it every day..... Brother Gary and his family were in my prayers..... he knew that.... and God willing, I will \*continue\* to lift up his beloved wife, Effie and family..... may the good Lord comfort her.... and his children and his children's children..... at this very sad and sensitive time.. with the love and peace of the Lord Himself... knowing that he is now living with his \*Savior\* \*Jesus\* forever as I pray for all these things in the name of \*Yeshua\* Amen and Amen I send prayers and condolences and love from Israel Yvette Bandel

July 13 at 8:57 AM



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DB

**Daphne Burchell** posted:

Dear Sister Effie, and Williamson family, I would like you to know that Russell and I are praying for the peace of God that passes all understanding to be with you today and forever after your sudden loss of dear Bro. Gary. We were so very shocked and we want you to know that you are all in our hearts and prayers.

July 1 at 9:48 PM

JH

**Jim & Mary Holbrook** posted:

I know this is late but we just found out the other day of his passing. He was a great man of God and will be missed by a great deal of us. We can be assured he is with the Father now. Jim & Mary Holbrook

June 28 at 4:11 AM

CW

**Carol Williams** posted:

Brother Gary was always there for many of us when the trials and troubles were difficult to bear alone. He always took the time to call or send an e-mail as the need arose. Praying God's peace in all hearts, and His arms of comfort around all who are in sorrow!

June 25 at 7:16 AM

BC

**Becky Cannon** posted:

Sister Effie and family of Brother Gary, I am really not sure what words to use, all I can say is this..I am a member of WWI and Daughters of Zion...I have known Brother Gary for several years...we have spoke on the phone during this time..I came to think of him as a dear friend and Brother in Christ..I have never known a more Godly man in my 62 years...I want you all to know he was well respected and loved by all that he touched across the world...Please know you are in our prayers...

June 24 at 6:09 PM



**Carole Goldberg** posted:

Dear Sister Effie and family, To say we were all shocked at Brother Gary's passing is a huge understatement. I still am waiting for the call he said he would make to me and catch myself hesitating over his email address when sending out prayer requests. He was a vital part of many prayer teams, including my Children's Ministry. I already miss seeing him at the Tabernacle services. His mission was to spread the Word and to be of comfort to others through prayer and healing. His legacy will continue. Please know our love and prayers are with you every day. May God wrap You in his warm embrace and lift your spirits as He gently reminds you that Gary is where he wished to be and where you will join him once more in Eternity. In Hia Grip, Carole in Seattle Children's Prayer Ministry

June 24 at 7:02 AM



**Anonymous** posted:

I wish to send my condolences and prayers for all the family and for Effie. I have been one of Gary's intercessors for quite awhile, and we all miss him so much. Gary was one of a kind, and a special person. I know that he is in a beautiful place, and happy with Our Lord. My heart goes out to all of his family, as I know he will be terribly missed. All of us, in the Daughters of Zion, have missed him so much this week. May God bless all and each of you, and we will never forget Gary and his wonderful spirit. He was always so eager to help all who needed it, a true Christian who loved everyone. God bless you all, and may God comfort and console each one, Sandra Lewis Pringle

June 22 at 6:05 PM



**Kit Johnson** posted:

Dear Effie and Family A bright light is gone from our lives, for where ever Gary went, the light of Jesus lit his path. I was so honored when Gary wrote and asked me to join the Worldwide Intercessors. He was my encourager. I will always remember his kindness in his phone calls and his special notes. He truly was a gift from God to many of us. His Spirit Man was so evident in every healing service. He prayed for me for healing from pneumonia and pleurisy. The pain left immediately. I will truly miss him along with so many others whose life he blessed. Sister Effie my heart goes out to you and your family. May God's presence be so strong around You, it will guide you through the days ahead. Know there are many...many prayers going up for you, your family, and your church family. In His Love Kit

June 22 at 9:12 AM



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AM

**Anna McClendon** posted:

Bro Gary will be missed.

June 22 at 8:19 AM

CH

**Cindy Havens** posted:

A son of God you were Gary. When you stood before our family and friends and told us how Greatful you were to be a part of his family, as his cousin, who would thought that almost 8 years to the day, your journey here on our earth would have been fulfilled. May you rest in peace now, and if you would? please give him a hug, and tell him just how much he is missed. A Very Good man, you were and left footprints on the hearts of many, including mine. Sorry for your loss Effie. Thoughts and Prayers to you.

June 22 at 4:08 AM

PL

**Pj Longstreth** posted:

Such a good person and a great loss to the Jayhawk family. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

June 22 at 3:38 AM

MS

**Martha Smith** posted:

I am praying along with so many others, countless people who loved Bro Gary and you and the family. Psalm 91 is holding you with the Lord's everlasting love and during this grief know you are not alone. Thank you for your prayers and love for the body of Christ.

June 21 at 9:47 PM



LS

**Lilian Schmid** posted:

Dear Family and Friends,I met brother Gary on line through the prayer network 2 months ago. I shared with brother Gary our plan to run a Global Prayer Summit in Sydney 2016, he was so excited and God has given him a message for us to share. in first message to me 14/5/2013 Gary said: " LORD LET THE TRANSFORMATION BEGIN IN AUSTRALIA , AND SPREAD TO THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE EARTH . IT SAYS IN EPHESIANS 4, UNTIL WE ALL COME INTO THE UNITY OF FAITH . PERSONALLY , I DON'T FEEL JESUS WILL RETURN FOR HIS CHURCH[SAINTS OF GOD ] UNTIL THAT HAPPENS."and on Fri 17/05/2013 1:52 PM God gave brother Gary a message for me and my husband Bjorn, brother Gary said:" I bear witness to what I read .and I believe from the spirit of God , I can say , it is inevitable that soon a Revival will break forth out of Sydney , Australia , that will spread far and wide across the World .The latter rain is going to fall heavy on this revival ., and those that are involved with it. Amen Brother Gary you were and inspiration to us during this short time and you held us and all the prayer brothers and sisters in your hearts, we love you and we never forget you and if the summit happens in 2016 we will dedicate a time to remember you and say thank you for believing and speaking the word of God to us about the summit. Our sympathy to all the family and friends of brother Gary. from Bjorn and Lilian SchmidTransforming Sydney. Australia.

June 21 at 6:42 PM

BK

**Billie Kelly** posted:

Dear Effie, thank you for sharing Brother Gary with so many of us who were blessed by our email exchanges with him as we joined in prayers for so many who were hurting and in need. I appreciated his kindness and sincere caring for all of us. None of us were expecting this sudden news because he was just off on a trip to visit family. Well, he really IS off on a trip visiting family now, isn't he? Best of all, he is with our Lord Jesus and Father God. We know he will be there to meet each one of us when it's our turn to "go visit our family". I have plenty in heaven waiting for me too. Someone said, "A sunset on Earth is a sunrise in heaven." So very true.Much love to you and your family...Billie Kelly

June 21 at 6:23 PM

JP

**Jim Phillips** posted:

Gary, you are such a blessing, a man of God, a warrior in prayer. I envy that you are in the Lord's embrace now and for eternity. Until we meet face to face, I too pray for your family and their peace. Thank you for all you have done,Jim

June 21 at 10:43 AM



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BM

**Beckie Mcinerney** posted:

Gary Williamsons' love of God & kindness to all he met showed through when he greeted you. As I read his guest book I thought of how happy he must have been to attend both his family reunion on Sat. & his high school alumni. We his friends and fellow alumni are shocked and saddened by his passing, he will be missed. Heaven has welcomed his smile. Rest in Peace Gary, and Deepest Sympathy to all your loved ones.....Beckie Starner McInerney

June 21 at 9:33 AM

WF

**Wilma Fox** posted:

MY PRECIOUS SISTER EFFIE AND FAMILY ALL:WE ARE HOLDING YOU CLOSE IN OUR HEARTS.AND, WE KNOW THAT FATHER IS HOLDING YOU CLOSE TO HIS PRECIOUS BREAST, AS IN PSALMS 91, V.4, AND IS SURROUNDING YOU ALL WITH HIS GUARDIAN ANGELS AS IN V.11. WE WALK THIS PATH TOGETHER. AND, WE PRAY FOR EACH OF YOU TO BE COMFORTED BY THE LOVE WE HAVE FOR EACH OF YOU. AND, THE LOVE OUR FATHER HAS FOR YOU. BROTHER GARY WAS A TRUE MAN OF GOD. AND HIS "SPIRIT MAN" WAS RIGHT THERE TO GUIDE HIS EVERY STEP. AND TO GUIDE EACH OF US. WE ARE ALL SO BLESSED TO HAVE HIM IN OUR LIVES. WHICH SHALL NEVER STOP. FOR, NOW, HE SIMPLY WATCHES OVER ALL OUR FAMILY FROM HOME ON HIGH. THROUGH ALL ETERNITY AND 9 DAYS BEYOND. AND, HIS WORK SHALL CONTINUE. AMEN AND AMEN.I LOVE YOU MY PRECIOUS SISTER. HUG THE FAMILY FOR US.SISTER WILMA, MERRI AND TERRI.SWEET BLESSINGS FROM THE MT.

June 21 at 9:01 AM

SW

**Sheryl Williams** posted:

My prayers go out to the Williamson family at the sudden passing of one of our JHS family, Gary. It was good to be with him at the alumni banquet on Sat. and see and hear of how much Dresden and it's people meant to him growing up there. It is sad for us that it will be his last benediction upon his JHS family.Sincerely,Sheryl Starner Williams

June 21 at 7:33 AM

TW

**Truman Williamson** posted:

Prayers for the family.

June 21 at 7:33 AM



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CP

**Cousin Anita Williamson Palmer** posted:

Thank you Jesus for bringing this amazing man and relative into my life. I am in shock at his sudden passing. And I pray for the comfort of his family in their grief and sorrow.

June 21 at 6:30 AM

MF

**Marcie Jarrell-Fearn** posted:

I only knew Bro. Gary through his online prayer ministry. He was a blessing and will be missed.

June 21 at 1:03 AM

SG

**Selena & Tracy Goff** posted:

Mrs. Williamson and family, Tracy and I are grateful that we got to know Gary. He was a great warrior for our Lord and spoke about his concern for people needing the Lord quite often. He was a true man of God and didn't care to tell whoever you were that God was his savior and King. He is going to be missed by so many people and he has touched so many lives and made them better. We pray for peace for you all. Know he is with his King now and he is done with the mission he was here to do.

June 20 at 4:55 PM

HD

**Harley Dakin** posted:

Effie and family, I am grateful that I got to know cousin Gary, He was very special to all of us at the Williamson family reunion. I will forever remember his eagerness to meet new family members and his willingness to share love of the lord with his cousins. Always a prayer warrior and a prayer for all of us. If we could all reach the level of faith in the power of prayer that cousin Gary had, the world would be a better place to live. We will miss you brother. I will always remember his phone calls when he would address me as brother cousin Harley. We always laughed and he would end the call with a prayer. It always lifted me up and made my day. I am looking forward to the time when we can pray again with cousin Phyllis like we did so many times on the phone. God bless and keep all of you who have had the honor to know Gary.

June 20 at 3:39 PM



DW

**David, Peggy & Sarah Williamson** posted:

We are saddened to hear of Gary's passing and our thoughts and prayers are with Effie and the family. Cousin Gary will be missed by the Williamson Reunion families. Each year, he poured his soul into the annual Williamson Family Reunion in St. Marys, WV--most recently this past Saturday, June 15, 2013. Reunions were special to him because they were an important link to his past and present extended family. Gary loved everyone he met and we will forever remember his smile and enthusiasm for life and the ministry. Thank you, Effie and family, for sharing Gary with all of us. May God's richest blessings of hope and love sustain all of you at this time!

June 20 at 11:42 AM

ML

**Mary Jo And Paul Lacey** posted:

To all of Gary's families, friends and parishoners. Mary Jo and I were truly sorry to hear of Gary's passing. One thing was constant about Gary. Upon seeing him he always had a bright smile, an extended hand and a warm embrace. We last saw him 3 years ago at the Alumni Banquet in Dresden. It was heart warming to see Gary so content with his station in life and doing God's work. Mary Jo and I extend our sympathies to his family members and his church family. He obviously touched many lives. Blessings to all.

June 20 at 11:23 AM

JM

**Jim Mullinnex** posted:

I was sorry to hear about the passing of Gary. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

June 20 at 11:06 AM

MP

**Melanie Preece** posted:

Gary was one of a kind. He was never too busy to stop and give a kind word, or pray for someone. Its a great loss for our local church and the Kingdom of God because Garys' whole purpose in life was to make an impact on the world for Jesus. He also served on the Ministers' board at the hospital I work in and will be greatly missed. If I can be of assistance to the family, Effie, I would be honored. Love and Prayers, Melanie Preece

June 20 at 6:05 AM



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**Tabernacleworldchurch Tabernacle** posted:

We pray that in this time of loss, You'll feel God's love much more  
And that you'll find your comfort  
In the presence of the Lord  
We pray God pours upon you, His sweet amazing grace  
And overflow your heart with peace  
As you live in His embrace. May God bless and keep you

June 19 at 5:21 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

So very sorry to hear of Gary's passing. My prayers to Effie & family for God's strength during this trying time. Gary, was a special soldier for the Lord and Heaven has gained another angel.  
Kimberly Little, Prestonsburg, KY

June 19 at 5:19 PM



**Dale & Teresa Williamson** posted:

So sorry to hear of Gary's passing. Just saw him Saturday. His work was done and the lord needed him. Your in our thoughts and prayers

June 19 at 4:05 PM



**Barbara Williams** posted:

Dear Sister Effie, It is with great sadness that I write this message to you. I have loved Brother Gary with a sisterly love since I joined Worldwide Intercessors.... I love the way he would refer to you as "bone of his bones"... how he loves you! He will be first in line to greet you when you go to Heaven! Oh how he loves people! He was online late so many nights sending out prayer needs and updates! How he suffered when one of our "children" passed into Heaven... but I know that they all surrounded him as he entered those pearly gates, and greeted him with hugs! I can see him playing with the children he loved so much! I miss him so much, his presence was felt in our home every night as each prayer need came in... but we will meet him again as he greets each one of us when we arrive! Sister Barb  
Daughter of Zion  
Worldwide Intercessors

June 19 at 3:24 PM



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DB

**Deborah Butler** posted:

To Sister Effie and family:my name is Debbie butler, and I have been a member of the praying intercessors for some years. I want you to know that Brother Gary helped me many times when I was troubled, and he called me two times to pray with and for me. He actually purchased a prayer shawl and sent it to me, and I wear it often when I pray. What a blessing Brother Gary was!!! I will miss his Godly wisdom, and his love for other people. May God bless you, Sister Effie, and hold you close as you journey through the days ahead. I know He will!Yours in Christ,debbie butlerRemember-Jesus loves you, and so do !!

June 19 at 3:21 PM

JG

**Janet Hains-Griesen** posted:

May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.

June 19 at 3:16 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Gary by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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