



Gary S. Buzalewski

November 23, 1954 - July 29, 2011

Gary S. Buzalewski, 56, of Benton, died Friday afternoon, July 29, 2011 at Geisinger Medical Center, Danville.

Born November 23, 1954 in Reading, Berks County, he was a son of the late Edward W. and Natalie J. (Dombrowski) Buzalewski. He and his wife, Diane M. (Lewis) Buzalewski would have celebrated their 16th wedding anniversary on August 12th.

He was a 1972 graduate of Central Catholic High School in Reading and had also taken some trade school courses following high school.

Mr. Buzalewski was employed by GE Water as a field service representative. He had previously worked for the ATT/Lucent/Agere Company in Reading.

He attended Christ the King Roman Catholic Church in Benton and also visited Christ United Methodist Church in the Village of Central.

An avid hunter, he was a member of the Safari Club and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. He loved to hunt and travel and his passion for hunting took him all over the world on hunting trips.

He had a love for life and nature and lived life to the fullest. Gary always had a

smile on his face and never met a stranger he didn't like. "To the world he was just Gary, but to us, he was the world".

Surviving, in addition to his wife, Diane, are his sister, Linda J. Kolasinski, of Reading; a brother, David J. Buzalewski and his wife, Grazyna, of Leesport; his sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Deb and Jack Rinker, of Muncy and his mother-in-law, Priscilla A. Lewis, of Proctor, as well as numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife, Joann L. (Wityczak) Buzalewski in 1989.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Thursday at 10:30 A. M. at Christ The King Catholic Church, Mendenhall Lane, Benton, with Father Timothy D. Marcoe, as Celebrant. Burial will be in Barbours Cemetery, Lycoming County. A Viewing will be held Wednesday from 5 to 8 PM at the McMichael Funeral Home, Inc., 4394 Red Rock Road, Benton (Rt. 487).

Previous Events

Service

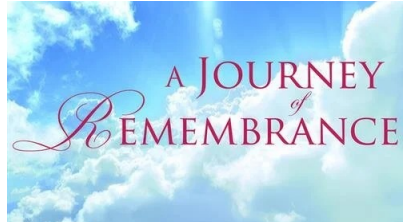
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Christ The King Catholic Church
Mendenhall Lane
Benton, PA

Tribute Wall



“ *McMichael Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gary S. Buzalewski*



McMichael Funeral Home, Inc. - July 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Everyone here at Safari Outfitters in Cody, Wyoming send their condolences to Gary's family. We only knew him a short time when we arranged the trip to Mongolia for Gary and his wife. Daryl Southwick was kind enough to advise us of Gary's passing. God bless all##imported-begin##Gretchen Stark##imported-end##*

August 10, 2011 at 12:45 PM



“ *Diane, I just learned of Gary's passing. Please accept our sincere condolences. While I never had the pleasure of meeting him in person, our long conversations and his passion for adventure and the great outdoors always showed through. Our thoughts are with you and your family. Clark & the staff at Safari Outfitters.##imported-begin##Clark Jeffs##imported-end##*

August 10, 2011 at 12:25 PM



“ Dear Diane,
I know there are no words I can say to make you feel better. Im so sorry for your loss Diane, I have always liked you as a person and I cant even imagine what you must be going through...I want you to know you are in my prayers.
Sincerely
Rita.##imported-begin##Rita Reader##imported-end##

August 05, 2011 at 02:23 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers will be with Diane,David and Linda everyday.
Gary was a very big part of my life as well as my family. After all, we have been together since we were 12 years old. As we all have suffered losses throughout the years and there will sadly be more. I lost my only brother over 34 years ago and now I have lost someone who was as much like my brother to me as anyone could be. Time as they say will heal all wounds and to a degree that will take place but the memories and the bond we had will never leave my heart. Gary and I had too many memories together to mention but I always remember those few special days that it would be just him and I a lot of times just doing nothing but on many occasions he would turn to me and say:" James, this is one of those days that only you and I could have together,its almost like the world stopped to let us have this day together." It felt to me like it did as well. Those are the days that I will cherish for the rest of my life and everytime I take to the outdoors he will be with me in my heart. This was who Gary Buzalewski was to those of us who were lucky enough to have him touch our lives and allow us in his. As another James said: There is nothing like the smell of September Grass or the feeling of October Road when you travel it with your Brother.##imported-begin##James Joseph##imported-end##

August 05, 2011 at 11:53 AM



“ Dear Linda and David,
We are very sorry to hear of the loss of your brother, peace and strength in knowing another angel has been called home. Our thoughts and prayers are with you both. God Bless You.##imported-begin##John and Pam Iwanyszyn##imported-end##

August 04, 2011 at 01:01 PM



“ I will miss getting to talk and work with Gary. He was a good man and will be missed. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family. See you on the other side Buzz...##imported-begin##Jason Cooper##imported-end##

August 04, 2011 at 10:47 AM



“ Diane,
Sorry to hear about the loss of your husband. Our thoughts are with you.
God Bless##imported-begin##butch&barb##imported-end##

August 04, 2011 at 09:19 AM



“ Diane, David, Grazyna, and Linda, We are shocked and saddened at the news of Gary passing. We will always cherish the times we spent with him in the mountains, listening to his many hunting stories, his joys his sorrows. He was so full of life that it is hard to imagine trips to our cabin without a visit from him in the future. We will truly miss him.

Sending prayers and love your way

Ross and Christine Radwanski and sons##imported-begin##Christine and Ross Radwanski##imported-end##

August 03, 2011 at 02:06 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Rest in peace Gary.##imported-begin##Dave Evans##imported-end##

August 03, 2011 at 07:39 AM



“ MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE WITH GARYS FAMILY.I HAD THE PLEASURE OF WORKING WITH AND (HAVING A FEW BEERS WITH)GARY IN THE BOILER ROOM AT AT&T. REST IN PEACE GARY. PAT DOUGHERTY##imported-begin##PATRICK DOUGHERTY##imported-end##

August 02, 2011 at 07:51 PM



“ Diane,we are so sorry for your loss.You all are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.love Kristy and Jay##imported-begin##Kristy Kent and Jay Boehmer##imported-end##

August 02, 2011 at 07:05 PM



“ We will miss Gary at Fairchild Semiconductor. He took great care of our ultrapure water system. He was very conscientious and professional. We'll miss his sense of humor and friendliness. Our sincere condolences to his family and friends on all our loss.##imported-begin##Jeff Lauffer##imported-end##

August 02, 2011 at 04:46 PM



“ Diane,

So sorry to hear about Gary. Please know our thoughts and prayers are with you. If there's anything you need, please let us know.

Sincerely,

Ron,Loraine and Sam Snell##imported-begin##Loraine Snell##imported-end##

August 02, 2011 at 04:10 PM



“ To Diane and Family, I had the pleasure of working with Gary in GE. We always had a great time working through it. We will keep you in our prayers. Greg##imported-begin##Greg Morrison##imported-end##

August 02, 2011 at 09:42 AM



“ Only knew Gary for a few years, he was our service rep. I will miss talking and hearing from Gary every month. So sorry for your sudden loss, way too young.##imported-begin##Dwight##imported-end##

August 02, 2011 at 08:11 AM



“ dianne, this is phil from k-mart. i just learned of you're loss. so sorry to hear that gary ha passedd. you take car and remember all the good times you both had.##imported-begin##philip freeman##imported-end##

August 01, 2011 at 08:59 PM



“ Do widzenia Gary, till we meet again. I'll allway remember you as the one to try and teach me polish.

You will be missed##imported-begin##Mike Zielewicz##imported-end##

August 01, 2011 at 05:59 PM



“ Diny... I wish I had the power to ease the pain of losing Gary. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers. He was the best host to us as we all gathered together to just be Family. I have some good memories and I know you have some fabulous ones that can't be taken away. I know he was greeted by many as he left us, and they are glad to see him. You were lucky to have such a great person in your life, now you have another angel watching over you.... All my love....Rose##imported-begin##Rose Stoudt##imported-end##

August 01, 2011 at 12:58 PM



“ *Rest in Peace, Gary! You went through so much in the few years you walked this earth, but you handled everything with dignity and faith. You brightened many of my days with your smile and that mischievous little smirk only you could make! The CCHS Class of '72 has one more angel to watch over us...God Bless You my old friend!*

From Dawn##imported-begin##Dawn Miller-Wert##imported-end##

August 01, 2011 at 08:53 AM



“ *There are no words that can convey the shock when I read about Gary's passing. I worked with Gary at the vo-tech school. I'm still there. He was always a fun, smiling person. Please accept my heartfelt sorrow for your loss.##imported-begin##Barbara Kline Geisler##imported-end##*

August 01, 2011 at 08:45 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all the family and friends of Gary. It is a tragic and painful loss to all that knew and loved him.##imported-begin##Susan (Joseph) Herb##imported-end##*

August 01, 2011 at 07:52 AM



“ Dear Diane and Family,

We were shocked and saddened to hear of Gary's passing. Our hearts ache for all of you. We pray that all of the wonderful memories that you have will give you the strength to keep putting one foot in front of the other. Gary has taught us that we should appreciate and value each new day that we have been blessed with.

With love from,

Ron & Carol Birdsall (and family)###imported-begin##Ronald and Carol Birdsall###imported-end##

August 01, 2011 at 06:59 AM



“ Dear Diane and Family; We were so sorry to hear about Gary. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Howie, Donetta and Ryan Yost###imported-begin##Donetta Yost###imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 11:29 PM



“ Diane,
I am so sorry for you loss. I pray that God comfort will surround you in this time of great loss.

Donna Houser###imported-begin##Donna Houser###imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 10:31 PM



“ I only recently had the pleasure of meeting Gary. It was only for a couple minutes, but there was laughter the whole time. I am so sorry to hear of your loss, and I will keep you and your family in my prayers in this difficult time.##imported-begin##Marcy Bird##imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 08:38 PM



“ Hi Diane
I am so sorry for your lost, Gary was a nice guy and fun loving. He always treated my Mom and Dad (Jacob and Mary Janney) with respect.
With my condolence.
Sandy Rosenberger##imported-begin##Sandy Rosenberger##imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 06:32 PM



“ Dear Diane & Family:

Please accept my sincerest condolences on the sudden passing of your husband, Gary. Wishing you God's Peace both now and in the coming months.

Jeanne##imported-begin##Jeanne Kashner##imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 06:20 PM



“ Dear Linda and David,
Our hearts go out to you.
Mariola and Jerry Majka##imported-begin##Gerard and Mariola
Majka##imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 04:40 PM



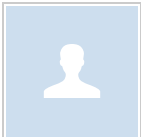
“ Dear Diane,
We are very very sorry to hear about Gary. Our prayers are with
you.
Mariola and Jerry Majka##imported-begin##Gerard and Mariola
Majka##imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 04:38 PM



“ Rest in eternal peace, Gary.##imported-begin##Patricia Baumener
(Skoraszewski)##imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 12:18 PM



“ As you comprehend this profound loss, let yourself cry knowing
each tear is a note of love rising to the heavens. My thoughts are
with all of you.##imported-begin##Sheryl Hunter##imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 09:44 AM



“ **LETTER FROM HEAVEN:**
PLEASE DELIVER TO LINDA AND DAVID ASAP

*To my dearest family,
Some things I'd like to say...but first of all, to let you know, that I arrived okay.
I'm writing this from heaven, here I dwell with God above..here, there's no more tears of sadness, just eternal love.
Please do not be unhappy just because I'm out of sight. Remember that I'm with you every morning, noon and night.
That day I had to leave you when my life on earth was through, God picked me up and hugged me and He said, "I welcome you."
"It's good to have you back again, you were missed while you were gone.
As for your dearest family, they'll be here later on. I need you here badly, you're part of my plan, there's so much we have to do, to help our mortal man."
God gave me a list of things, that he wished for me to do, and foremost on the list, was to watch and care for you. And when you lie in bed at night, the day's chores put to flight, God and I are closest to you..in the middle of the night.
When you think of my life on earth, and all those loving years, because you are only human, they are bound to bring you tears. But do not be afraid to cry; it does relieve the pain. Remember there would be no flowers, unless there was some rain.
I wish that I could tell you all that God has planned. But if I were to tell you, you wouldn't understand. But one thing is for certain, though my life on earth is over. I'm closer to you now, than I ever was before.
There are many rocky roads ahead of you and many hills to climb, but together we can do it by taking one day at a time. It was always my philosophy and I'd like it for you too...that as you give unto the world, the world will give to you.
If you can help somebody who's in sorrow and pain, then you can say to God at night.."My day was not in vain." And now I am contented..that my life has been worthwhile, knowing as I passed*

along the way, I made somebody smile.

So if you meet somebody who is sad and feeling low, just lend a hand to pick him up, as on your way you go.

Linda and David....when you're walking down the street, and you've got me on your mind..I'm walking in your footsteps only half a step behind.

And when it's time for you to go..from that body to be free, remember you're not going.....you're coming here to me.

LOVE.....##imported-begin##Susie##imported-end##

July 31, 2011 at 05:53 AM



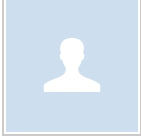
“ *My sincerest condolences to all of Gary's family and friends. Although it's been quite a while since I've seen Gary, I had known him since the early days at St. Mary's School in East Reading...and have thought of him many times since then. He was a fun kid back then and it appears that his smile continues to light the hearts of many. He will be missed but will live on in our memories. Rest In Peace, Gary.##imported-begin##Marie Reifsnyder##imported-end##*

July 30, 2011 at 09:49 PM



“ *Diane,we are so sad for the loss of Gary,and share in your grief.We are here for you,and may God comfort you..Love Robin & Rick##imported-begin##Robin & Rick Kent##imported-end##*

July 30, 2011 at 09:43 PM



“ Dear Linda,

We were shocked and saddened by the sudden loss of your brother Gary. I know how close you were and how hard the last couple of years have been for you. Hold on to the memories. I will keep you and David in my prayers that you will get through this very difficult time in your life. ~hugs~##imported-begin##Pat & Bill Walton##imported-end##

July 30, 2011 at 08:36 PM