



## Gary W. Lynch

January 14, 1947 - January 4, 2021

Gary W. Lynch, 73, of Kearney, passed away Monday, January 4, 2021 in Englewood, CO. Memorial Services will be on Saturday, January 9, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at First United Methodist Church in Kearney. Rev. Melody Adams will officiate and burial will be at a later date. The memorial service will be live streamed and can be viewed by visiting the church website at [www.kearneyfirstumc.org](http://www.kearneyfirstumc.org) There will be no visitation. Masks are required for those attending the service. Memorials are suggested to the family, to be designated later. Online condolences may be submitted by visiting [www.hlmkfuneral.com](http://www.hlmkfuneral.com). Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney is in charge of arrangements.

Gary "Wren" Lynch was born in Hastings, NE on Jan 14, 1947 to Gerald and Catherine (Roffers) Lynch. He graduated from high school in Hastings before attending Kearney State College where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in education. After teaching for a short time, he then began a career in insurance until his retirement. Although retired, he worked part time for Yellow Van Cleaning Services in sales and marketing where he was currently employed.

He married Carol Tice in Lincoln on August 15th, 1970. They lived in Kearney where they raised 2 daughters. He spent the majority of his free time in the company of his friends while hunting, fishing, and golfing. He and Carol were

members of the Kearney Country Club for nearly 50 years. More recently, he became a charter member of Awarii Dunes Golf Club. Most of all, he loved spending time with his four grandkids.

Surviving relatives include his sister, Lori Wilwerding of Omaha, NE; daughters, Jenny Lynch and her husband Jaime Rogers and their children, Oakes and Indie Rogers all of Englewood, CO., and Taryn Schwartz and her husband Ryan and their children, Aubrey and Bennett all of Kearney.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents, Gerald and Catherine Lynch; and his wife, Carol Lynch

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JAN 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church  
4500 Linden Drive  
Kearney, NE 68847

# Tribute Wall



“ Gary W. Lynch

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



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**Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services** - January 11, 2021 at 11:46 AM



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**Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services** - January 11, 2021 at 11:31 AM

CH

“ Jenny and Taryn: Gary and I grew up together, we were cousins on your Grandpa's side. It seemed at least three times a year, when you girls were growing up that Gary & I would visit about how you girls were growing up, as well as my children growing up. Gary would drive up to my place or I would be in Kearney and we would meet, laugh together, wonder together about our kids and talk about life's changes. When the first cousin passed away due to a car accident. Gary & I talked for a couple of hours over the phone. I could ramble on for a book, but that's not correct. You Dad was a great friend of mine as well as my cousin. I will miss him always. Prayers to you girls & your families. Charlie Harris

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**Charlie Harris** - January 10, 2021 at 04:40 PM

RC

“ Lori and Family Such a wonderful family too. I looked forward to coming to Hasting every summer to spend a couple of weeks with Uncle Gerald, Aunt Catherine and Gary. You weren't born yet. Never got to spend much time with Gary once we were all married and gone from home. I know he was a great brother, husband and father. Miss those younger days. Too bad we have to grow up. Please hugg his girls for me. Parting isn't easy but they are still around us if we are open to that. Love you all.

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**ROSALENE K VAN CLEAVE** - January 10, 2021 at 04:13 PM

DB

“ Jenny and Taryn: Mary & I are so sorry that we were unable to be with you today at Wren's service. We watched the stream and he would have been so proud of both of you. At Kearney Country Club your dad and several of us guys met at least once, and sometimes twice a week to play golf and have a beer. And, in all of those years, I cannot remember a time when your dad had to buy a round...since he won most of the time. And even when he didn't win the partnerships, he won the side games he devised. You dad was a Winner. I truly will miss Wren.  
Steve and Mary Bennett

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**Dr. Steven Bennett** - January 09, 2021 at 03:20 PM

RL

“ Family of Gary Wren Lynch  
Gwen and I were so shocked to hear of Gary's sudden passing. He was a fun loving guy and a joy to be around. We shared many golf trips together and had a blast. He did hate to lose money. He was an excellent free throw shooter, shuffle board player and dart thrower. We also shared many ski trips when the Platte Valley Ski Club was active. good skier as well. We are in Florida and could not attend in person but at least in Spirit we are with you. We watched the service online and were so impressed with you girl's tributes. What a fine family. We send our condolences and prayers to all of you. May God's mercy and love help you through this difficult time.  
Rick and Gwen Luth.

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**richard Luth** - January 09, 2021 at 12:09 PM

DB

“ To the family of Gary and Carol. Girls ,you did a awesome job talking about your dad, a most difficult thing to do at the time. You were right. There wasn't a person who he met that was not a friend. He was always the same. We would have been at the service other than the concern of the various. You are strong, carry on. Please accept Barb and my sympathy.

*Dick and Barb Beechner*

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**Dick Beechner** - January 09, 2021 at 11:55 AM

MS

“ I grew up with Gary (my cousin) just a couple houses away in Hastings. He was 9 years older than me, but always had the time to take part in whatever the neighborhood kids were doing. He actually taught me to play baseball. When I was up to bat he would stand behind me and yell "swing!" when the pitch was right. Gary will be missed.

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**Monte Salisbury** - January 09, 2021 at 10:38 AM

JG

“ I was truly blessed to have gotten to know gary for the last 8 years. He had such a welcoming presence about him,always showed gratitude towards me either at work or playing golf,I will miss him dearly. Take care my friend ,may you look down on us and always shed some of that wonderful energy you always had.



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**Jay Grimes** - January 09, 2021 at 10:33 AM

KM

“ Jenny & Taryn, I know this will be no surprise to you, but I always appreciated your dad being a kind, hospitable, gentle guy who always had a smile for me and/or anyone he met! We are so saddened by your loss. May the good memories help to carry you and the grandkids through this difficult time!  
Ken & Bonnie Mumm

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**Ken Mumm** - January 08, 2021 at 08:00 PM

ST

“ I was blessed to get to know Gary over the last several years. He always had a gentle heart and welcoming smile. He enjoyed laughter and being around friends (and of course golf). Besides Joe (the cat) liked him so that make him ok in my book. :) Grateful to have met him.



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**Shana Thomas** - January 08, 2021 at 12:33 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary W. Lynch.



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January 07, 2021 at 09:12 PM

DE

“ I met Gary a few years ago while working at my first insurance agency. He was such a sweet, kind and funny man. Always quick with a smile and a joke. He will be deeply missed. My deepest condolences to his family and friends.

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**Dee** - January 07, 2021 at 05:09 PM

JH

“ Gary and I were friends and classmates.  
We had a lot of fun in High School.  
Gary and I would cross paths a couple times a year💔  
Prayers for all of you🙏  
Jim Heyen  
Class of of 1965

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**Jim Heyen** - January 07, 2021 at 02:08 PM

FN

“ FAITH NELSON lit a candle in memory of  
Gary W. Lynch



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**FAITH NELSON** - January 07, 2021 at 12:15 PM

MS

“ We always think of Wren with a smile on his face and a twinkle in his eye. Our most treasured memories of all of our years in Kearney always include Carol, Wren, Jenny, and Taryn. Thursday night sand volleyball games, St Patty’s Day parties, Thanksgiving gatherings, Fourth of July festivities, graduations, weddings, and “garage time” were always more fun because the Lynchs were there! I’ll forever hear Carol saying, “Gary Lynch” whenever she talked to or about Wren. We love you all and pray we get to see you again, Carol and Gary, for a “cold one” and lots of laughs 😊  
Marie & Kevin Sullivan

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Marie Sullivan - January 07, 2021 at 11:58 AM