

We Entrust

Father. we entrust Gary to your mercy. you loved him dearly in this life: now that he is freed from all its cares, give him happiness and peace forever. The old order has passed away: welcome him how into paradise where there will be no more sorrow,

no more weeping or pain, but only peace and joy with Jesus, your Son, and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen.



IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Gary Roland Deal

WHO WAS BORN August 15, 1943 Big Stone County, Minnesota

AND CALLED TO HIS ETERNAL HOME December 24, 2019 Saint Cloud, Minnesota

FUNERAL SERVICE Friday, January 3, 2020 - 3:30 p.m. Trinity Lutheran Church Odessa, Minnesota

> OFFICIANT Pastor John Ramsbacher

> > ORGANIST Pat Radtke

CASKET BEARERS Vanessa Reese | Todd Deal | Howard Paulsen Monte Reese | Adam Kusler | Robert Kadelbach

> INTERMENT At A Later Date Hope Cemetery Odessa, Minnesota

APPRECIATION

Gary's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your many expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the service, please join the family for food and fellowship in the church fellowship hall.

> **ARRANGEMENTS BY** Mundwiler and Larson Funeral Home Ortonville, Minnesota

Gary Roland Deal was born on August 15, 1943, in Big Stone County, MN. He was the son of Donald and Wanda (Paulsen) Deal. He attended Odessa High School.

Gary joined the United States Army right out of high school because of his pride in his country and his sense of duty. He bravely served two tours in Vietnam from 1961 to 1968, attaining the rank of Staff Sergeant. Later in life, Gary developed neurofibroma, a condition that resulted in much of his body being inundated with skin lesions and believed to be caused by Agent Orange. After his honorable discharge, he returned to Minnesota and worked for 33 years at Tennant Company in Golden Valley in the shipping department.

Gary was united in marriage with Judy Rockweiler in 1974, and was blessed with a daughter, Molly.

Gary enjoyed visiting with friends, collecting baseball cards, photography, and working with and on electronics, the latter of which he did professionally for 15 years. While he was physically able, Gary loved to travel. One of his traveling passions was to visit as many towns or cities named Odessa as he could. While no one is quite sure just how many village namesakes he made it to, best estimates are that it was seven or eight. Those who knew and loved him will miss his good nature, his love of children and family, and his generosity.

Cherishing the memory of Gary are his sister, Dawn Deal-Dahle of Aberdeen, SD; brother, Todd Deal of Virginia, MN; seven nieces and nephews: Vanessa (Monte) Reese, Howard (Roshanda) Paulsen, Michelle (Sev) Wollschlager, Brian Comeau, Niketa (Adam) Kusler, and Kent Severson; and many great-nieces and great-nephews.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Sandra; and many of his Vietnam brothers in arms.

L he Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousnes for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me: thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

