



Gary Brookshire

Sept. 1, 1943 - May 24, 2025

Gary Brookshire, 81 of Valdese, passed away, Saturday, May 24, 2025. Born on September 1, 1943, he was the son of the late W.N and Dorothy Brookshire. Gary was a member of High Peak Baptist Church. He was a school principal with 40 years in administration. He loved to work outside and being a handyman around the house. Gary loved to eat and try new foods. He graduated from Mars Hill in 1965 and received a Masters Degree from Western Carolina University.

Gary is survived by his wife of 58 years, Linda Fox Brookshire; daughter, Christa Bailey (Dan) of Jacksonville, FL; son, Brannon Woodrow Brookshire (Saori) of Jacksonville, FL; 7 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Gary was preceded in death by his brother, David Brookshire.

The family will receive friends from 11am until noon, Saturday, May 31, 2025 at High Peak Baptist Church. A memorial service will follow at noon in the church with the Rev. Shane Ramsey officiating.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Visitation

May 31, 2025
11 a.m. - noon

High Peak Baptist Church

High Peak Baptist Church

Service

May 31, 2025

noon

High Peak Baptist Church

Tribute Wall

—Yvette Gleason



Gary, You gave many laughs to everyone. My favorite times of happiness were when u & ur brother, David, were together. The two of you were a comedy duo. You were a loving brother-in-law to me. You will be missed, but you will live on in my heart. The energy in Heaven is going to be a fun vibration with the two of you together. I send lots of love & prayers of peace plus comfort to Linda, Christa, Brannon, all the grandchildren & great grandchildren.

—Martha Brookshire



Prayers Love Hugs Linda and family In the Arms of Jesus
We have a promise Thank you Lotd

—DeAnne Morrow



Gary was a great principal at Gorman Christian Academy in Durham, NC. He and Linda worked together to inspire the students and the teachers. He was also a friend. Praying for Linda and the family.

—Phyllis Morriss

—Gwen Hargett



Sending all my love and comfort to the family. I will forever remember Uncle Gary's wonderful spirit and his ability to tell a joke and lighten any room he entered. He and my dad were always so fun to watch together and I know they're gonna have a great reunion with many laughs to follow. Uncle Gary I love you and will never forget your kind heartedness, and will always remember your sweet hugs and "how you doing girl?" whenever we got to see each other. I hope your next journey is everything you deserve and more. As Meme always said we will keep on keeping on but you will be forever loved and missed. Xo

—Dayci Brookshire