



Garry Mark LeFevre

September 27, 2021

Garry Mark LeFevre, 75, of Lancaster, PA, passed away on Monday, September 27, 2021 after a long battle with cancer. Born in Lancaster, he was the son of the late Robert W. Lefever and Evelyn Eager.

He graduated with a bachelor's degree in Political Science from UC Berkley. After twenty years in commercial banking in Lancaster, Garry earned his Master's of Divinity at Andover Newton School of Theology. He served as a minister for the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Columbia, MD and later the Grafton Upton Unitarian Universalist Church in Grafton, MA. Garry was a member of the Lancaster Democratic Committee, the Torch Club, and an officer with the Housing Development Corporation.

Garry is survived by his son, Garry Mark LeFevre, Jr. and his sister, Velda Emonds.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, October 9, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. at The Groff's Family Funeral Home, 528 W. Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603. Friends are welcome to greet the family from 1:00 p.m. until the start of service.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Hospice & Community Care.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 9. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ I was saddened when I heard of Garry's passing. He was such a good person and inspiring as a spiritual guide. I knew Garry when he was Interim Minister at Channing Memorial Church, Ellicott City, in the early to mid '90s. I saw an announcement in our local newspaper that Garry would be teaching a course, and I was in need of support after the death of my mother. Garry was so caring and comforting that I decided to come to several services at Channing, after which I decided to become active and a member. One of my favorite Garry stories was when he was having a class on Buddhism and he wanted to show us what "being in the moment" was all about, so he had about 6 of us go to his home and divide the cleaning chores, emphasizing that we should focus on the task at hand, forgetting anything else on our minds. I told him, as I was laughing, that I thought it was the cheesiest way of having his home cleaned. He looked at me with that sparkle in his eye (if you knew Garry, you know what i mean) and said, "It worked, didn't it?" I will always remember Garry, and will be forever grateful for having him introduce me to UU, where I am currently a member and worship associate for The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship at Salisbury(Maryland).

Ron Pagano - May 30, 2024 at 01:13 PM



“ **Garry Mark LeFevre**

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM

GD

“ I'm sad to learn of Gary's passing. We became good friends while serving for many years on the Housing Development Corporation Board of Directors. I found him to be serious yet humorous, with a sharp intellect and wit. We strengthened our friendship when we later connected as fellow Lancaster County Democrats. Gary will be missed by many, and I send my condolences to family and friends alike.

George DiLLIO

George DiLLIO - October 24, 2021 at 04:40 PM

MH

“ Garry was always straight forward. He knew what he was about and was helpful to me.

Thank you for all of your work.

Molly Henderson

Molly Henderson - October 09, 2021 at 12:10 PM

CR

“ Our hearts are broken. The Riveras have fond memories of Garry and his words. He is now at rest from his long battle. Our thoughts are with his family as they celebrate his life and mourn his passing.

Catherine Rivera - October 05, 2021 at 08:04 PM

SS

“ My heart is heavy after learning on Garry's passing. He was a beautiful soul who always made me feel listened to and welcomed. A man with a brain filled with knowledge and a heart filled with love. He will be so very missed.

Stephanie Santiago - October 05, 2021 at 01:55 PM

NS

“ *" Nobody made us feel more welcomed and a part of the UUCL community than Garry. We shared an interest in biblical topics, American History, and the Democratic Party. He had leadership in our Open Table Group and Soul Matters Sessions. Often those serious discussions ended with our sharing a meal and learning more about each other. We are all a part of the people that we meet. We are both better people having met Garry and been able to call him a friend. We live in the dreams of those we have known ,we have loved and who have loved us. God's Speed Norman and Dottie Saunders"*

Norman &Dottie Saunders - October 04, 2021 at 01:54 PM

PH

“ *We are so sorry to hear about Garry. We could always look forward to a great conversation when our paths crossed. We have great memories of him playing volleyball at the Eager family reunions. With our deepest sympathy,*
Steve and Pam Hess

Pam Hess - October 04, 2021 at 12:19 PM

CC

“ Garry will be greatly missed by many people at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Lancaster. Garry was a member there since the early seventies. Many people remember the many kindnesses he performed and the blessings be brought to many people over the years. Recently Garry gave a two hour presentation of early American history and brought it right down to the Lefevre family in Lancaster County. His stamina was amazing just a few short weeks ago. No one told a better story than Garry. His timing and embellishments were perfect. He was always so grateful for the smallest things people might do for him from sending cards to bringing meals. I served with him on the church's Caring Committee for many years. He was chair of that committee for two years recently. I send my sympathy and blessings to Garry's friends and family. And deep appreciation to his sister, Velda who took great care and brought much love to his life since birth. Blessings, Carole Campbell

Carole Campbell - October 03, 2021 at 11:27 AM

DT

“ I am so saddened to hear of Garry's passing. I knew him because of his work with the Lancaster City Democrats. He was an active committee person for many years. I enjoyed his wit, his intellectual capacity and his stories. He will be greatly missed by all of us.
Diane Topakian
Chair, Lancaster County Democratic Committee

DIANE Marie TOPAKIAN - October 03, 2021 at 09:48 AM