



Mr. Gary Alfred Collins

June 21, 2015

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“ Gary and I grew up 2 houses apart. Gary was a year older than me so it was natural that we would become the best of friends and spend the majority of our growing years together. During the summer our days were spent in the Danforth Park school yard playing all the games provided at that time by the school board. There weren't the organized team sports as there are today, just a group of kids playing open baseball where everyone took turns at all positions on the field working their way to bat. Whenever there were enough for 2 full teams Gary always made sure that I was not the last player to be chosen.

In the winter we skated at the outdoor rink next to the Kiwanis swimming pool. Gary would check to make sure my skates were laced tight so that I would not go over on my ankles....that was Gary.

As we grew up, married and moved away we would only see each other if we happened to be visiting our parents at the same time. When my father died and my mother moved regrettably I lost all contact with Gary.

Pat, in reading of the life that you had together it appeared to be exactly the type of life Gary always wanted and deserved, he was one great guy! You were very fortunate to have him in your life for all those years.

Thank you for providing the opportunity to reflect on my time with Gary.

My thoughts are with you at this time.

Verna Johnston nee Grant (yes a voice from the very distant past.)

Verna Johnston (Grant) - July 05, 2015 at 09:38 AM

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“ On behalf of Ken Collins (Gary's older brother), Barbara Snelling (nee Collins, Ken's daughter and Gary's niece), Barbara's husband David and their children Terilyn and Darryl Snelling, we wish to express our deepest condolences on Gary's passing.

My father shares many fond memories of his younger brother growing up on Oak Park in East York and also remembers them spending time with his Aunt Daisy (his mother's sister (Minnie)) and also time spent with Thelma and Harold Carnell.

He certainly will be missed by many, but is not alone as he is with many of our family members who have passed before him. Namely his parents Charles Alfred Collins and Minnie Collins (nee Rush).

God Bless!

Love,

Ken, Barbara, Daivd, Terilyn and Darryl

Barbara Snelling - June 30, 2015 at 02:58 PM

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“ *I worked with Gary for many years at Revenue Canada. It was a pleasure to talk to him about life and to share the odd lunch at the King Eddy on King Street. While we had our youth growing up in East York in common, Gary's easy-going nature made it easy to be his friend. God speed to your next destination Gary. Paul Volk.*

Paul Volk - June 27, 2015 at 04:54 PM



“ *I remember good times at Bluewater Beach with Gary & my sister, Lynda Carnell. This would be back in the 50's. Gary was my Grandmother Daisy Redshaw's (nee Rush) nephew. I do remember that he was very active in sports, especially tennis. Richard Carnell, Chatham, Ontario. My father was Harold Carnell, mother Thelma Redshaw.*

Sue Carnell - June 27, 2015 at 12:19 PM

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“ *Gary will be surely missed by his friends and members at the North Toronto Stamp Club.*

May he rest in peace..

North-Toronto-Stamp-Club Stamp Club - June 25, 2015 at 03:38 AM