



Gary Lee Taylor

April 27, 1950 - February 2, 2026

It is with great sadness that we mourn the passing of Gary Lee Taylor, 75, of Chambersburg, PA. He passed away at his home, surrounded by the comfort of his family, on February 2, 2026. He was born on April 27, 1950, in Chambersburg, PA.

Gary will be lovingly remembered by his devoted wife of 47 years, Vickie Taylor; his children, Janet Coddington, his beloved "babygirl"; Tytus Taylor (Hollie); Marcus Taylor (Mary); Vagus Taylor; and Matthew Brown, who was as much a son to him as his own. He is also survived by his siblings, Christine Baker (Bryce) and Charles Taylor Jr.(Carrie); and his cherished grandchildren, Kaimarcus Gardner, Khania Gardner, Tarryn Taylor, Charlie Taylor, Zaria Taylor, Zahir Taylor, Vanessa Reptin, Nazeer Taylor, Kady Taylor, Eli Tlanda, and Avi Tlanda. Gary is further survived by his mother-in-law, Doris Cave, along with a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and great-grandchildren who will miss him dearly.

Gary was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Estella Taylor; his brother, Rob Taylor; his sister, Carolyn Duckery; and his two children, Shayn Williams and Malayna Taylor.

As a young man, Gary was a standout athlete at Chambersburg High School, proudly competing on the football, basketball, and track and field teams.

According to Tom Carroll, his football coach and a friend afterward, Gary was the first Trojan to rush for 1,000 yards. After graduating high school in 1969, Gary chased adventure. He attended Woodstock with his dear friend,

Raymond Beaver, and later hitchhiked across the country before returning home to serve in the U.S. Army. Once his service ended, Gary made his home in Chambersburg, married Vickie, and proudly raised his three sons. He spent much of his working life in commercial construction. A lifelong sports fan, Gary was especially passionate about the Florida Gators. One of his traditions was bringing his Gators flag to his son's house and proudly posting it in the front yard while the game was on.

Gary's legacy lives on through the stories, laughter, and memories shared by those who loved him.

The family invites you to honor Gary's memory by sharing your time and stories at his celebration of life, to be held on March 14, 2026, from 1:00-4:00 PM at the Hume McNeal Byers Jr. AMVETS Post 224 on 5th Avenue in Chambersburg, PA.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAR **14**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM.

Hume McNeal Byers Jr. AMVETS Post 224

Tribute Wall



“ *I'm so sorry cuz. Hard to believe. Condolences to the family. You will be missed. Love always your cousin Anita Johnson (Scott)*

Anita Johnson - February 08 at 01:18 AM



“ *Another GREAT name in the history of Chambersburg High School Blessings to the family and keep on.....keeping on Gary and thanks for all you did for this community*

Emmett Kessinger

Class of 1953 Chambersburg High School

Sherrill Kessinger - February 06 at 10:49 AM



“ *God Bless you Gary..I'm so grateful that we got to meet. just wished we could have had more time together.so proud to call you my uncle.after so many years I finally got to meet you. you were funny and told it like it is, you are ,and will be missed by so many..*

I love you .RIP

Debbie

Debra lester - February 06 at 09:58 AM



Very grateful that we re-connected over the years via text, phone calls & “get togethers”. I feel very fortunate to have been a teammate & friend of Gary Taylor. Probably one of the best running backs in Chambersburg Trojan football history. We'll miss you! Love you brother, RIP. Jim Nelson

Jim Nelson - February 17 at 06:34 PM

AT

“ My favorite uncle I will miss him truly he always made me laugh I have so many good memories of him love you uncle Gary

Aleta E Taylor - February 05 at 08:51 PM

EL

“ Gary was a great and very kind man. Always encouraging me to live my life how I wish and to be the best person possible while doing it. He lived a great life with a lot of love from everyone around him. I wish his soul well.

Eli - February 05 at 07:48 PM

JH

"Little Floyd" (as Tom Carroll called him) was one of the best football players this town ever saw and the best I ever played with. As a JUNIOR (my senior year) he: scored 96 points, ran for 929 yds on 106 carries - an average of 9 yds per carry; had 12 receptions for 280 yds - average of 14 yds per rec. Total of 1200 yds in 10 games, record of 8-1-1. Plus he probably had another 200 in kick returns. This as a junior. I saw him recently after 40 years or so and he very humbly told me he did have over 1000 yds rushing his senior year. Plus he was a helluva guy and teammate; always laughing and smiling. I wish I could have spent an afternoon with him reliving those 'glory days". I told him the last time I saw him - a lot of guys (including me) got college scholarships because of him. I going to miss ol' #40.
RIP

Jack Hamsher - February 15 at 02:05 PM