



## Gary Elmore

March 23, 1960 - November 9, 2013

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Event.observe(window, 'load', googleTranslateElementInit);
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function googleTranslateElementInit() {  
  new google.translate.TranslateElement( {pageLanguage: 'en',  
    multilanguagePage: true}, 'google_translate_element');
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  if (navigator.userAgent && navigator.userAgent.match(/Firefox/)) {  
    // This is a terrible terrible hack, Google Translate blows away the sound on  
    Firefox.
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    // Calling reboot seems to bring it back.
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    soundManager.reboot();
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  }
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Gary Elmore, age 53, of Springboro went home to be with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Saturday, November 9, 2013. Gary touched many lives with his amazing God given talent as an artist and musician. He was preceded in death by his mother, Dora and his sister, Tina. Gary is survived by his father, Charles; son, Noah; sister, Cindy (Kevin) Kuhnash; nieces and nephew, Kali, Kodi, and Kara; and numerous other relatives and friends. Family will greet friends from 11:00-1:00 on Saturday, November 16 at Reis Legacy Center Meyer-Boehmer Funeral Home, 6661 Clyo Rd., Centerville. A Celebration of Gary's life will follow at 1:00 on Saturday at the funeral home. Burial will be at Springboro Cemetery. Gary was a man of deep faith and loved God, his family and his friends. He will be greatly missed.

# Tribute Wall

KB

“ Gary,

*You are my brother. First, brother in Christ, second brother in life. I so much loved having you live with us and be part of our family. Having you with us, in our home, was our special privilege. I only wished that the time with you was longer.*

*You made us feel special when called us your family and our house your home. We wanted it no other way. Your smile, memory and spirit will live with us forever. We love reliving the comedic times you gave us. You made us laugh always. We simply loved having you with us.*

*We love you dearly. Our home will always be your home, our family your family. We are less of a family now with your passing. But, God gave us a special gift in Christ; the promise of our reunion with you, all together again, happy, full of joy, peace, comfort and love. I miss you dearly my brother. Until we meet again. You brother forever and ever.*

*Kev*

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**Kevin Kuhnahs - Springboro, OH - Brother** - November 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Cindy and the entire Elmore family,

*Gary always with that wonderful smile and kind and gentle way about him. He was blessed with an abundance musical and artistic talent. Gary is now without pain and off on whatever adventure God has in store for him. May God comfort you and your family in the coming days. Love, David and Marlene*

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**David and Marlene Click - Springboro, OH - Friends** - November 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Gary had a way of bringing peace into my life. Stress seemed to disappear when I was in his presense. He was not materialistic, selfish or self centered. He genuinely cared about people. He put others needs above his own.

*I will miss his evening visits at my house. We spent many hours together every week just talking, and dreaming of the 'Good old days". Just recently, he showed me some very useful bass guitar techniques. I will cherish those memories forever.*

*I will also miss his text messages I use to recieve once or twice a week while I was at work. They always brought a smile to my face. Those text messages came at stressful times in my life. They made me forget those anxious moments by putting things in a proper perspective, that is, people are more important rather than getting ahead in life.*

*Monday was the last day I saw him. He noticed I was crying and faintly told me to relax and that everything will be ok. Another selfless act. I will never forget his courage and his struggle with cancer. He made it look easy, something I could never do. I'll miss you Gary.*

*LOVE Dave*

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**David Kuhnash - Springboro, OH - Brother in law - November 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM**

KF

“ I've know Gary for most of my life, all the way back to school in West Carrollton. During those times I always thought of him as a generous and kind person. After graduation we lost touch but in 2007 through his sister Cindy, we were reunited unknowingly. Cindy had mentioned she had a brother that had been going through some real tough times and our mission team was looking for a project to do in the local community before heading out to Virginia to minister to those in need. I never put the 2 together until she said her brothers name was Gary Elmore. Immediately I realized it was the same Gary from almost 30 years before. We quickly accepted the opportunity to work at Gary's house to help him out, about 40 of us all at the same time. We accomplished much that day and at the end of the day, Gary had shared his story with most of the group and had to give everyone a big hug before they left. We was there to minister to him but Gary had other ideas in mind. Before we all left on the trip to Virginia, Gary showed up at our send off with a ton of T-shirts. He had actually air-brushed 44 t-shirts one for each member and even in their right size. He ministered back to us. We shared his story and generosity with all those in VA and his demonstration of love touched the hearts of those in need there. God bless you my brother in Christ and I'll see you someday in Heaven where ther is no pain and suffering.  
Ken Price (Kenny)

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Ken Price - Springboro, OH - friend - November 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Gary's death has brought such sadness to me. We were in a band together back in high school. It was so much fun. I tried many times to stay in touch with him but he was so busy with his air brush buisness and his other love...playing music! Such a talented man.

*I saw him about 2 years ago whlie doing a gig at the Miamisburg Moose. He spoke so proudly of his son.*

*We all have been blessed by having Gary in our lives. He will forever be missed.*

*God bless.....*

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**Robert L. Newman - West Carrollton, OH - Friend** - November 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Taught me to be a better drummer!

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**Steve Haworth - miamisburg, OH - friend** - November 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Mr.Elmore, Cindy and Gary's family.

*I remember Gary back when we were very young. I would visit my cousin's, the Holman's on Cindy Drive. We would get together and sing the current hits on the charts. Gary was always very nice to me and I have nothing but fond memories of him. My heart breaks for your family and especially his son. My prayers is that God will give you comfort in this time of sadness.*

*John*

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**John Poore - Pennington Gap , VA - Friend** - November 15, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Gary was one of my son, Tom's, best friends. They were both musicians and played many gigs together. Tom brought Gary to meet our family while they were still in high school. Gary was so much fun to be with. It felt like he was part of our family. Gary went to the beach in N.C. with us one summer. Gary had a great big heart. He made Christmas ornaments for all of us and t-shirts for the grandkids. Gary's kind manner and sweet smile will be missed by all our family. God gave Gary so many talents and Gary used them to touch us all!

*God Bless you all, and may He keep you in his arms as you go through this.*

*Sandy Winter Denning*

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**Sandra Winter - Miamisburg, OH - friend** - November 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VF

“ Gary was always an amazingly talented person. His musical and artistic talents were so impressive! When cancer entered his life, he fought it like a warrior. And as the cancer began to take over, even with horrific pain and suffering, Gary still fought back. That tells me that he had a lot to live for and a family he loved so much that he would and could endure so much. His fight won him years, months, days and then hours to be with those he cared about. To me, Gary is a hero. Now, he is in a peaceful place, in God's hands and suffers no more. Gary, my friend, your memory will always live on in my heart. I will never forget the music, the art and the laughter.

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**Vickie Hollis - Sarasota, FL - friend** - November 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Times will be hard for so many tear will run down the faces of family and friends and memories of you will linger in there heads for days and even months, a smiles ,a laugh or two from a great time that was in the passed as i am now about the days in high school and the most thing i do remember is the smile that Gary always had on his face God Bless and now go walk in peace my old friend ,

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**Richard & Mari Johnson - Venice, FL - Friend** - November 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Gary and I were in a band together in the early 1980's called the Silver Spur Band.I was the lead singer and Gary was one of the most talented musicians I had ever met. He was a blessing to be around.he could pick virtually any instrument and play it like he had been playing it forever.  
he could play guitar, steel guitar , bass, fiddle, mandolin and could sing like Johnny Cash and Hank Williams Jr.. combined!!!!!!  
I have been bragging on Gary to all of my musician friends for over 30 years and will continue to do so.  
life is short and very delicate  
Gary touched alot of people during his life and I for one will miss him.  
but I can always pull up memories of Gary, on stage singing Country Boy Can Survive and singing with him on songs like Good Hearted Woman and many other great songs that he loved so much.  
Goodbye my friend  
rest well  
Chris Forgy

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**chris forgy - COLUMBUS, OH - friend and band mate.** - November 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Gary and I had a lot of adventure and fun together several years ago, we went on some very awesome trips to Colorado and Utah, he was always making me laugh. He will be missed by many

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**cathy mcclain - lebanon, OH - friend** - November 14, 2013 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ I thank you Gary for all the wonderful memories. Your musical talent was as enlightening as your sprit, strength and love. I'll see you again someday.

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**Trena Elam-Hufford - Dayton, OH - friend** - November 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ I knew Gary something like 46 or 47 years. I'm not exactly certain any more. Gary was the primary reason I developed a relationship with my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He didn't preach, lecture, or quote scripture. It was far more subtle than that. On my part, I simply wanted that inner peace, that absolute love of life and joy that Gary had. When I was 14 I got baptized. Gary was there with me and was pretty much my spiritual coach all the way up to that day.

*It has been my honor and privilege to have such a positive influence in my lfe. Gary was truly that once in a lifetime friend that enters our lives if we're blessed. I count myself among the blessed and fortunate. I would like to thank my Lord and Savior for making Gary such a large part of my life.*

*I'll sure miss you, Gary! Adios, my friend. I pray that maybe I'll see you on the otherside, my brother!*

*Greg*

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**Gregory Witham - Holly Springs, NC - Friend** - November 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

“ Franklin Street Baptist Church

*We came up with a Spring Olympics event and put together this huge mud pit. Tilled it out, a volunteer fireman poured water in from a fire truck and tilled it more. Afterwards, we had a mudwrestling event and I remember Gary being covered from head to toe in mud (wish I could find that picture).*

*I also remember him chasing me down and dragging me in. As strong as Gary was, there was no point in trying to fight back. I ended up with mud in every nook and cranny of my body.*

*Cumberland College*

*In 1983 Gary was my roommate for a semester in a building we fondly referred to as May Fall (Mahan) Hall. I was returning for a year to finish my degree and commuted back home every week to my wife.*

*We were on an upper floor that was boiler heated and if you got up late to take a shower, you had no hot water. Our room was rather small and we had to sleep on bunk beds, Gary on top. He would take his glass eye out at night, lean down over the bunk and yell, “hey Richard”!*

*Needless to say, it would scare the crap out of me.*

*The following semester after I returned, Gary and I both had to get out of May Fall Hall. We ended up in different rooms in NorthWest Hall and Gary roomed with some guys from Sunesis (more info later).*

*Pranks would happen often and everyone was a target.*

*Gary and his roommates thought they were clever by securing the screens on their windows with screws. The flaw to the plan was the screws were driven in on the outside. One day during chapel (think we had chapel on different days), a friend of mine and I pranked their room.*

*Someone that worked at a bank collected a bag full of rubber-bands and thought it was something a church (Franklin Street) could put to*

*good use.*

*The church couldn't use a bag of rubber-bands in a hundred years, but I could. We took all the screws off one of the windows, climbed in and proceeded to put rubber-bands in everything. (shampoo, guitar case, clothes, beds, books, shoes and anything else we could find)*

*Gary comes back from Chapel and calls me right away.*

*The conversation went like this.*

*Gary: Richard, you're not going to believe what happened?*

*Me: What?*

*Gary: Someone broke into our room.*

*Me: No way!*

*Gary: And guess what?*

*Me: What?*

*Gary: They put rubber-bands everywhere.*

*Me: No way!*

*Gary: You've got to come and see this.*

*Of course this was more than I could have hoped for.*

*However, for a split second, I thought Gary might be onto me and only wanted to make me pay. That feeling quickly passed, because I couldn't resist returning to the scene of the crime.*

*When I went down there and as Gary kept finding the hidden rubber-bands, he kept saying "I can't believe this".*

*It took all I had in me not to bust out laughing.*

*Gary and others told me later, they kept finding rubber-bands months, maybe even years later.*

*They eventually did find out and one of them let the air out of my tires after the vehicle was packed up with stuff to return home.*

*Gary also played in a group called Sunesis for which he earned a scholarship to pay for his college.*

*They would travel over the weekends to churches and events promoting the college and sharing the gospel message.*

*I would say that Gary could play anything that had a string (steel*

*guitar, acoustic, electric, bass, fiddle, banjo), along with other instruments.*

*Found out later seeing him perform at a local venue that he also had a good singing voice.*

*LexisNexis*

*I think Gary had the shortest tenure of anyone at our company (by his own choice). I recommended hi for this job of delivering printout sheets during third shift hours. After 45 minutes, Gary decided it wasn't for him and walked off the job. Gary was very much his own man and knew exactly what he did and didn't want.*

*Even though we only kept in periodic contact throughout the years, Gary was very dear friend.*

*We always seemed to pick up from where we left off.*

*Most of us hide behind our masks and get with the program.*

*Gary was very real and chose to take the path less chosen.*

*He did what he wanted to do and I believe what he felt God wanted him to do.*

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**Richard Thompson - Columbus, OH - Friend - Roommate** - November 13, 2013  
at 12:00 AM

JC

“*Gary always had a positive outlook and kept that wonderful smile through all of the physical pain he endured. "Gary I can only imagine how awesome it must be to be free of pain and face to face with our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ".*

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**John Dotson - Anderson, SC - Cousin** - November 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Gary was always a good,friendly guy. He touched many people in several ways. During his illness, he was always upbeat and served as an inspiration to all who knew him. He will be very missed.

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**Jim Hayman - West Carrollton, OH - schoolmate** - November 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ May the wonderful times you spent together making memories keep Gary alive in your hearts. I love to hear that he was an artist and a musician! Lots of pictures and songs that will remind you of him! Rest in peace Gary.

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**Marcia Frey - Evansville, IN - Friend of the family** - November 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM