



## Gary James Para

January 28, 1953 - July 31, 2022

Gary James Para, 69, husband of Margaret Alexander Para, passed away Sunday, July 31, 2022 at University of Kentucky Medical Center, Lexington. He was born January 28, 1953 in Chicago, Illinois to the late Stanley and Helen Roechecka Para. Gary was a member of the Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church where he was part of the construction of the church. He was a longtime mechanic serving Powell County for many years. Survivors include, wife, Margaret Para and son, Walter Para. Funeral Mass 11:00am Thursday, August 4, 2022 at our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church. Visitation Wednesday 5-8pm at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers contributions suggested to Our Lady of the Mountain Catholic Church Food Pantry, 1093 East College Ave, Stanton, KY 40380.

# Previous Events

## Family Visitation

AUG 3. 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Wells Funeral Home  
777 W. College Avenue  
P.O. Box 33  
Stanton, KY 40380  
(606) 663-9480  
davisanddavisfuneralhome@yahoo.com  
<https://www.ddfh.net>

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## Funeral Service

AUG 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of the Mountains  
1093 East College Ave.  
Stanton, KY 40380

# Tribute Wall

EK

“ It was such a shock to learn of Mr. Para's passing!! I am just so very sorry! Indeed, Mr. Para was very intelligent. He was a "mechanic's mechanic" par excellence!! We appreciate the many times he worked on our vehicles. He was honest, kind, giving, conscientious, hard-working, knowledgeable, dependable (just to name a very few good qualities!)  
I appreciate his faithfulness and commitment to his church for many years!  
Thank you Mr. Gary Para for a life of faithful service and "a job well done"! You will be missed by many!  
Esther Rule Kearns, neighbor from down the road



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**ESTHER RULE KEARNS** - August 06, 2022 at 01:06 PM

JK

“ Gary was my godfather. He took the role more seriously than others might have. He kept in touch with me my whole life and was always trying to help me with my chronic pain disability. It was an honor to have him in my life and we are all lucky to have known him.

Joe Koszut

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**Joe Koszut** - August 03, 2022 at 09:18 PM

AK

“ My husband and I met Gary at a small bible study group 40 years ago. A wonderful friendship developed with he and Marge and our families. Many memories have been made since then. God bless you, Gary.  
Arlene Koszut

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**Arlene Koszut** - August 03, 2022 at 06:58 PM



“ I had ironically been thinking of Gary & Marge the past few weeks and our vacations to KY as a child, as Gary was a good friend of my father's. Having just bought my own kayak, I was remembering how, as a child, he pushed our canoe out on a lake after everyone else got out but me! I was forced to canoe on my own. I learned that I could do it, and wasn't afraid...now as an adult, wondering if that's why I love it so much! Other fond childhood memories include being taught how to shoot a bb-gun (into a cardboard box:-), scuba dive in the pool, spending time with the dogs and even having to shovel out the horse stall once! My siblings and I enjoyed our KY visits and our lives were richer with Gary in them. We will hold on to these memories fondly and miss him dearly. Sending Love and Prayers,  
Mary Beth Koszut

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**Mary Koszut** - August 03, 2022 at 11:05 AM

MW

“ Gary was his own man, and I greatly respected that. The way he lived his life was an inspiration. His devotion to his faith was a gift that he shared repeatedly. I will miss him. He was my last connection to NIU.  
G. Wright

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**m. wright** - August 03, 2022 at 10:46 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gary James Para.

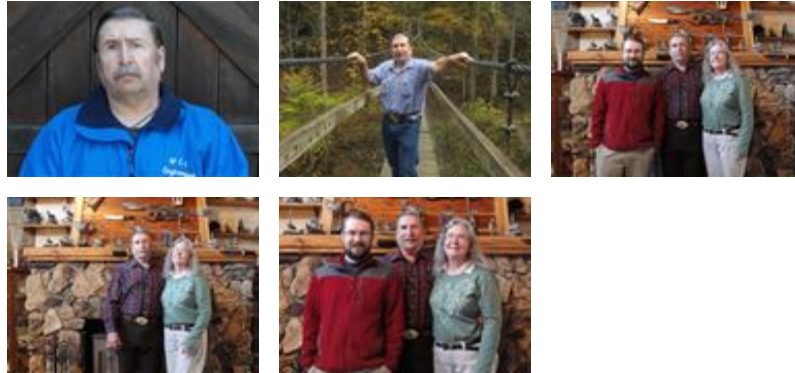


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August 03, 2022 at 10:38 AM



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Wells Funeral Home - August 03, 2022 at 09:31 AM

CW

“ Gary was one of the best neighbors anyone could ever ask for there isn't anything he wouldn't do or help anyone with. He was a very Honest, Intelligent, Hard Working All around greatest, kindest person I know he was always so good to me and my family couldn't ask for a better person. We r going to really miss him a lot. My thoughts and prayers go out to Mrs.Para and his son Walt. If there is anything we can do for u or anything u need please let us know. May God b with u during this time. We r so sorry for ur loss. R.I.P.”Gary Para”



Clayton & Jenny Wise - August 02, 2022 at 02:37 AM

BB

Gary was a very good man , and friend. He has fixed a whole lot of cars for me and my father Finley Begley , very intelligent and knew what he was doing. Very good mechanic and a very good friend. My condolences go out to his family. He will be missed. Rest in peace Gary, you deserve it, worked hard enough. Brad Begley. God bless your wife and son. You've put in your time here on earth, now it's time for you to rest.

Brad Begley - August 02, 2022 at 08:42 AM

JD

“ *It has been a real honor to know Gary. Honest, hard working, sharp as a tack, ... Heaven will have some good running vehicles now!*

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**James Ed Dennis** - August 01, 2022 at 10:13 PM