



Gary George "Lump" Lamke

December 17, 1954 - February 16, 2026

Gary George "Lump" Lamke, son of the late Richard Lamke and Clara Lamke, was born on December 17, 1954, in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Gary graduated from Harrisburg High School, Class of 1972. He spent his life working in kitchens, mastering his craft through experience and heart rather than formal training. He would often say, "I don't have any fancy training, I just know what tastes good." Gary found genuine joy in cooking for those he loved, and he became locally famous for his legendary peanut butter pies, a sweet reminder of his generous spirit.

A devoted husband, father, and grandfather, Gary treasured his family above all else. He was especially proud of his role as "Pap-Pap" to his cherished granddaughter, Ella Rose Edgar, who brought him immeasurable joy.

Gary was an avid sports fan, faithfully cheering for the New York Mets and proudly supporting Notre Dame football. He also valued the friendships and camaraderie he found at many local social clubs, where laughter and loyalty were always present.

In honor of his late mother, Gary made the selfless decision to donate his body to the Penn State College of Medicine to further scientific research and education, a final act of generosity that reflected his thoughtful nature.

On February 16, 2026, at seventy-one years of age, Gary peacefully transitioned from this life after a short but courageous battle with esophageal cancer. He was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Richard and Clara Lamke.

He leaves to cherish his memory his devoted wife, Kim (Walker) Lamke; his daughters, Brittany Perkins (Albert Perkins) of Brookhaven, PA, and Casey Edgar (Stephen Edgar) of Camp Hill, PA; his cherished granddaughter, Ella Rose Edgar; his brother, Fred Lamke (Melanie Kolback-Lamke) of Linglestown, PA; and countless friends who became like family over the years.

The family has chosen to remember Gary's life privately, honoring his wishes.

FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CLICK ON THE SHARE A MEMORY TAB TO POST VIDEOS, SHARE MEMORIES, CONDOLENCES, REFLECTIONS, OR SIMPLY LEAVE YOUR NAME.

Tribute Wall

SN

“ My condolences to the Lamke family. Gary and I attended Edison, John Harris and Hbg High at the same time, often being in the same classes. He was an excellent classmate and friend during those times and remember lots of fun in class and band practices. When I was dealing with cancer in the mid 1980's, he offered support and encouragement. Never heard or had anything to say negatively about him. Never called him Lump, except when referring to him. Only called him Gary when with him. The world has lost a fantastic person, but heaven gained a true angel and guardian for his granddaughter.

Steve Noel - March 03 at 03:19 PM

JC

To the Lamke family sorry for your loss and all his class mates too. A great spirt and friend in school. Remember times when in Hbg seen him at bar on Paxton st or where ever. I when into The Military. Made it a career. My family is still in the Hbg area, so I made visits with them and friends in the area. Great friends are hard to lose. My best to the family. Jeff Comrey. RIP GARY...

Jeff Comrey - March 18 at 06:13 PM

WK

“ William Kagel lit a candle in memory of Gary George "Lump" Lamke



William Kagel - February 20 at 03:38 PM

AH

My deepest condolences to the family of Mr lump he was a great friend of mine since I first met him we had clerk he will surely be miss 😭

Albert L Hicks - February 24 at 12:27 PM

AH

Albert Hicks

Albert L Hicks - February 24 at 12:30 PM

MA

Kim, wishing you comfort and peace loving memories to hold in your heart. Maryalice & George Horley

Maryalice - February 24 at 03:40 PM

CF

Fred, my condolences to you and your family. I am happy you have great memories that you will cherish.

Cathy Fletcher - February 26 at 06:32 PM