



## Gary Kendall

September 12, 1945 - February 3, 2025

Gary passed away peacefully Monday, February 3, 2025 at the age of 79.

Gary is survived by his wife April of 55 years, his daughter Denise Maddalon (John), sons David (Kelly), Daniel (Kimberly), & Kevin Kendall. 7 grandchildren Allyson, Tyler, Anthony, Thomas, Joseph, Holly & Madelyn. He was preceded in death by his infant son Dustin, his father Orvin, mother Eva and brothers Roy & Raymond Kendall.

Gary was born in Tacoma, Washington. After high school, he joined the Navy. He served on several ships, the USS Rehobeth, USS Ogden, USS Detroit and USS Shasta. He spent time in San Francisco, San Diego, Fallon, Nevada, Newport, Rhode Island, Panama Canal Zone and Alameda, CA. He retired from the Navy with 21 years of service as an Electronics Technician Senior Chief.

Electronics served him well working for Day Wireless, Hilton Audio, and T-Mobile.

While in Panama, Gary & April started square dancing which became a lifelong passion of Gary's. After 10 years of dancing, Gary took up calling square dancing. He taught hundreds of people to dance over his 42 years of calling. His love for the activity kept him going up to his last days.

Services will be held at 1:00pm Monday, February 24, 2025 at Fairfield Funeral Home. Burial at 11:00am on February 25, 2025 at Sacramento Valley National Cemetery in Dixon.

Donations in memory of Gary Kendall can be made to the CALLERLAB Foundation for the preservation and promotion of square dancing. To make a donation online, visit <https://www.callerlabfoundation.com/make-a-donation>

To make a donation by mail, send a check made out to "CALLERLAB Foundation" to:

The CALLERLAB Foundation  
494 S. Emerson Ave. Ste H1  
Greenwood, IN 46143-1953

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **24**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PT)

Fairfield Funeral Home  
1750 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Fairfield, CA 94533  
(707) 425-1041  
info@fairfieldfuneral-home.com  
<http://www.fairfieldfuneral-home.com/>

*No food or drinks allowed inside chapel*

## Burial / Committal Service

FEB **25**. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (PT)

Sacramento Valley National Cemetery  
5810 Midway Road  
Dixon, CA 95620

# Tribute Wall

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“ Scott & Heather Duncan purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Gary Kendall.



Scott & Heather Duncan - February 22, 2025 at 11:48 AM

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“ Scott & Heather Duncan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gary Kendall.

Scott & Heather Duncan - February 22, 2025 at 11:48 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Gary Kendall.



February 21, 2025 at 08:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gary Kendall.

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“ We were still learning *Plus* when we were part of a square dance demo at a park in Concord. I was nervous and lacking confidence so I asked Gary not to call *Relay the Deucey*. We hadn't been on stage more than a couple of minutes when, of course, he called it. Totally surprised, my eyes popped open and my head shot up to look at Gary. He was laughing away. That was Gary - pure mischief!  
Dorothy Evans

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**Dorothy Evans** - February 14, 2025 at 03:38 PM