



## Dr. Gary R. Goetz

April 3, 1942 - January 16, 2021

Dr. Gary Ray Goetz at the age of 78, met his Savior face to face Saturday, January 16, 2021. We have peace knowing he is now rejoicing with his Savior and loved ones in heaven.

Gary was born April 3, 1942, to Ray and Beatrice Burg Goetz in Marshfield, WI, who both have preceded him to glory. He was always learning and earned a Doctor of Pastoral Theology from Bob Jones Seminary in 2012. His first passion was biblical prophecy. His heart's prayer was A Revival of Hope in the Genuine Christ-Real Hope for America in Crisis which was published in 2013. His second passion was the Green Bay Packers and Clemson along with just plain football.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy Stolba Goetz of 50 years; three children and eight grandchildren, Dwight Goetz (Anna) and their children Aubrey, Paul, Clara, Wesley, Harrison, and Oliver all of New Hall, CA; Timothy Goetz (Stephanie) and their daughter, Reagan of Mount Pleasant, SC; and Sara Dresch (Karl) and their stepson, Stephen of Calumet, MI.

He was the eldest of six. He left behind five siblings and their spouses, Diane Krause (Fred) of Centerton, AR; Deborah Cattanach (Daniel) of Marshfield, WI; Thomas Goetz (Paulette) of Naples, FL; James Goetz (Sandy) of Wheaton, IL; and John Goetz (Susie) of Weston, CT.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 27, 2021 at Faith Baptist Church, 500 W Lee Road Taylors, SC 29687, conducted by Dr. John Monroe.

Visitation will be held Wednesday from 9:45 until 10:45 a.m. at the church prior to the service.

The family respectfully request that social distancing guidelines be observed and face mask be worn.

Memorials may be made to his favorite ministry, Hidden Treasure Christian School, 500 W Lee Road Taylors, SC 29687.

Online condolences may be made at [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Wood Memorial Park

863 Gap Creek Road  
Duncan, SC 29334

# Previous Events

## Service

JAN 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

Faith Baptist Church  
500 West Lee Road  
Taylors, SC 29687

# Tribute Wall

EB

“ *Sending thoughts and prayers for Mr. Gary's family. We talked each afternoon as he came into my office. I could tell how much he loved his family. I will miss seeing him at school.*

*-Erin Busch, school counselor from Riverside High*

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**Erin Busch** - February 04, 2021 at 01:16 PM

MH

“ *I enjoyed working with Mr. Gary at RHS. He shared stories about his family, kids and grandkids. I looked forward to seeing him daily. He would share stories of vacations and loved to talk about what him and his wife were up to. He was a great addition to our staff as he always had a kind word to share. We miss seeing him here and will keep his family in our prayers.*

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**Marjorie Hintalla** - February 04, 2021 at 01:08 PM

RB

“ *Sending my sincere sympathies to the family. Mr. Gary was a sweet, polite and hard-working man. He always had a kind greeting whenever he came into my art room or when he would see me in the hall. I will miss seeing him at Riverside High.*

*Rachelle L. Bianchi, Art Teacher at RHS*

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**Rachelle L Bianchi** - February 03, 2021 at 07:39 PM

JG

“ For Peggy, Dwight, Sara and Tim:

*We mourn with you in the loss of Gary. We are sure you will miss him--his sense of humor and his love for you. I can say as one of his youngest brothers ("the twins"), that he was a wonderful loving example to me. Beginning with all the time we spent together as kids with him teaching Jim and me how to play football, and going into adulthood knowing that he always cared about getting together as family. Whenever there was a chance to get together he was up for it. He was loving. I have never felt judged negatively by him in any way.*

*He was quite the thinker so he always had some thoughts to share about God and the proper order of things, including the future! We love him for who he is. The memories are treasures for us. I pray you will find God's peace in these coming days.*

*John Goetz*

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**John Goetz** - January 26, 2021 at 10:37 PM

TG

“ As one of Gary's younger brothers, I am most grateful for his brotherly love, spiritual direction, and mentoring. Even though I was nearly twelve years his junior, he shared his time and wisdom with me, including some special road trips, daily conversations about life and faith, and anything relating to the Green Bay Packers. He loved football, but that paled in comparison to his love for God and family. I was very blessed to be his roommate at home for many years. During that time, Gary had purchased a set of LPs featuring hymns played on an amazing pipe organ. I enjoyed listening to all of them very much, and I truly believe that was an experience which nudged me toward playing the organ, and eventually earn my doctorate in church music and organ. I thank Gary for sharing a love of music and scripture! Most of all, I am thankful that he was one of God's messengers who helped show me The Way. "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

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**Tom Goetz** - January 25, 2021 at 08:31 PM

FA

“ From Tom, Paulette, Matthew, and Alison purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Dr. Gary R. Goetz.



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**From Tom, Paulette, Matthew, and Alison** - January 25, 2021 at 07:59 PM

DK

“ I am so sad for the loss of my older brother, whom I loved dearly. I am the older of his two sisters and the 2nd sibling who was born exactly 5 years after his birth. I probably have more memories of our childhood, just for that reason alone. When we were young siblings, Gary loved to play pranks, and I remember most of them. But, what means the most to me, is that Gary loved the Lord and loved his family. Gary was always faithful about keeping in touch, even though all five of his siblings live in different states, hundreds of miles apart. I will miss our long conversations by phone and visiting in person at weddings and/or funerals. I am very thankful that Gary and his wife, Peggy were able to visit us here in northwest Arkansas. Gary and Peggy once lived in this area at least 40 plus years ago. His two younger children, Tim and Sara were born in Fayetteville at the Washington Regional Hospital. During that time, Gary was pastor at a small Bible church in the Ozarks in West Fork, Arkansas. Now, Gary is in heaven with our parents and our heavenly Father. Someday, I and the rest of the family will join him. I am looking forward to that blessed reunion with our Savior and with other believers like Gary and our parents who professed Christ as their personal Savior and lived for Him.

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**Diane Krause** - January 24, 2021 at 02:54 PM

FF

“ From the Frederick and Diane Krause Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dr. Gary R. Goetz.



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**From the Frederick and Diane Krause Family** - January 24, 2021 at 01:49 PM



“ *Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Dr. Gary R. Goetz.*



January 23, 2021 at 11:26 AM



“ *John, Suzy, Carrie, and Rachel purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Dr. Gary R. Goetz.*



**John, Suzy, Carrie, and Rachel** - January 23, 2021 at 10:05 AM



“ *Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Dr. Gary R. Goetz.*



January 22, 2021 at 11:29 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dr. Gary R. Goetz.*



January 22, 2021 at 09:42 PM

DC

“ As one of Gary’s younger sisters, I observed that my older brother truly loved God and people. Example, when he bought his sporty Corvair, he offered to let this young driver take the wheel without reservation or negative comments. On another occasion, he treated his younger sister and brother to an out of state, overnight trip much to our delight. Later when all siblings were grown, Gary was faithfully calling to check on each of us or say happy birthday. Because of his caring nature, Gary told many about God’s gift of salvation, throughout his lifetime. I’m very thankful that you were my big brother!

*Deb Cattanach*

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**Deb Cattanach** - January 22, 2021 at 09:12 PM