

## David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr.

September 7, 1938 - December 16, 2018

David Gary Lawrence Sr. was born in Portsmouth, VA September 7, 1938 to the late David "Red" and Frances Oliver Lawrence. He passed away December 16, 2018 surrounded by his family. Gary is survived by his wife of 44 years, Patty Lawrence and his six children; Cindy, Lori (David) and Chris (Stephanie), David Jr. and his wife Brooke, Michael (Alisse) and Stephen (Eyorusalem) Lawrence and his 6 grandchildren, Christine & Leslie Warren, Tana & David III "Trey", Michael Jr. and Zion Lawrence.

He was a graduate of Cradock High School and the Medical College of Virginia, now VCU School of Pharmacy. Devoting himself to his family and business, Gary was synonymous with anything Deep Creek.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenlawn Memorial Gardens

3920 Airline Blvd  
Chesapeake, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **20**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services  
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.  
Chesapeake, VA 23323  
(757) 487-3700  
info@jtfisherfuneralservices.com  
<https://www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com>

## Service

DEC **21**. 1:00 PM (ET)

Cradock Baptist Church  
96 Afton Parkway  
Portsmouth, VA 23702

# Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr.



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - December 20, 2018 at 06:32 PM



*What a beautiful tribute to a lovely man. We will all miss him dearly.*

Michelle Scannell - December 22, 2018 at 02:21 AM

JD

*Beautiful!!* ❤️❤️❤️😭

Jimmy Dillon - December 22, 2018 at 06:39 AM

TV

*Beautiful you're truly be missed, but never forgotten.*

Tracy D Valentine - December 23, 2018 at 02:17 AM

DS

*Awesome video, sweet sweet man*

Denise vann seutter - December 23, 2018 at 08:36 AM

RH

*THAT WAS WONDERFUL!!*

Richard Huneycutt - April 10, 2019 at 05:04 PM

DM

*Such an awesome video for such an awesome caring loving man.*

Debbie McCoy - April 10, 2019 at 07:08 PM

AD

*Beautifully done. He was truly a great person, who helped many people.*

Al Dumire - April 11, 2019 at 04:26 PM

CC

“ *So sorry for your loss. I will forever remember and be grateful for the help and kindness shown to our family when we lost Inez, Bratton and my husband, Earl Cofield. God Bless.*  
*Charlotte Jones Cofield*

Charlotte Jones Cofield - December 30, 2018 at 03:18 AM

TR

“ *R.I.P Mr. Lawerence*  
*Tammy M. Rodriguez C.Ph.T*

Tammy Rodriguez - December 22, 2018 at 07:10 PM

JD

“ I feel like that I known Gary since the seventies when I first started going into Lawrence pharmacy but I have really gotten to know Gary well over the last 20 plus years as his delivery driver. I am honored to have had him in my life and I feel very honored to have been at his 80th birthday. He was an amazing man that always went the extra distance for his customers, his friends, total strangers and most of all his family. Love you Gary, rest in peace my friend.



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**Jimmy Dillon** - December 22, 2018 at 06:37 AM

KH

“ will always remember his beautiful smile and his kindness to everyone he met.

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**Katherine Harrison** - December 21, 2018 at 01:50 PM

CB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Candy Baungard** - December 21, 2018 at 12:25 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..*



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December 21, 2018 at 12:14 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Candy Baunsgard** - December 20, 2018 at 11:23 PM



“ *Prayers for the family of Gary Lawrence. He was a good man and a good businessman and will be missed Sorry for his loss.*  
*Robert Faye*

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**robert faye** - December 20, 2018 at 08:46 PM



“ *In our interactions over the ears, Gary impressed me with his integrity, friendliness and knowledge. Whether we met in the pharmacy, Sams Club, or in the front yard, he was always a pleasure to talk too. He will be missed by all of us.*  
*Phil Simpson and family*  
*3156 MJ Road*

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**Phillip Simpson** - December 20, 2018 at 04:52 PM

PN

“ We have known Gary for so long, since I used to go to his dad's pharmacy in Cradock. What an outstanding man, always there to help. He will be so missed by everyone in Deep Creek. Patty, we love you, and know you are in our thoughts and prayers. Pat and George Nottingham



Pat Nottingham - December 20, 2018 at 02:07 PM



“ 109 files added to the album LifeTributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - December 20, 2018 at 12:52 PM

BF

“ Billy & Margie Reynolds and Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..



Billy & Margie Reynolds and Family - December 20, 2018 at 12:41 PM

JH

“ Our condolences to the entire Lawrence family and Gary's extended family and friends. He was a kind and generous man. He filled prescriptions for toddlers in the Deep Creek community and eventually their own children and grandchildren, to include me and mine. He and my dad, Eddie Smith, were good friends. I watched the tears fall down Gary's cheek at my dad's viewing in April 2015 when he told my mother he'd lost a good friend. And now Deep Creek has lost a good friend, most definitely one of the last of his kind. Many prayers for the Lawrence family in your grief.



Joann "Penny Smith" Harmon - December 20, 2018 at 11:22 AM

DS

“ Deep Creek High School lit a candle in memory of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr.



Deep Creek High School - December 20, 2018 at 09:14 AM

LM

With deepest sympathy Rita Robinson, Lisa Mitchell and Diane Narron

Lisa Mitchell - December 20, 2018 at 01:30 PM

TF

“ To the Lawrence Family: We are so very sorry for the loss of Gary. He was a pillar in the Deep Creek community. No doubt, he helped more people than anyone can count, our family included. We pray God will comfort you all in your memories during this most difficult time of grief.



The Eddie and Shirley Smith Family - December 20, 2018 at 09:05 AM

DW

“ *Dawit, Misti, Ermias and Ezekiel Woldemikael purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..*



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**Dawit, Misti, Ermias and Ezekiel Woldemikael** - December 20, 2018 at 08:59 AM

FC

“ *He was Tidewater's finest. May God Rest Gary, our Cradock Friend and Neighbor and truly Bless His Family. Reminded of a 50's song; "The Good they die young". See you soon, Dearest Friend. Freddie Crouch.*

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**Freddie Crouch** - December 20, 2018 at 08:57 AM

LD

“ *Linda Gayle and Lowell Dietz purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..*



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**Linda Gayle and Lowell Dietz** - December 19, 2018 at 11:50 PM

LD

“ *Patty, You and Gary have always been there for me--when my mother died and when Patti died--what very special people you both are. We are all in shock at the suddenness of Gary's leaving us--but knowing the man he was, we know he is free of pain and smiling down on you all. I wish there was some way to lift your grief, but there isn't--part of our lives. We love you--and want you to take good care of yourself.*

*Love, Linda Gayle and Lowell Dietz*

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**Linda Gayle Walton Dietz** - December 19, 2018 at 11:45 PM



“ *I knew Gary for over forty years. He was family. He provided employment for my mother, grandfather and brother. He was there for me when I lost my very young wife. He was a man of outstanding character and held in high esteem by all that knew him. He will be missed for a long time. My heart felt sympathy to his family. Go rest high on that mountain Gary, your work on earth is done.*

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**Richard Doss** - December 19, 2018 at 09:18 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..*



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December 19, 2018 at 09:14 PM

HA

“ You will always be missed and remembered by the ones who you always made welcomed in your store. Those memories of times there will always be because of kindness to me and all the other people you have served over all these year. God take you into his paradise which he promises to all of us. Connie Armentrout

hank armentrout - December 19, 2018 at 09:01 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..



December 19, 2018 at 07:32 PM

PS

“ Patsy Sweat lit a candle in memory of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr.



patsy sweat - December 19, 2018 at 06:26 PM

RM

“ Rest In Peace Gary.

Richard McDaniel - December 19, 2018 at 05:05 PM

CK

“ Carolyn S Keeney lit a candle in memory of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr.



Carolyn S Keeney - December 19, 2018 at 03:50 PM



“ Rest in Peace Gary you were a great man for the community of Deep Creek. You gave half my family jobs. You will be miss by many. Your work is done enjoy the wings. Bob and Linda Hott.

Robert Hott - December 19, 2018 at 03:35 PM



“ The Chambers Family sends our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Gary.

William Chambers - December 19, 2018 at 02:02 PM

DF

“ Patty and the Lawrence, my heartfelt sympathy for the loss of your husband, father and grandfather. He will always be rembered for his kind heart. God Bless you all during this time. ❤️❤️

Dianne Ferebee - December 19, 2018 at 01:49 PM

BG

“ *Rest In Peace as your work here has been done. Thank you for being such a wonderful Friend to all and your support of sports and all activities in the Deep Creek Families. Our deepest sympathy to your family and friends.*

*Barbara (Pope) & Phil Graziano  
Cape Coral, FL*

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**Barbara Graziano** - December 19, 2018 at 10:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..*



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December 19, 2018 at 10:41 AM

HC

“ *My heartfelt sympathy goes to the family of Gary Lawrence. You have loss someone special to many of us as well as your family. Gary had a heart for people and community. He displayed it by going over and beyond when help was needed. Many of us remember times when he would meet you at the pharmacy after hours if you needed medication for a sick child or adult. He did not discriminate. Lawrence Pharmacy will always be a reminder of his legacy.*



*Hilda Cassell Cuffee and Family*

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**Hilda Cassell Cuffee** - December 19, 2018 at 10:38 AM

RJ

“ *Such wonderful memories of Gary and Dad hunting and fishing together. Dad loved him like son and always talked so wonderfully about Gary and their experiences together*

*Robert Jackson*

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**Robert Jackson** - December 19, 2018 at 09:15 AM

TF

“ *The Jackson Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..*



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**The Jackson Family** - December 19, 2018 at 09:12 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..*



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December 19, 2018 at 08:27 AM

GC

“ To the family, I express my sincere condolences. Gary Lawrence was a kind and pleasant pharmacist. Our family has been customers with Lawrence Pharmacy for a very long time, and have always been satisfied with business done there. I can even remember when it was in the adjacent shopping center. I had noticed his absence, a while ago, but thought he must have been enjoying retirement. I hope these words bring comfort to your hearts....Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, but Love leaves a memory, that no one can steal. Cherish your beautiful memories.  
Mrs. Gwendolyn Coleman and family. (Ricky Colemans Sister-in-Law)



Gwen Coleman - December 19, 2018 at 01:43 AM



“ Rose Hobbs lit a candle in memory of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr.



Rose Hobbs - December 18, 2018 at 11:37 PM

Sondra  
Byrum

“ Im so sorry for your loss Patty. If there is anything I can do let me know. Sondra

Sondra Byrum - December 18, 2018 at 10:42 PM

SB

“ *Sondra Hayward Byrum sent a virtual gift in memory of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr.*



Sondra Hayward Byrum - December 18, 2018 at 10:32 PM



“ *My mother Mary worked for Mr. Lawrence when she was pregnant with me. And when he saw me as an adult, he remembered her and always called her Marie. He was always a gentle person asking how we were doing. He will be greatly missed*

Sarah Goda - December 18, 2018 at 09:25 PM

SJ

“ *Sabrina Walker Johnson lit a candle in memory of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr.*



sabrina walker johnson - December 18, 2018 at 09:08 PM

JM

“ *Patty we were heart broken to hear of Gary passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this very sad time. Joe and I have so many great memories of our time spent with you and Gary.  
Love, Joey & Judy Morrell*

Joey Morrell - December 18, 2018 at 08:03 PM



“ *Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..*



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December 18, 2018 at 07:34 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David "Gary" Lawrence, Sr..*



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December 18, 2018 at 07:27 PM



“ *Coach Swisher sends his deepest sympathy to the family. He remembers going in and getting a sandwich often.*

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**Paul Swisher** - December 18, 2018 at 07:17 PM

BK

“ Gary has been a pillar of the Cradock Community since he was a youngster.

*As a businessman for a half century he supported the civic efforts of the community.*

*He was well-loved and respected by the many folks he came to know in his years of community service.*

*My deepest sympathy to his family and many friends who are mourning his loss.*

*May he be remembered for his countless acts of kindness...and may he rest in peace.*

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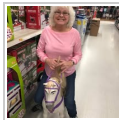
**Bernie Kirsch** - December 18, 2018 at 05:57 PM

RH

“ THE LOSS OF A LONG TIME FRIEND IS NOT EASY BUT MY THOUGHTS GO OUT TO PATTY AND THE FAMILY... PEGGY AND I WILL KEEP YOU ALL IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS DURING THIS VERY DIFFICULT TIME... RIP OLD FRIEND....

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**Richard Huneycutt** - December 18, 2018 at 03:32 PM



*Gary was a man that had a very large heart. Patty and Gary helped my mom many times at the Pharmacy. They were so warm and loving to the elderly. Patty I will keep you and your family in my prayers. I am so sorry.*

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**Rose Hobbs** - December 18, 2018 at 11:42 PM

JD

*My deepest condolences to Patty, children & grandchildren along with the Pharmacy Family & that's what it is a "FAMILY! Will keep you in thought & prayer for God's comfort during this time of loss....*

**Janice Dezern** - December 19, 2018 at 10:32 PM

GM

*We are so very sorry for the loss of Gary. Everyone in Deep Creek respected him and his knowledge. He was always friendly and helpful. He touched so many lives.  
Glenn and Sharon Morgan*

**Glenn Morgan** - December 20, 2018 at 09:05 PM

MC

*My deepest sympathies to Patty and the rest of the family. I am so sorry to hear about Gary's passing. You all were like family to my Nanny and Granddaddy, Hubert and Inez Bratton. They loved him and your family. Please know that you all are in my thoughts and prayers.*

**Melinda Cofield Corbett** - December 21, 2018 at 07:30 AM