Gary William Becker was born on March 22, 1948, in Alexandria, Minnesota. He was the son of William and Alvina (Spieker) Becker of Carlos, Minnesota. Gary was baptized as an infant and later confirmed in his faith as a youth at St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Belle River, Minnesota. He graduated with the Alexandria High School class of 1966. He was drafted into the army and served in Germany during the Vietnam War. After his deployment he attended tech school and worked for a local cabinet company. Later, Gary would go into the cabinet business on his own. He often said he loved building with wood but his boss never gave him any days off.

On September 30, 1972, Gary was united in marriage to Carol (Brown) Becker. They were blessed with two children, Shawn and Robin. The couple lived in St. Paul for a couple years and then moved to Carlos, Minnesota in 1974. They shared 40 years of marriage until her death in 2013.

He was the owner of Gary Becker Cabinets and was known for the beautiful, high-quality cabinets he built. Gary enjoyed gardening, woodworking and spending time with his grandchildren.

Gary died on Friday, October 7, 2022, at the St. Cloud Hospital surrounded by family after a valiant battle with Covid. Gary was known for his kind heart and will be missed tremendously by those who loved him.

Gary is survived by his children, Shawn (Jen) Becker of Hutchinson and Robin (Jeremy) Oistad of Dilworth; grandchildren, Mikenna, Ben, Caden and Kaylee; brother, Alan Becker and sister, Sherry (Ken) Nerpl and many other family members and friends who loved him.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Carol Becker and his parents, William and Alvina Becker.

For Those I Love, For Those Who Love Me...

When I am gone, release me, let me go...

I have so many things to see and do.

You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears,

But let my spirit calm your fears,

I gave you my love. You can only guess

How much you gave me in happiness.

I thank you for the love you have shown,

But now it's time I traveled on alone!

So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must,

Then let your grief be comforted by trust.

It's only for a while that we must part,

So bless the memories that lie within your heart.

I won't be far away, for life goes on.

So if you need me, call and I will come.

Though you can't see me or touch me, I'll be near,

And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear

All of my love around you soft and clear.

And then, when you must come this way alone...

I'll greet you with a smile and say,



Gary W. Becker

In Memory of

Gary W. Becker

March 22, 1948 ♣ October 7, 2022

Mass of Christian Burial

St. Nicholas Catholic Church Belle River, Minnesota Friday, October 14, 2022 11:00 AM

Officiant

Father Matthew Kuhn

Musician

Joyce Waldorf

Pallbearers

Mikenna Becker Ben Becker Caden Oistad Kaylee Oistad Wally Schlosser Jerry Waldvogel

Interment

St. Nicholas Cemetery Belle River, MN

Military Honors

American Legion Post 87
Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 936
Marine Corps League Detachment 1409
Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 235
Minnesota National Honor Guard

