



## Garry Wayne LaLone

March 15, 1954 - February 13, 2026

Garry Wayne LaLone, 71, of Cottontown, Tennessee, passed away February 13, 2026 at Alive Hospice in Nashville, Tennessee. He was preceded in death by his parents, Howard and Bonnie LaLone. He graduated from Garrett High School with the class of 1972. Garry married his high school sweetheart Roberta (Bobbi) Creager on August 17, 1977 and they were married for 48 years. In addition to his loving wife, he is survived by his brothers Terry, Loyd (Tammie), Doug (Catherine), four nieces and nephews, six great nieces and nephews and his loving mother-in-law Bonnie Creager. Garry earned 3 college degrees including an Associate of Science from Volunteer State Community College, a Bachelor of Science from Austin Peay State University and an MBA in Finance from Western Kentucky University. He earned his living for 50 years as a Professional Musician from 1972 until Garry retired on March 11, 2022. Garry was taken by Acute Myeloid Leukemia after a two-and-a-half-year battle. A private graveside service will be held in the Spring. ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO AUSTIN & BELL 533 Highway 76 White Huse, TN 37188 (615)672-5000 [www.austinandbell.com](http://www.austinandbell.com)

# Tribute Wall

DV

“ Daniel V. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Garry Wayne LaLone.

Daniel V. - February 24 at 03:17 PM

JM

“ Garry and I were best of friends in grade school at Waynedale elementary. The last time we were together was one weekend when I was invited to his house after he moved to Garrett. Hard to believe that was 60 years ago. I still remember the family included their dog Lucky. Garry was a good guy. We had a lot of fun together. I am so sorry for your loss.

Jim McFadden

Jim McFadden - February 19 at 06:58 AM

SS

Garry & I worked together for almost 25 years as touring musicians and also accompanying John Conlee on the Grand ole Opry. This doesn't even start to list Gary's credits or the performers he accompanied. Gary was known as one of the most accomplished drummers that ever called Nashville home. Everybody loved to work with Gary. He also had quite a career in Los Angeles prior to moving to Nashville. I enjoyed every note I ever played with Gary. I have to say that he & Bobbi are two of the classiest & sweetest people on earth. He will be missed...Steve & Jane Sechler

Steve Sechler - April 23 at 06:52 PM



“ *Fond memories of my friend Gary and his family. A highlight was seeing him perform with John Connelly a few years back at Blue Gate theater. A good guy. My sympathies to Bobbie and family.*

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**John Zumbaugh** - February 17 at 04:39 PM

BZ

“ *Great friend. Great musician. Played together for a number of years. Will be greatly missed*



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**Bob Zmyslony** - February 16 at 09:44 PM

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*Performing on stage with Gary and Bob are great memories I will always remember and cherish!*

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**Ken Heldt** - February 16 at 10:32 PM