



## Garrick A. Gustafson

May 7, 1939 - July 31, 2011

Garrick A. Gustafson

Age 72 of Tequesta, FL, passed away Sunday, July 31, 2011 at his residence. Born in Boston, MA, he had been a resident of Tequesta and Palm Beach County for over thirty five years. Prior to retirement, he was an Engineer with Pratt & Whitney after graduating from Northwestern University. He recently attended his 50th reunion at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in June of this year. He was a former Chairman of the Governor's Committee to employ the handicapped. Upon arriving in Palm Beach County, he became a member of the Palm Beach Sailing Club. Mr. Gustafson was an activist in wheelchair and disability related issues. He was also a member of the State of Florida Board of Architect and Interior Design and the Jupiter Medical Center Advisory Board. Gary fulfilled his lifelong passion for aviation by building a Murphy Rebel airplane that he enjoyed everyday. Being an avid football fan, he closely followed the University of Miami recruiting and was very excited for the new football season. Gary was a voracious reader who kept everyone close to him informed of the latest in sports, politics, world affairs, and humor. He began each day by taking his grand dog, Luna, on her morning walk and liked taking her everywhere he went. Mostly he will be remembered for his interest in people he met by befriending them and engaging in conversation. He truly enjoyed everyone's stories.

He is survived by his wife Diane (Parrish), and daughter Julie Russell of Jupiter; one brother, Jim Gustafson of New Iberia, LA and his wife Ann; his nephew Ryan Gustafson, wife Shawn and their children, Joel and Julia; and a nephew, Ross Gustafson; and the Parrish clan “blob”.

A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00AM, Thursday, August 4, 2011 at the Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home, 250 Center St., Jupiter, FL. Friends are invited to meet with the family from 10 – 11 AM, prior to services. The family suggests memorials to the BASA Aeronautical School, Inc., 6077 Pine Needle Lane, Lake Worth, FL 33467 used for the education and flying experiences of the students. For directions & online condolences, please visit [www.taylorandmodeen.com](http://www.taylorandmodeen.com).

Taylor & Modeen Funeral Home  
Family Owned & Operated  
(561) 744-2030, Jupiter, FL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Garrick A. Gustafson*

October 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *My heart goes out to the family on your loss. I will always remember Gary as a competitive sailor in the Palm Beach Sailing Club, cruising the Bahamas and the Hope Town sailing regattas, He also flew his new plane to the airstrip I live on in Okeechobee for a visit. He was a remarkable person and will be missed by us all. CAVU my friend!!!*

**John Harlow - Okeechobee, FL** - August 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Diane, I was saddened to learn of Gary's passing. The Board of Architecture and Interior Design members recently held a meeting last week and Garrick was there as always. He was reliable and a very good member of the board. We will keep Garrick in our memories and I extend the prayers and thoughts of the board to you and your family. Dr. Anthony B. Spivey, DBA Executive Director Board of Architecture and Interior Design*

**Dr. Anthony B. Spivey - Tallahassee, FL - Executive Director** - August 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Gary. I am glad I was able to know you. You were a wonderful man and a good friend to my parents. I hope you are running in heaven. Patty*

**Patty Grimes - Jupiter, FL - friend** - August 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Daine*

*Nancy and I send our heart felt sympathy and prayers for your tragic loss. I always Gary's achievement and success in really "living" as if his disability was a minor thing. In his passing I am learning that achjieved much more than what I had seen.*

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**Dennis & Nancy Failoni - Tequesta, FL** - August 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM