



## Gordon Burns Lydick

January 28, 1965 - January 6, 2025

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Gordon Burns Lydick, a larger-than-life soul whose infectious belly laugh and adventurous spirit touched countless lives. With his signature blue hair and warm smile, Gordon was impossible to miss and even harder to forget.

Gordon was born January 28, 1965, to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lydick of Bladensburg, MD and rounded out the family of 6. He passed away January 6, 2025, with family at his side.

A proud United States Navy veteran who served his country with distinction, Gordon approached life with an enthusiasm that was impossible to ignore. Those who knew him best would often hear him reflect that he "lived an interesting life"—an understatement that brought a knowing smile to all who shared in his adventures.

Gordon's zest for life was evident in everything he did. His passion for heavy metal music, love of cruising the world's oceans, and appreciation for good food, spoke to his dedication to experiencing life's pleasures to the fullest. His legendary laugh could fill any room, and his eagerness to embrace new adventures inspired those around him to live life more fully.

Family and friends meant everything to Gordon, and he showed it through his

dedication to creating lasting memories with his loved ones. Whether planning the next cruise, sharing a meal, or simply spending time together, he had an extraordinary gift for turning ordinary moments into unforgettable experiences.

Gordon was preceded in death by his father Gordon Lydick, his mother Marlene Lydick, and his nephew Cory Lydick. He is survived by his siblings Patricia, Lynda, and Richard, along with several nieces and nephews who will forever cherish his memory.

Gordon leaves behind a legacy of love, laughter, and countless cherished memories. His favorite saying about living "an interesting life" was more than just words—it was a philosophy that he embodied every day, reminding us all to embrace life's adventures and cherish our time with loved ones. His vibrant spirit, much like his memorable blue hair, brought color and joy to all who knew him.

A celebration of life is planned for February 15, 2025, at 1pm ET. For his family and friends unable to attend in person, the service will be streamed live. Please click the below link for live stream.

[https://www.youtube.com/live/\\_uTIkrEz9QQ?si=bE65c60Bzik3Wwpy](https://www.youtube.com/live/_uTIkrEz9QQ?si=bE65c60Bzik3Wwpy)

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in memory of Gordon Lydick to the American Red Cross or Tunnel to Towers.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

FEB **15**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

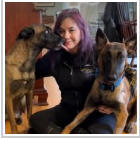
DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory

9001 N. Orlando Avenue

Maitland, FL 32751

<https://www.facebook.com/DeGusipeFH/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *An eternal debt of gratitude...Gordon was the person who got me to venture out of the country for the first time, take a cruise for the first time, and to make me realize that we truly only live one life in this shell. Thank you, brother. Because of you, I have seen many places and met many faces. May your journey into the next realm be just as adventurous as the one you had in this lifetime. Cheers, until we meet again... <3*



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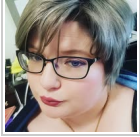
**Tracye Shannon** - February 16, 2025 at 06:04 PM

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“ *I had the honor of serving with Gordon, we had many good days in the Ordnance shop. When I was selected to Chief, he was huge part of my initiation and training. On my final night, having been through over 24 hours of training, and in the final hours, I would say I was approaching my breaking point! I was on my hands and knees and he came down to my level, and asked if I was giving up. He told me to dig deep, to be strong, to fight for what I wanted, to “man up”, be ordnance strong! His encouragement reset me, and helped me pull together and finish strong! For those who don’t know “Chief’s initiation” is a mile stone in a Navy career, so this memory will never be forgotten. IYAOYAS!*

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**Rachel Stroman** - February 15, 2025 at 01:02 PM



“ *Uncle Gordon's laugh was infectious. He could light up any room he entered and make friends with anyone. He was one of those people you meet once in a lifetime and I'm honored to call him family. One of my fondest memories is when he visited for my graduation from ASU. The timing was perfect and he ended up being present when my now husband proposed to me too. During his visit we spent countless hours playing at Top Golf and he whole heartedly welcomed my husband into the family. We took him to our favorite sushi spot one night and he said he'd be a hard critic cuz he loves sushi and has had the real thing. He said that sushi was some of the best he's had since Japan. A true compliment that made the owner's day. That was the kind of person my uncle was, someone who could put a smile on a stranger's face and make a new friend effortlessly. I'm going to truly miss all our talks about metal music and WoW.*

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**ReBekah Marie** - February 12, 2025 at 05:09 PM



“ *So here is a safe share; when my brother Gordon was in high school and wanted a day off I wrote his absence notes. Reason is even though we are 8 years apart we went to same school. I was only there my senior year and wrote my notes. This was way before computers and if the school had any stored the hand writing matched.*

*I just want to say that though Gordon isn't with us in the physical sense his spirit is always with us. As long as we keep him in our memories the love we shared with him binds our spirits throughout eternity.*

*Baby brother I miss you and am so proud that we are sibs.*

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**Lynda Lydick-Hegarty** - February 07, 2025 at 02:19 AM