

Gary Zeiger (1953 - 2021)

Tributes

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“As the Daily Bulletin editor, I shared an office with Gary at the Albuquerque Regional for the last 16 years. We spent many hours swapping gossip and ‘character assessments’ and of course laughing. I think he even forgave me for the ‘Happy DIC’ photo in one of my bulletins! I will really miss him. He was a wonderful human being.” Felix Moore

“Knowing Gary for more than 40 years, I saw his many sides -- knowledge of the laws of bridge, zany humor, intense loyalty and genuine caring for his friends. He was a unique person and will be uniquely missed.” Phebe Packer

“Getting to know Gary was like a walk on the wild side. He was like a piece of chocolate. Hard shell on the outside and a warm loving center once you broke in.” Suzette Wynn

“Mr. ZMan was an extremely ethical man whose wry sense of humor was only fully appreciated by those close to him. He will be sorely missed by the bridge world.” Leon Lowe

“I, along with the entire Unit 354 membership, was deeply saddened to learn of the death of our “hometown” National Director, Gary Zeiger. His unique wit and dedicated directorial competence made our events over the years one of the most enjoyable in the country. He will be sorely missed by the entire ACBL bridge community.” Ken Titow

“... I know Gary Zeiger through my friends who have known him for 30 plus years -- him getting to the Blue Ribbon finals with Vic, family stories, charades and really funny stories about sharing hotel rooms at tournaments. ... I also know Gary through my experiences with him. ... He had a dry (sense of) humor. He passed my partner and I talking about a hand -- he was friends with us both. ‘Stop the postmortem,’ said Gary. ‘my stomach can't handle it.’ Professionally, I found Gary to be the clearest most accurate director I've met. He would always take my phone calls to answer my questions. He ... support(ed) my decisions if clients challenged me. I will miss him and his mentoring.” Kandi Osborne

“Not only was Gary a great mentor and an extremely knowledgeable director, but he had an amazing sense of humor. He kept me laughing through every tournament. The best part about his humor was he would have the heartiest laughs about himself. We lost the very best of the ACBL.” Linda Mitchell