



# Jose Gava

MAR 5, 1959 - OCT 8, 2013



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Jose Gava, 54, of Centerville passed away Tuesday, October 8, 2013 at his home. Jose was born to Remigio & Derly Gava on March 5, 1959 in Burarama, Espirito Santo, Brazil. He was a foreign exchange student in the states during high school but moved back home and received his high school education in Brazil. Jose moved back to the United States in 1984. He married Susan Lynn Adams on December 22, 1990 in Fort Collins, Colorado. In 1992, Jose received his Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree from Colorado State University. He was currently employed at Musco Lighting in Oskaloosa as a Graphic Designer. Jose enjoyed traveling, listening to music, cooking, eating, going to the beach, dancing and time spent with his friends and family. He especially enjoyed spending time with his daughters and granddaughter. Jose is survived by two children: Kylie Jane Gava of Grinnell, Elyse Maria Gava of Grinnell, granddaughter, Serenity Jolynn Meldrem of Grinnell, mother, Derly Gava, four siblings: Carlos Augusto Gava, Maria Do Rosario Gava Grillo, Antonio Carlos Gava and Lucianita Gava Teixeira; all of Brazil, South America. He was preceded in death by his father Remigio Gava. A Celebration of Life Service will be 7 PM, Monday, October 14, 2013 at Thomas Funeral Home in Centerville. Visitation will be one hour prior from 6-7 PM. Per his wishes, Mr. Gava's ashes will be scattered in his native land of South America along the coast line. Memorials may be given to the family. Condolences and video may be shared at [www.thomasfh.com](http://www.thomasfh.com). To send flowers or a memorial gift to the family of Jose Gava please visit our Sympathy Store. Visitation OCT 14. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CDT) Thomas Funeral Home - Centerville 501 North 18th StreetCenterville, IA 52544[[emailprotected](mailto:)] Service OCT 14. 7:00 PM (CDT) Thomas Funeral Home - Centerville 501 North 18th StreetCenterville, IA 52544[[emailprotected](mailto:)]



## Tribute Wall

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**Thomas Funeral Home** posted:

October 21 at 12:03 PM



**Thomas Funeral Home** shared an album called **Obituary Wall**.

October 13 at 12:38 PM



**Kylie Gava** posted:

Loved reading this memory!

August 15 at 7:00 PM



**Kylie Gava** posted:



August 15 at 7:00 PM



**Ren** posted:

He is loved and will be cherished. He was going to be talked about forever. I miss you.

March 9 at 7:00 PM



**Ryan** posted:

you are still not forgotten. say hi to randy for me.

February 28 at 7:00 PM



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RJ

**Ryan Jeffryes** posted:

I worked with Jose in the kitchen at the Lory State Student Center at CSU from 1990 - 1994. Him teaching me how to cook. Him firing me as his Algebra tutor after our second session! So many good memories from Jose and that crew in the kitchen. Rest in peace my friend. Ryan Jeffryes, Greeley, CO

November 19 at 7:00 PM

CB

**Claret Braga** posted:

Saudades de vc querido amigo de juventude!! I'll miss you, my friend! God bless your family!

October 13 at 7:00 PM

KB

**Kathy Browns** posted:

Susan & girls, we are saddened to hear of Jose's passing. We will always cherish those memories of Carl Jr. bringing Missionary friends home with him and gathering @ your home for fellowship. Such precious memories of both Jose' and Carl Jr. and your warm hospitality. Miss you and God Bless you Susan. Michael & Kathy Browns Centerville, Iowa 52544

October 11 at 7:00 PM

FE

**Fabio, Julliana E Gui** posted:

Fabio, Julliana e Gui purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Jose Gava.

October 10 at 7:00 PM

BS

**Barb And Tim Seavy** posted:

My memories of Jose go back to his Ft. Collins days. Such a pleasant, caring person to be around, and always with a smile. We missed seeing Jose in recent years, but will always carry fond memories of our time with him. We know that he will be missed by many. Our condolences to the Gava family, with special thoughts to Kylie, Elyse and Serenity. Barb and Tim Seavy

October 10 at 7:00 PM



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BG

**Bernadete Gava** posted:

Nossa infancia foi compartilhada junto primo . Saudades da poca dos banhos do aude e vrias outras peripcias . Nos separamos no me lembro quando , cada um procurando seu futuro ainda adolescente e voc foi buscar o seu muito longe , nunca mais nos vimos . Agora vc descansa nos braos do Pai Eterno e as saudades sero eternas tb . Descanse em paz Guila Gava!!!!!!

October 9 at 7:00 PM

CP

**Cheilamar Prates Page** posted:

Lembranas de muito amor fraternal. Gol may receive you with much light!!!!

October 9 at 7:00 PM

SS

**Sue And Rick Schulte** posted:

We have so many good memories of our friend Jose working at Curwood & Musco together, boating at Lake Rathbun (the time he was determined to water ski and almost lost his shorts), bonfires & beer (or Brazilian firewater), getting together for Christmas cheer, Jose sitting on our family room floor with a 90 lb. golden retriever in his lap, carpooling to and from work listening to tales of growing up in Brazil and sharing updates with love and pride about his beautiful daughters and granddaughter. Jose, you were a great friend with a contagious smile and a generous spirit. We will miss you. Our hearts are saddened by your loss and our thoughts and prayers are with you.

October 9 at 7:00 PM

SF

**Susan Foss** posted:

I appreciate your choice of words of Jose's contagious smile and generous spirit. Thank you.

October 9 at 7:00 PM

MG

**Maria Do Rosario Gava** posted:

Guila voce foi e sempre sera uma pessoa especial e com certeza tambem esta sendo ai ao lado do pai....descanse em Paz!!!!!!

October 9 at 7:00 PM



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ET

**Erin Huisman Thomas** posted:

Erin Huisman Thomas lit a candle in memory of Jose Gava

October 9 at 7:00 PM

LY

**Lyvia** posted:

Que deus esteja com voc tio...te amamos!!!

October 9 at 7:00 PM

JG

**Julliana Gava** posted:

Julliana Gava lit a candle in memory of Jose Gava

October 9 at 7:00 PM

JG

**Julliana Gava** posted:

Sempre foi um pai, irmo, tio e amigo exemplar. A saudade imensa! Que Deus te receba de braos abertos. Te amaremos para sempre! Fica com Deus! Voc sempre estar em nossos coraes. Jully

October 9 at 7:00 PM

AH

**Anne Hill** posted:

I always admired Jose's courage to leave Brazil to come to the US to get his education and ultimately make a home for himself here. He so loved Kyle and Elyse and the added joy Serenity brought to his life. My thoughts and prayers are with the Gava family. Anne Hill

October 8 at 7:00 PM

HG

**Heather Groenenboom** posted:

Jose was always a pleasant person to work with. He would always tease us in a healthy manner! It was fun having Jose as a supervisor. He would always help me understand things that I had trouble understanding! He will be greatly missed! God's blessing to his loved ones! Psalms 3418

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JR

**Jane Ryder** posted:

Here's a Good memory I'll always have of my friendsupervisor, Jose Gava We were super busy in the shirt shop at Musco. Jose offered a helping hand so we could make the deadlines in a timely fashion. I turned on some hiphop and we danced, sang, and printed shirts to the songs of Outkast, R.Kelley, and CeeLo Green. It was a lot of fun and I'll miss having Jose around. He was a good man and a good friend. Good vibes and happy thoughts to his family and loved ones.

October 8 at 7:00 PM

KY

**Kylie** posted:

this sounds exactly like my dad!

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DN

**Dina Neeley** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Dina Neeley, Musco Psalm 3418 The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; he rescues those whose spirits are crushed

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## Media

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