



## Fairley Ray Gooch

April 17, 1945 - September 6, 2012

GOOCH, Fairley Ray, 67 years old, of Roswell, GA, died suddenly on September 6, 2012. A beloved husband and father, Mr. Gooch is survived by his wife, Barbara Finigan Gooch, daughter, Elizabeth Gooch and her partner, Lisa Fierman, and son, Thomas Gooch and his wife, Liu Yue, and granddaughter, Maia, all of Atlanta. He is also survived by his sister, Judy Gooch, and brother, William Gooch, both of Denver, Colorado, and five nieces and nephews. His sister, Glenda Ross, died earlier this year.

Fairley attended North Point Community Church, Alpharetta, GA. An avid pilot, he flew for Western Airlines and retired as a captain from Delta Airlines. Mr. Gooch served as a 1st Lieutenant in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and was awarded the Bronze Star. He attended Emory at Oxford and graduated from Georgia State University in 1972.

A memorial service will be held at Northside Chapel, 12050 Crabapple Road, Roswell, Georgia, on Wednesday, September 12th at 7:00 p.m., with visitation from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. An interment service will follow on Thursday, September 13th at 11:00 a.m., at Salem #1, Sugar Hill Church, located on Highway 60 at Skeenah Gap Road, Fannin County, Georgia.

In lieu of flowers, please send contributions to the Wounded Warrior Project, P.O. Box 758517, Topeka, Kansas 66675.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 12. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory  
12050 Crabapple Road  
Roswell, GA

## Service

SEP 12. 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Fairley Ray Gooch*

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October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *Fairly was not only a new hire classmate, but a roommate in Denver. He was one of the good guys and will be missed.*

*Semper Fi!*

*Steve Fletcher##imported-begin##Steve Fletcher##imported-end##*

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September 29, 2012 at 10:00 AM



“ *The passing of Ray saddened me greatly. It also reminded me of the fond memories I have being a new hire with the Western family. My sincere condolences to the family.*

*Murdo Cameron*

*Ray's classmate##imported-begin##Murdo Cameron##imported-end##*

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September 12, 2012 at 09:10 PM



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Murdo Cameron

Ray's classmate##imported-begin##Murdo Cameron##imported-end##

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September 12, 2012 at 09:09 PM



“ Fairley and I were hired by Western Air Lines in April of 1976. After initial training we were sent to Denver where we roomed together while flying as gibs (guy in the back) in the 737. Years later we would run into each other as our careers progressed. I'm delighted to have known him and am saddened by his passing. He was a friend and fellow pilot. May you have peace knowing that he passed doing what he loved. My thoughts and prayers go out to you, his family.##imported-begin##Dick Cawley##imported-end##

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September 12, 2012 at 07:22 PM



“ I met Fairley in 1959 at Gordon. We were both starting the 9th grade and had military class together. We became good friends ever since. We had a lot of good times and got into some trouble at Gordon. After we graduated there were long periods when I did not hear from him but we always reconnected. I always felt very fortunate to have Fairley as a friend. We spent many hours talking over the phone about our lives and families. He will be dearly missed. My heart goes out to his family. Lloyd S. Hendry##imported-begin##Lloyd S. Hendry##imported-end##

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September 12, 2012 at 06:06 AM



“ I too was a 1976 Western Airlines classmate with Fairley. Although our early career paths had taken separate directions, I enjoyed the opportunity of getting to know him. Fairley was highly regarded by his peer group at Western Airlines. We all will dearly miss him. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. Tom & Cathy Valenzia##imported-begin##Tom & Cathy Valenzia##imported-end##

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September 11, 2012 at 09:15 PM



“ I, too, was a classmate of Fairley at Western. I was just informed of his untimely death and am very saddened. Although I had not seen Fairley in many years, I remember him as a great guy that everyone liked. I would like his family to accept my heartfelt sympathy.

Tom Fisher##imported-begin##Tom Fisher##imported-end##

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September 11, 2012 at 01:50 PM



“ I was classmates and roommates with Fairly when we both started with Western in April 1976. He was a great guy, and I'm truly saddened to hear of his passing. I'd like extend my deepest sympathies to his family. My thoughts are with you.

Tim Tobin##imported-begin##Tim Tobin##imported-end##

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September 11, 2012 at 01:37 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts are with your family.##imported-begin##Barbara & Sal Clarizio##imported-end##

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September 10, 2012 at 10:22 PM



“ *Please know that we are thinking about you at this very difficult time.##imported-begin##Marty & JoAngela Fierman##imported-end##*

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September 10, 2012 at 04:13 PM