



## Gordon N. Mawhinney

January 31, 1945 - December 9, 2019

It is with heavy hearts that we share the passing of our beloved husband and father, Gordon Mawhinney, on Monday, December 9, 2019. He will be remembered as a kind and caring person who always saw the good in everyone. He had a distinctive chuckle as he would find humor in the smallest things. Gordon shared his God-given artistic talents with everyone. He will be deeply missed but we rejoice in knowing that God has welcomed him into His loving arms. Gordon was born on January 31, 1945 in Detroit, Michigan to the late Melvin and Clara Belle Mawhinney.

Gordon was a devoted husband, an incredible father and loving grandfather. He will be greatly missed by his loving wife, Tess Mawhinney; daughter, Amy (Fred) Durant; sons, Kirk (Hannah) Mawhinney and Karl (Alyssa) Mawhinney; sister, Shirley (Bob) Mack; brother, Jerry (Alice) Mawhinney; grandchildren, Parker and Adelyn Durant; Caitlyn and Isaac Mawhinney; and many nieces and nephews.

Gordon graduated from Center for Creative Studies in Detroit, Michigan. He was a member of St. Joan of Arc Church, St. Joan of Arc's Men Club, GIFT small church community, Church Photographer and involved with various ministries at St. Joan of Arc Church. Gordon was also a member of the Rosary Prayer Groups and Philippine American Society of Central Ohio (PASCO)

Family will receive friends from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, December 13th, 2019 at Rutherford Funeral Home, 450 W Olentangy St, Powell, OH 43065. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m., Saturday, December 14, 2019 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 10700 Liberty Rd, Powell, OH 43065.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his memory to American Cancer Society.

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

DEC 13. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell  
450 West Olentangy Street  
Powell, OH 43065  
(614) 792-1471  
info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Gordon N. Mawhinney*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM

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“ Gordon was my brother-in-law. I met Gordon in Detroit, Michigan when he was dating my sister, Tess. It seems to me, he blended very well with the family and our circle of friends. That was the relationship he would have with our family for the rest of his life.

When Gordon and Tess decided to get married in the Philippines, little did he know that he was going for the trip of a lifetime. It must have been a huge culture shock to Gordon, but he very quickly learned and adapted to the closely-knit, matriarchal society in the Philippines.

A few years later, after settling into a quiet, married life, Gordon and Tess were jolted with the news that they were expecting triplets. On a visit to New York City when Tess was heavy with the triplets, they were on an escalator in a department store. Tess turn to Gordon and announced loudly to him, "Don't you think it's about time you married me?" Terribly embarrassed, Gordon could only react with his singular laughter. Life with triplets must have been a whirlwind that only a strong, quiet person like Gordon could handle.

Many years later, when my mother, Puring, was faced with living alone in the Philippines, Gordon very generously offered to take my mother into their home. He knew what he was in for, but his love for Tess and his generous spirit overcame any trepidations he may have had. For many years, he was a major caregiver of my mother. He would take her to her medical appointments, put up with her moods, made her laugh, and rescued her from dangerous situations. He took care of her like his own mother.

That was Gordon and much more. Gordon was a kind, warm and self-effacing person who had a ready smile and chuckle. As an artist he was always busy doing creative work. He was a perfectionist with his art and was satisfied only when he did his best.

I will miss my brother-in-law, his steady presence and his good-natured ways.

*Thank you, Gordon, for having been a part of our family.*

*Amy G. Hernandez*

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**Amy Hernandez** - December 20, 2019 at 04:12 PM

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“ *A friend, colleague, mentor and kind soul.  
We will miss him so much.*

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**Rick Eberts** - December 14, 2019 at 08:42 AM

JK

“ *I would like to say how special my "ninong" Gordon was to me. He always asked me how i was and made sure I was doing okay. Always asking me how is life in Florida. He was such a nice and caring person to everyone. I send my best and sympathy to the family. Rest in peace Ninong Gordon.*

*Justin Kouns*

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**Justin Kouns** - December 13, 2019 at 09:52 AM

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“ Gordon was such a good man, a caring friend and we'll miss him dearly. We'll miss him at our family gathering especially his reminders to me when he has prepared coffee. He was my coffee buddy at rosary prayers, I thank him for his art as our wedding gift and for being the Godfather of my son, Justin. Rest in peace Gordon, and let the perpetual light shine upon you. Watch us over us while you are having a ball in heaven.

Your friend and kumare,

Joy Kouns Lewis

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**Joy Kouns Lewis** - December 13, 2019 at 04:39 AM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Gordon N. Mawhinney.



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December 12, 2019 at 04:17 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gordon N. Mawhinney.



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December 12, 2019 at 02:36 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gordon N. Mawhinney.*



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December 12, 2019 at 02:33 PM



“ *Doug, Dirk, Joy Lewis and Godson Justin Kouns purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Gordon N. Mawhinney.*



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**Doug, Dirk, Joy Lewis and Godson Justin Kouns** - December 11, 2019 at 11:33 PM



“ *Prayers for Tito Gordon. Condolences from Gaboy Family of Penaranda, Nueva Ecija.*

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**Regidor Gaboy** - December 11, 2019 at 10:55 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Gordon N. Mawhinney.*



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December 11, 2019 at 10:02 PM