

Flanagan, Gary

November 6, 1939 - December 7, 2025

Peacefully, on Sunday December 7, 2025, at Trillium Health Partners, at the age of 86. Loving son of the late C.J. Flanagan and Aileen Burke. Dear brother of the late Jack Flanagan. Gary was a real people person with a charming personality, great sense of humour complimented with a cheerful & happy smile. He was one of the good ones!! Gary was a 50 year plus veteran of the Canadian Film Industry & one of the early founders who built an industry that is now referred to as the 'Hollywood North'. A lifetime member as a 1st AD of the Directors Guild of Canada and an over 45 year 'Gold Card' member of IATSE Local 873 having worked on over 150 hours of T.V. shows plus 23 feature films. In 1964 he joined A.C.T.R.A the Motion Picture Performers Union as a stuntman & actor. Gary loved spending everyday working in the business, in any capacity he was in! He spent most of his later years in the IATSE 873 Transport Dept. looking after the needs and safety of the talent he was assigned to care for ie: Brando, De Niro, Willis, Kidman, J Chan & S Loren to name a few. A real cowboy and lifelong horseman he spent much of the year's winter months in Arizona. He loved working with Don & Shelly Donnelly of the 'D Spur Ranch' in Gold Canyon, east of Phoenix taking riders up into the "Superstition Mountains". Gary raised Appaloosa's, Thoroughbreds, and American Quarter Horses on his farm in Schomberg, Ontario. One of the first members of the "Ontario Rodeo Association" in the late 50's and early 60's, as a bronc rider and calf roper. Gary was proud to be associated with the old 'Circle M Ranch' in Kleinberg with his lifelong friends, John 'Frenchie' Berger, Al Greco and Tony Lucibello. Gary firmly believed in something Will Rogers once said. "There is something about the outside of a horse that's good for the inside of a man." A special thanks to all his friends of a lifetime, for all the good times and some sad times shared! He loved you all. A private graveside service will be held in the spring.

"That's a wrap!"

...the Old Wrangler...