



## Roy J. Gardner

May 21, 1947 - January 10, 2011

Professor Roy J. Gardner passed away unexpectedly on Monday, January 10, 2011 at his residence in Bloomington. He was 63 years old. He leaves his wife of 42 years, Carla Gardner (Reardon), son James C. Gardner and his partner Alice Moffatt of Seattle, and daughter Sara A. Gardner and her partner Betsy Williamson of Bloomington, and numerous friends, colleagues, and students. Roy Gardner was born on May 21, 1947 in Peoria, Illinois to Harold and Ann Gardner (Firtik), both deceased. He was valedictorian of his high school class of 1965 at Limestone High, Peoria as well as the state Latin champion. He graduated summa cum laude from Bradley University in 1968. He served as an artillery officer in the US Army-Vietnam and won the Bronze Star for his service to his country. Roy earned his Ph.D. in economics from Cornell University in 1975. He recently retired from Indiana University where he had been since 1983. He held the titles of Chancellor's Professor of Economics (since 1996) and Henry H. H. Remak Professor of West European Studies (since 2004). Roy specialized in the theory of games and economic behavior. He was a member of a large multidisciplinary NSF grant, "Mathematics across the Curriculum," (Indiana University), as well as a large German Science Foundation grant (University of Mannheim), and two large TransAtlantic Cooperation grants from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (University of Bonn and Humboldt University Berlin). He also served as the Academic Director of the MA program in Economics at the Ukrainian National University "Kyiv-Mohyla Academy" since 2002. He applied

game theory to such topics as class struggle, spoils systems, draft resistance, alliance formation, monetary union, and corruption. Roy was dynamic and full of life and will be deeply missed by each person who knew him. A celebration of Roy's life will be held at the Frangipani Room, at the Indiana Memorial Union on January 29, 2011 at 2 p.m. In Lieu of flowers an award has been created to honor Roy, the Roy J. Gardner "Best Thesis" Award through the Department of West European Studies. Please make your check to the Dept. of West European Studies in honor of Roy J. Gardner and submit to the IU Foundation PO Box 500, Bloomington, IN 47402 Arrangements are through Allen Funeral Home 4155 South Old Highway 37 and online memories may be sent to the family at [www.allenfuneralhome.org](http://www.allenfuneralhome.org).

# Tribute Wall

LE

“ *Prof G :)  
You will be very missed. Thank you for all your help and thank you for being always so cheerful and full of life!*

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**Lena Ogrokhina** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

HA

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Roy's family. He was one of my favorite professors at IU and was very helpful to me when I was working on my dissertation. He will be missed.*

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**Hasan Faruq** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

ER

“ *My wife and I are deeply saddened that we have lost a great friend, great mentor, and a Brother in Arms. I cherish the time that I had him as my instructor and eagerly entered his classroom. He was a great mentor as my MA thesis advisor. After I left IU Roy and I kept in constant touch through the years and shared many a story and many a joke through the years. As a fellow Army officer he and I could swap the inherent humor that often surrounds the Army... Few people realize what he had to endure in Khe Sanh... surrounded... cut off... and pounded by enemy artillery on a daily basis. It was a brutal existence yet he pulled his men through - a testament to a very talented young officer... His senior officers apparently didnt think much of his appearance when they finally made it to the front and Roy said he just laughed.... my kind of guy! Roy! The whenever I smoke a Cuban I'll remember you my friend....*

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**Eric Hartman** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

ED

“ I had the privilege of working with Roy a few years in a row in the summer at CERGE-EI in Prague as a discussant. He was a good man, with a cheerful soul and a sharp mind. It was a pleasure to share work with him. I will miss him.

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**Edward Christie** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

KE

“ *Dear Gardner Family:*  
*Words cannot convey the deep sadness I feel in learning of Roy's passing. As I described to my wife upon learning of this news, there are a handful of people that truly altered the course of my life. Certainly, my parents, grandparents, wife and children are on that list. But so too, is Roy. He allowed me to hitch my cart upon his horse back in 1981 when I was a young student at Indiana, and he put me onto the path of economics from which I never strayed. His early work in game theory was particularly inspiring and the lessons he taught have carried me well throughout my adult life. I wanted to share this with you so that you understand that I am but a very small representative sample upon which Roy had a profound impact. My deepest condolences to you all.*

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**Ken Sutton** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JJ

“ I am deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Roy Gardner. I and my family offer our sincerest condolences to the Gardner family. For well over 12 years Roy and I were an interview team during the December weekend visit of Wells Scholars nominees. Though we talked throughout the year, it was always a joy to join Roy on a Saturday afternoon for several intense hours of conversation with 4-5 excellent high school seniors and our own discussions together which followed. He always brought high seriousness and good cheer.

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**john mccluskey, jr.** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

WI

“ Roy and I served together as artillery officers in 1st BN/2ND Artillery in Baumholder, Germany. The last time I saw Roy was February 1971 in Dong Ha, Vietnam on my way to the mess hall. He had just come in from a flight as an AO. We talked for a few minutes.

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**William Randolph** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

RI

“ My condolences to his family. I first met Roy when I came to Indiana in 2003. From the start, I saw how involved he was in helping our graduate students. He was a frequent member of dissertation and thesis committees, and was always willing to give advice and support to the younger people. We will miss him.

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**Ricardo Lopez** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

ST

“ Roy was always so very kind to the staff in the Economics Department. I am very sad to hear of his passing. He always made my day brighter. My sincere condolences to his family. He was a lovely person.

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**Stefanie Estes** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

AR

“ I am deeply saddened to learn of Prof. Gardner's passing. He was my MA thesis advisor in Kiev, and I have the best memories of his intelligence, and kindness, and humor. My deepest condolences to the family.

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**Artem Korzhenevych** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

PA

“ *My sincerest condolences to the family of Roy Gardner. I will miss Roy's early morning drop by discussions. I'm thankful for these conversations. My thoughts and prayers to the family and friends of Roy.*

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**Paul Graf** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

CA

“ *As a former IU student, I was shocked to read the news. My sincere condolences to Professor Gardner's family. A real loss for the IU community.*

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**Calin Arcalean** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JA

“ *I was shocked and saddened to learn of Roy's death. He and I were right in the middle of finishing up the last of several jointly-authored articles stemming from an NSF grant applying game theory to fisheries. Over the past several years, Roy and I were in constant contact. He was a great research partner and colleague, from whom I learned a good deal. I will miss him more than I can say. My wife Ann and I send our deepest condolences to the family.*

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**James Acheson** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

DO

“ Roy was a friend of mine since 1963. He was a brilliant student in high school, and our valedictorian. I can remember him setting in the back of our math class studying calculus on his own, while Mr. Bangert attempted to teach algebra and trigonometry to the rest of us. His enthusiasm did not stop at the classroom; he enjoyed wrestling and other after school activities, and also our late night poker games. He occasionally would practice his wrestling holds on one of us after losing a big poker hand. He was a guy you looked up to because of his superior intellect and zest for learning. I will miss him a lot. My condolences to Carla, James, and Sara.

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**Don Schuster** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

AN

“ You never expect this, but when it happens you suddenly feel the emptiness that remains. My deepest and utmost condolences.

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**Andrey Klesov** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JO

“ I First met Roy while I was teaching economics in undergraduate program at Kyiv Mohyla Academy. Later I became a colleague at EERC there through my position as external reviewer of the student masters' theses (2002-2009). Roy was an extraordinary man. In addition to his scholarship, I most appreciated his passion for teaching, for his students and colleagues, and his loyalty to the many institutions with which he was associated. His involvement helped the EERC program avert several disasters over the years. Finally, his instant response to any and all emails convinces me that he never slept. He will be missed by us all.

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**Joyce Gleason** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

HA

“ Dear Karla and children,

*Though I have not seen Roy very often since retiring, my memories of him in the Economics Department are many and very pleasant. His concern for his students was always apparent and his good humor was unfailing. When Dick and I lived in Sycamore Knolls we frequently saw Roy on his bicycle early in the morning when we were taking a walk. It is a terrible shock that he has left us so early in his life and we all will miss him greatly.*

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**Harriet Pfister** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

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“ I first met Roy in freshman Latin class in Illinois in 1960. Within weeks I began to have the wonderful but theretofore unfamiliar feeling that learning in school could be an adventure. I did not get this feeling from our teacher. I got it from Roy. Even now, though I recall no particular lesson of any of our teachers, I remember (to give just two instances) Roy’s rousing orations in speech class – one on Betty Friedan and the other on Napoleon. Even more vividly, I remember Roy from another setting – the night-time poker table. During our junior and senior years, several of us guys met almost weekly for long sessions (sometimes till dawn) in this or that parental basement. To these scenes Roy contributed practically every extreme of emotional display known to the family of higher and lower primates. I mention, but am unable to fairly describe, his joyful but aesthetically horrifying renditions of ‘Be true to your school’ (by the Beach Boys) and of the opening notes of Beethoven’s Fifth; or his expressions of bottomless misery when he lost a big hand; or his mordant and unforgiving assessments of our variously defective characters when the general run of the cards was against him; or his shamelessly extravagant glee and gloating in victory. All these moods and sentiments he decorated with a Saxon phraseology of trademarked elaboration and pungency. This was our opera. How he felt things! It was glorious. Unforgettable. Roy, I thank you. To Carla, Sara, and James -- I am truly sorry for your loss.

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**Seth (Mike) Lindstromberg** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

KY

“ My condolences to James and family. My thoughts are with you.

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**Kyle Gray** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

CL

“ As a personal friend of this great guy since the 7th grade, I am deeply saddened by his passing. He really was one of the best and brightest. He will be missed. RIP, RJ. Carla

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**Carla Goetz Lawless** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JA

“ Dear Carla, James, and Sara,  
I can't believe that we are mourning Roy's death so SOON. I have enjoyed reading these tributes to Roy from you and from his friends, colleagues, and students. What a fine man, indeed!

*I hope to always remember the fun evenings that Michael and I spent with Carla and Roy, going to dinner, enjoying a brew, and sitting, maybe talking, maybe watching some tube.*

*Seasons change. Michael is gone and now Roy has joined him. And, while things will never be "normal" in the same way for us left behind, we'll somehow learn to live with the new normals.*

*Best love to you, Carla, Sara, and James,  
Janee*

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**Janee Aronoff** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

SJ

“ Dear Gardner family,  
Please accept our condolences on the passing of Roy. He was a man with a wonderful presence, we will miss him.  
Sulaiman and Jill

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**Sulaiman and Jill Zai** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

SC

“ I've only been with the department a short time, however, Roy was one of the first people to come welcome me. He was ALWAYS so friendly, made me feel like I knew him for years! Saw him Saturday night in Denver, was in such great spirits, will really miss seeing him. Sorry he did not get to enjoy his retirement. My best to all the family.

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**Scott Dobereiner** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

AL

“ My hearty condolences on sad demise of Roy Gardner, who was my teacher at EERC, Kiev.

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**Alla Kobylanska** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

VI

“ It is very bright and good Man from USA, who I know by the means of Summer School of Kyiv School of Economics. His teaching activity and non-ordinarity will be live at hearts and souls of whole people, who knows him!

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**Vitaliy Kobets** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JJ

“ Roy had an enormous impact on my early research career, when he, Lin Ostrom, and I were developing our common-pool resource project. They were wonderful collaborations that built a lasting friendship. Roy had a big big heart. He will be missed by many.

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**Jimmy Walker** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

NM

“ When I am always thinking my life in IU, Gardner comes in my head immediately. He was my professor , mentor and also a star to me . A star that leading thousands of student to chase their dream.

*Miss him forever .*

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**Nakata Mushira K** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JJ

“ Carla, Sara, and James, Words cannot express the sadness felt by Roy's passing. He touched many lives of his friends, students, colleagues, in Bloomington and worldwide. He accomplished so much and was a great person. We miss his smile, laugh, wit, and friendship. May your many wonderful memories ease your sadness.

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**Jan and Jim Ault** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

MI

“ We are very sorry for the families loss.

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**Matt , Donna and Ian Deiters** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JA

“ Sorry to hear of Roy's passing. You are in my thoughts and prayers. He was a very friendly guy in high school and always had a smile.

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**Jean Ann Meier** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

EL

“ Roy had such energy and operated at a higher speed than ordinary folk. It is hard to think of Wylie Hall without Roy's energy and intelligence.

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**Elyce Rotella** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

EL

“ Roy exuded energy and operated at a speed far faster than ordinary folks. It is hard to imagine Wylie Hall without Roy's energy and intelligence. My sympathy goes to his family, his students and his colleagues. I enjoyed my many interactions with him during the years that we were colleagues at IU.

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**Elyce Rotella** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JP

“ I'm so sorry to learn of the unexpected loss of Roy. I didn't know him personally but I did want to express my sympathy to the family. At times like these I know it's really hard to know just what to say. I have found that the Bible has very comforting words. At John 5:28,29 it says that those who have died will be resurrected back to life. It will be so wonderful when we are able to enjoy the love and company of loved ones like Roy again! I sincerely hope that this condolence gives some comfort in this time of need.

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**Jasmine P.** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

BE

“ I'm sending positive energy to Roy's family and colleagues. I met him when I was interviewing for the Wells Scholarship in 2004. His knowledge, intelligence, and wit were a little bit intimidating but he still created a remarkably encouraging and welcoming learning environment. He almost convinced me to major in econ (quite the accomplishment). I never had him for a class, but I recall hearing wonderful things about his teaching, and I have always been impressed with his research. He will be missed, but we are all lucky to have known him.

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**Becky Edmonds** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

EL

“ I very much enjoyed working with Roy in the Economics Department. He was always friendly and made me laugh all of the time. I saw him recently at the IU Auditorium and had a great time chatting with him before the show. I will miss him very much. My heartfelt condolences go out to his family.

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**Ellen Campbell** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

BO

“ My wife and I met ROY through my daughter. (One should never write the word ROY except in CAPS; also, one should never speak the word ROY without bringing it up from the deeply guttural beginning 'R' and ending with an 'I gotcha' grin). Our daughter Lara rode on the Little Five's LandSharks victory team back in '92 with Sara, the daughter of ROY and Carla. So I am with Tina Hartnett's comment: we too are big, big fans of the #1 Landsharks' fan--a role ROY did with as much relish (and more verve perhaps if that is possible) as he did his professor-ing. ROY is a once-in-a-life-time person to be privileged to meet and share time with. We thank IU and our daughter Lara for introducing us to the deeply blessed, full of life, beautiful Gardners.

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**Bob Keeley** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

CF

“ I went to high school with Roy...always a nice guy. I'm sure he will be missed.

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**Carol Ball Finley** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

KI

“ My whole family is saddened to learn of Roy's passing. I am glad to have known Dr. Gardner from growing up with James and the Gardner family. I have great memories of Roy's laugh, his wit and the great beignets he would make for us when we'd stay over. I also recall that he was one of the first multilingual adults I knew and just how fascinating that made him to a ten year-old kid from Indiana. I send my condolences to Carla, Sara and James.

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**Kirk Butler** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

MI

“ I first met Roy when I gave a job talk at Iowa State in January of 1983. In vintage Roy fashion, he invited me home for dinner afterwards (much to the surprise of Carla, I suspect). I am so glad our paths ultimately brought us both to IU. I am blessed to have had the privilege of serving with him on dissertation committees doing one of Roy's favorite things--mentoring graduate students. I will always remember, and already miss, his good nature and distinctive laugh. My prayers are with all of you in this time of sadness.

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**Mike Baye** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

H(

“ I was so sorry to read the obituary of Roy's passing. As my parents are out of the country visiting Kirk, I never would have known had Sara not posted it on her Facebook page. Please know how highly all of the Butlers think of the entire Gardner family and how truly sad we are for Roy's passing. He was a great man, terrific professor and wonderful father/husband. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Heckler Heckler (Butler)** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

TO

“ I remember being graced with his presence at Mad Dog in the Fog for Trivia Night and he rose to the occasion by helping our team win. He astonished everyone by answering all of the questions correctly for the night's themed topic: Moons of Jupiter. My condolences to friends and family.

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**Tom Swift** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JA

“ Extending my deepest condolences to your family in this very difficult time.

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**Jarrold Bailey** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JO

“ Professor Gardner was my dissertation advisor. I am so sad and shocked that he passed away. I believe that his spirit will be always with us. I would like to send my sincere condolences to Professor Gardner's family members.

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**Jounghyeon Kim** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

OL

“ Words seem inadequate to express the sadness we feel. First I met Professor Roy Gardner as a student in the MA Program in Kyiv in 1999. And what struck me then was his believe in people, in their kindness and good intentions. He was one of the best Teachers (not only in game theory) whom I will remember forever. Then I encountered him at the interview when I applied for a job in Kyiv. He was frank but optimistic and encouraging, and his faith in the future of the Kyiv School of Economics is what brought me back to Ukraine and what helped me through some of the difficult times we have been through. This January Roy has started as a full-time faculty at the KSE and lots of plans have been discussed related to his new appointment exciting all the faculty with having his wisdom, optimism and good nature on-board full-time. Roy is already greatly missed as a Teacher and as a Colleague.

*Please accept sincere condolences from me and my family to your great loss. We will cherish the memories of the times Roy was among us.*

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**Olena Nizalova** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

MA

“ He gave me a wonderful undergrad life in IU . I am so regret that I did come back to visit him often. I am sure he will be remained in Hossier's heart.

*Love Gardner and proud of his contribution to this world.*

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**Mavis Po** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

EL

“ At REEI in Bloomington, and then whenever we would meet in Ukraine over the past 15 years, I so appreciated Roy's perspectives on economics, development, academic excellence, and life journeys. He was a respected colleague whom I am privileged to have known and from whom I have benefited immensely. My thoughts are with his family and closest friends as we mourn this loss.

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**Ellie Valentine** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

DA

“ I will miss Roy's incisive intellect and marvelous wit. He was a many-talented scholar and contributed importantly to several IU programs and to several more in other countries. He served as acting director of the Russian and East European Institute with distinction and responded willingly to our frequent calls for his assistance. A big loss.

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**David Ransel** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

TP

“ I am shocked and saddened to hear about Roy's sudden death. My heart goes out to all of you. I will always remember Roy as LandShark's biggest fan - ready and willing to do anything for his girls. His (and Carla's) dedication to Sara and her goals (whatever they happened to be) was obvious and always refreshing. Thank you to both Roy and Carla for being such supportive and welcoming people to Sara's friends- it made a difference in my life.

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**Tina Harnett Pettingill** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

RO

“ As an undergraduate student of Roy's, I was always impressed by his enthusiasm for his students, teaching, and scholarship.

*Roy always made his students feel special. Roy took the time to write me personally encourage me while I struggled with Ph.D. coursework. This continued throughout my career.*

*Dr. Gardner, you will be missed.*

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**Rob Reed** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

BL

“ We miss him already -- his measured and always enlightened responses, his smile, and his laugh. While he might be gone from sight, Roy's deep impacts will forever be in our hearts and minds.

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**Betty and Larry Davidson** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

SZ

“ All Peace, Love, and Blessings to family, friends, and colleagues of Professor Roy Gardner.

*Roy taught me Price Theory in 1983. He gave me lots of advice I did and didn't take; we've been friends and brothers in the economics profession ever since. Each January, at the ASSAs, I so looked forward to the bear hug greeting I got from Roy, bounding around some corner or other, growling and scratching his chin (especially when he was near the Book Exhibit!)*

*I will speak for my brother Jim Ziliak, too, in offering warmest wishes to Roy's family and friends.*

*Steve Ziliak, Chicago IL*

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**Steve Ziliak** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

SE

“ Our deepest condolences to Roy's family. Me and my wife Iryna both had a privilege to be his students and remember him as our good friend, great teacher and a truly special person who ignited his classrooms and any gatherings with his positive outlook on life and science. We are deeply sorry his life ended way too fast.

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**Sergey Alekseychick** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

DA

“ It is so sad to hear this news. Kathy and I send our condolences, most especially to Roy's family, at this difficult time.

*Roy was a great colleague during my years at IU. He was a superb and extremely versatile scholar, and I especially remember him for his wide-ranging intellectual interests. We will all miss him and will cherish his memory.*

*Dave Wildasin  
Martin School of Public Policy and  
Department of Economics  
University of Kentucky*

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**David Wildasin** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

K(

“ Carla, James and Chica - Roy was a really great man who made positive impacts in the lives of many. His infectious personality and Young at Heart spirit made him a joy to be around. I often think fondly of the many adventures with Roy whether it was the exciting car rides home hanging out windows and pounding on roof tops, giving Trixie hickeyes with the vacuum cleaner or trips to the arcade for hours of entertainment. Roy had a special way of making everything fun. I still remember chef Roy's delicious Benyas he made for breakfast after sleepovers. My heart goes out to you as you grieve this loss. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Kristi Beyer (Saunders)** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

ZO

“ My condolences go out to Prof Roy's family. He was a great professor and an extremely genuine person. Thanks for inspiring us!

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**Zorawar Bhati** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

VA

“ We are deeply grieved to learn of the death of Roy Gardne.

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**Vadym Bizyayev** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

VO

“ Roy has touched my life more than once - first as a teacher, then as a colleague. His death is a great loss to everyone who knew him. My condolences to his family, colleagues, and friends.

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**Volodymyr Bilotkach** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JE

“ Dear Sweet Carla and "kids,"

*I can't imagine your pain right now. I'm so sorry for your loss. Please know you are in my thoughts often.*

*Carla, I always loved to hear your "Roy stories." They would always put a smile on my face and make me laugh!*

*He was a great man with a GREAT family! Praying God will give you peace and your family and friends will give you many hugs sharing in your laughter as well as your tears.*

*Sending Love and Hugs,*

*Jennifer Perry*

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**Jennifer Perry** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

BR

“ Carla and family,  
*Your in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Brenda Cochran** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

MB

“ Carla, Sara, and James, our condolences to all of you. I still picture Roy out back raking leaves or picking up rotten apples. He was a great guy, a true White Sox fan and always fun to talk with. You must have many wonderful memories. He was loved by many and he clearly touched many worldwide and will be missed. We wish you the best.

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**Mike and Barbara Horvath** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

OL

“ My deepest condolences to you from the Kyiv School of Economics and from me personally. Roy will be greatly missed at the school as colleague, mentor, and friend.

*I still cannot believe in his death. For the last few months since I became the director of the school, Roy was always available and happy to provide advice. I learned a lot from him. I spoke to Roy in person on Jan. 8th at the conference, and he was cheerful and was looking forward to go to Kiev.*

*We will find a proper way to commemorate Roy at the school.*

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**Oleksandr Rohozynsky** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

KE

“ You are the best professor in my heart! I will remember everything you said! R.I.P.

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**Kenneth** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

PA

“ I extend my sincere condolences to Roy's family. Roy touched the lives of so many people around the globe.

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**Pavlo Prokopovych** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

YO

“ *I was in Gardner's class of 2003, I missed his jokes and smile so much. Without his recommendation and advices, it's impossible for me to go to one of the best graduate schools in States.*

*I bet many people like me are going for Ph.d because of Gardner and we won't forget such a talented economist.*

*R.I.P*

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**Young Kim** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

MK

“ *I just couldn't believe he passed away. He was such a great professor.*

*Rest In Peace Professor we all will miss you*

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**Min Ko Ko Lwin** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JU

“ Roy was a friend for so many years that I cannot even count them. He was one of the best-read people I ever knew, a brilliant economist, a thinker who could draw on different disciplines, a teacher without equal, and a linguist with capabilities beyond those of so many of the linguists I knew. Articulate and faithful to his principles, Roy never failed to do what was right for his students. He could be eloquent, but he was always clear. He was always intellectually challenging and interesting in ways that made a difference to me...not to mention his students. His work with honors students, which I knew intimately, was simply inspiring. He was able to make his students achieve even more than they believed possible. And he was never afraid to get down to the hard work of the HHC scholarship committee on which he served for many years (only one to which he devoted hours of his time). His judgments were well-defined and clear. His energy and intelligence informed everything he did. Roy also knew how to appreciate and to create good food. He was always my treasured friend. Along with Carla, he made my life better and more interesting. I will miss him more than I can say.

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**Julia BONDANELLA** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

DM

“ Roy was more than just a teacher and a colleague. He was a great friend to me and my family both here and in Ukraine for many years. I still cannot believe he will not be there to finish what we have started. He will be missed by everyone who knew him. On behalf of myself and my family please accept our deepest condolences.

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**Dmytro Zhosan** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

YJ

“ Roy was my greatest professor for 4 years of my IU life. I will miss him, and I can't forget him and his classes.

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**Yoon Jeong Kim** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

AU

“ I was a student of Roy J. Gardner last year. I am extremely sad to hear his passing. I met him just a month ago. Rest in Peace, Professor!

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**Aung Aye** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

MI

“ Roy and I were friends as well as colleagues. We would often joke that we would see each other more often outside the US than on campus. My last encounter with Roy was in May of 2009, at a three-day conference at the Insel Reichenau (Konstanz, Germany). On a thursday evening we sat together on the boat that, traveling along the beautiful Bodensee, took us from Reichenau to a restaurant in Gottlieben (Switzerland). We talked mostly about family. Roy was in splendid form. I will miss him. My wife, Shelley, and I like to extend our deepest condolences to Roy's family.

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**Michele Fratianni** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

AN

“ My son, Christopher Waller, has spoken so often over the years of Roy. He was in contact with him almost every day for over 20 years. My deepest sympathy to your family.

*I know he will be missed by many, many people.*

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**Ann Waller** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

PA

“ My deepest condolences to the family. Roy touched so many lives, and gave so much to his students and colleagues. He will be missed.

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**Patricia McManus** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

BO

“ To Carla, Sara and James:  
Roy was my valued colleague from the time he came to IU. He supported my career and I learned much from him. His office was next to mine in Wylie and I always knew when he was in and we often talked about game theory and other matters. He was wonderful about reading and providing comments on others work. He seemed in such great spirits when I last saw him at the Alumni reception in Denver on Saturday. I am still in shock from learning that he so suddenly passed away. He had great plans for his retirement years. He will be missed by all of us.

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**Bob Becker** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

MA

“ Dear Sara, James, and Carla,

*I am deeply sorry for your loss, and hold you in my thoughts at this very difficult time. Roy was a great mentor to me in my dissertation work, and a friend over the years since I left Bloomington.*

*I also lost my father abruptly at a very early age, and can imagine what shock and loss you are feeling. My sincere sympathies.*

*I hope to come to the memorial on the 29th.*

*With all best wishes,*

*Mary Dakin  
Polisci PhD 1998*

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**Mary Dakin** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JH

“ *Ilse and I are shocked and deeply saddened by Roy's sudden death. He was a dear friend. And a great scholar and colleague. The world is poorer without him. We miss him very much.*

*Our hearts go out to Carla and their children, sharing their grief.*

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**Juergen and Ilse von Hagen** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JA

“ *Please accept my sincere condolences during this time of grief. Roy was a colleague who I have enjoyed several conversations with and benefited greatly from his advice. Roy had welcomed me from the first day that I joined the IU department of Economics and was always kind and helpful to me. I will miss Roy and his outlook on life. My best wishes to Roy's family.*

*Sincerely,  
Jim Self*

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**James Self** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

CA

“ *One of the best Professors in IU, all students from his class will miss his voice forever. I am so glad that I was in his class and he will be remained in all hearts of student.*

*We all love Gardner.*

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**Calvin Hau** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

CH

“ I was with Roy the last 3 nights of his life. I will always remember them for the laughs and conversation. I talked to him nearly every day for 20+ years. There is a hole in my life that I cannot fathom. Save me a chair in heaven buddy.

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**Chris Waller** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

KY

“ As one of many of Professor Gardner's former students, I was deeply saddened to hear of his passing. While I doubt he remembered me, his doctoral level game theory course was one of my favorites and I still think back fondly to some of the lessons and the way in which he taught. In addition to his family and friends, he will be missed by hundreds (if not thousands) of former students whose lives he positively impacted. On behalf of myself and several of my colleagues that I have been in touch with, I wish to extend our deepest condolences.

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**Kyle Anderson** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

RE

“ My thoughts are with your family. I will miss Roy as a colleague and fellow student of post-Communist politics. His passing is a great loss to our community.

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**Regina Smyth** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM

JH

“ To the family of Roy Gardner,

My wife and I offer our condolences on the death of Roy. He was a wonderful person and we will miss him.

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**Jeffrey Hart** - October 26, 2015 at 04:27 PM