

Performers

Florence Armour, Cello

Melinda Douros, Flute

Ken Hardin, Piano

Louis Johnson, Guitar

Beverly Marks, Soprano

Information

To learn more about pancreatic cancer:

<http://www.pancreaticcancer.com>

To learn more about Hospice of the Foothills:

(530) 273-5769

<http://www.snmh.org/cancer>

To learn more about Zen Hospice Project:

<http://www.zenhospice.org>

To learn more about the Gene Gaddini Scholarship Fund:

Barry Schoenborn

(530) 265-4705



Eugenio Valentino Gaddini

March 24, 1935 — December 26, 2000

Memorial Service
Saturday, January 20, 2001, 11:00 am
336 Crown Point Circle
Grass Valley, CA 95945

Shades of White

Terry Riley
(March 15, 1990)

Strangely warmed is death like this

Heaven closes in in deep covered snow. Oh!

Shades of white hold you and I in deep of snow

Strangely warmed is death like this

Program

OVERTURE — Allegro

Music Louis Johnson

MOVEMENT 1 — Moderato

Welcome Barry Schoenborn
Song *O, mio caro bambino* (Puccini)
Beverly Marks, Soprano
Ken Hardin, Piano

MOVEMENT 2 — Vivace

Biography Barry Schoenborn
Eulogy Jerry Pressler
Musical Interlude Louis Johnson

MOVEMENT 3 — Adagio

Readings Journals of Gene Gaddini
Remembrances Friends

MOVEMENT 4 (FINALE) — Andante

Musical Interlude Louis Johnson
Prayer Lynda Straus
Song *Shades of White* (Terry Riley)
Florence Armour, Cello
Melinda Douros, Flute
Ken Hardin, Piano
Beverly Marks, Soprano

RECEPTION

Biography

- ◆ Eugenio Valentino Gaddini was born March 24th, 1935 in Lucca, Italy, near Pisa. Lucca is the birthplace of Puccini.
- ◆ As a small child, he emigrated to Chicago, where he became a United States citizen. He grew up in the tenements of Chicago, where his parents owned a tavern.
- ◆ As a teenager, Gene developed a love of classical music, and a great desire to play clarinet. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Music at DePaul University in Chicago and his Master's degree from Illinois State University in Bloomington. He also undertook doctoral studies in conducting/composition at Northwestern University.
- ◆ Gaddini performed professionally with a number of distinguished orchestras in New York, Illinois, and Oregon.
- ◆ He also performed with popular bands (such as Vaughn Monroe and Les Elgard) and musical comedy ensembles, in casinos and on tour.
- ◆ As a young conductor, he was honored as a finalist at the National Conductor Symposium/Competition in LaCross, Wisconsin.
- ◆ He conducted throughout the Pacific Northwest, including the Rogue Valley Opera Association in Grants Pass, Oregon, and the Siskiyou Chamber Orchestra in Ashland, Oregon.
- ◆ Gene taught as Assistant Professor of Music at Old College in Reno, Nevada. During this time, he founded the Salon Orchestra of Reno.
- ◆ Gene came to Nevada County in 1990 to conduct the Sierra Community Symphony and the Nevada County Concert Band. Perhaps he is best remembered for his award-winning production of *Carmina Burana*, which featured 157 singers and a fifty-piece orchestra.
- ◆ Gene was an active music teacher, giving private music lessons in clarinet, saxophone and flute.
- ◆ Gene was also a talented composer and arranger, creating and publishing seven complex pieces for small ensembles.
- ◆ During this time, Gaddini performed with his ensembles, The Stellar Players Ensemble (woodwind quintet) and The Generations (jazz trio/quartet). Gene also gave private lessons to many students.
- ◆ Gene died on December 26th, 2000, from cancer of the pancreas.

Gene Gaddini, Conductor

Orchestral

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| 1989-1997 | Conductor/Director of the Sierra Community Symphony, Nevada County Concert Band, Foothill Community Symphony and Foothill Concert Choir, Grass Valley, CA. Directed and produced over 80 programs. |
| 1987-89 | St. Alberts the Great Catholic Church Choir, Reno, NV |
| 1984-90 | <i>Trial By Jury</i> , Old College, Salon Orchestra of Nevada, Reno, NV |
| 1982 | Rogue Valley Opera Association, Ashland and Grants Pass, OR |
| 1979-81 | Plumridge Symphony, Klamath Falls, OR |
| 1978-81 | Siskiyou Chamber Orchestra, Ashland, OR |
| 1975-79 | Southern Oregon Light Opera, Ashland, OR |
| 1969-71 | Northbrook YMCA Concert Band, Northbrook, IL |
| 1966-68 | Assistant Conductor/Director of Woodwinds
All City High School Youth Orchestra, Chicago, IL |

Choral and Orchestral

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| 1994 | <i>Gypsy</i> , Community Players, Grass Valley, CA |
| 1986 | <i>Trial by Jury</i> , Old College, Reno, NV |
| 1982 | <i>The Mikado</i> , Rogue Valley Opera Association, Ashland and Grants Pass, OR |
| 1976-77 | <i>Hair</i> , <i>Man of La Mancha</i> , <i>Fiddler on the Roof</i>
Southern Oregon Light Opera, Ashland, OR |
| 1973 | <i>Amahl and the Night Visitors</i> , Southern Oregon College, Ashland, OR |

Gene Gaddini, Performer

Alto & Tenor Sax, Clarinet, Flute

Symphony Orchestras and Chamber Groups

Chicago Civic Orchestra

Chicago Lyric Opera

Springfield Symphony

Britt Festival Orchestra

De Paul Symphony

Lake Erie Music Festival Orchestra

Popular Music

Hilton Orchestra	The Hilton	Reno, NV
Teddy Philips Orchestra	The Ramada	Reno, NV
Joe Rossi Orchestra	Bally's	Reno, NV
The Four Lads Show	Substitute	Chicago, Il
Les Elgart	Midwest tour	Chicago, Il
Vaughn Monroe	Midwest tour	Chicago, Il
Wayne King	Midwest tour	Chicago, Il
Aspen Jazz-Rock Ensemble	Aspen Music Festival	Aspen, CO
Ruth Page Ballet	Midwest tour	Chicago, Il
<i>Funny Girl</i>	East coast tour	New York, NY
Saugatuck Jazz Band	Saugatuck Music Festival	Saugatuck, MI

Geme Gaddini, Composer

Un Capriccio Moderno (Composer's Forum, 1989)

He Taught Us Peaceful Ways (Composer's Forum, 1989)

Danse for Woodwind Quintet (Di Lucca/Byron Hoyt, 1997)
for woodwind quintet

Abstract in Blues (Di Lucca/Byron Hoyt, 1997)
for woodwind quintet

Rondolic Potpourri (Di Lucca/Byron Hoyt, 1998)
for woodwind quartet

Conflict and Reflections (Di Lucca/Byron Hoyt, 1998)
for string quartet
for woodwind quartet

Ahh!! Another Christmas Sweet! (Di Lucca/Willow Valley Press, 1999)
for string quartet
for woodwind quartet

Gene Gaddini, Teacher

1967-2000 **Private Teacher**, woodwinds and piano.

1989-1997 **Director/Conductor of Orchestra, Band and Choir**
Sierra College, Grass Valley, CA

1986-87 **Adjunct Professor**, *Sierra Nevada College, Incline Village, NV*

1983-87 **Assistant Professor of Music**, *Old College, Reno, NV*

1966-68 **Assistant Conductor/Director of Woodwinds**
All City High School Youth Orchestra, Chicago, IL

Director

South Shore High School Band and Orchestra, Chicago, IL
Achieved honors in 1968 competitions

1965-66 **Conductor**, *Schurz High School Symphonic Band, Chicago, IL*
Achieved best honors in 1966 competitions

1964-65 **Music Program Director/Conductor**
Washington High School, Chicago, IL