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 babbino (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**
  - 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. Albert's the Great Catholic Church Choir, Reno, NV
  - 1984-90 *Trial By Jury*, 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**
  - 1994 *Gypsy*, Community Players, Grass Valley, CA
  - 1986 *Trial by Jury*, Old College, Reno, NV
  - 1982 *The Mikado*, Rogue Valley Opera Association, Ashland and Grants Pass, OR
  - 1976-77 *Hair, Man of La Mancha, Fiddler on the Roof* Southern Oregon Light Opera, Ashland, OR
  - 1973 *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, 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
Teddy Philips Orchestra
Joe Rossi Orchestra
The Four Lads Show
Les Elgart
Vaughn Monroe
Wayne King
Aspen Jazz-Rock Ensemble
Ruth Page Ballet
Funny Girl
Saugatuck Jazz Band

The Hilton
The Ramada
Bally’s
Substitute
Midwest tour
Midwest tour
Midwest tour
Aspen Music Festival
Midwest tour
East coast tour
Saugatuck Music Festival

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Chicago, IL
Chicago, IL
Chicago, IL
Chicago, IL
Aspen, CO
Chicago, IL
New York, NY
Saugatuck, MI

Gene 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

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