



## William James Gibson Sr.

March 31, 1919 - June 10, 2014

William James Gibson, Sr. 95, of Airport Drive, Danville, VA entered Heaven on June 10, 2014 at Danville Regional Medical Center, surrounded by his family. He had been hospitalized for the last six days.

Mr. Gibson was a loving husband, father and grandfather to his family and was loved and respected by all who knew him. He was a true role model of what a Christian man should be.

Mr. Gibson was born in Pittsylvania County on March 31, 1919 a son of the late Coley Green Gibson and Lena McDowell Gibson. He served his country in the United States Navy from 1940 to 1945 during WWII. Mr. Gibson had lived most of his life in Danville, where he was employed by the former Virginia Tobacco Company/Southern Processors as a supervisor from 1939 to 1981. After his retirement he assisted his sons at Gibson Heating Air Conditioning, Inc. He was a member of Williamson Memorial Presbyterian Church for years serving as an Elder. Mr. Gibson was a lifelong fan of the Washington Red Skins along with watching the Atlanta Braves and NASCAR.

Mr. Gibson is survived by wife of 76 years Dorothy Prather Gibson, his children Gloria Faye Wigglesworth (Durwood) of Spotsylvania County, VA, Marilyn Gunnell (Bill), William James Gibson, Jr. (Patricia), Rhonda Wyatt (Wallace), Timothy Gibson (Lisa) and 11 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren

and one great-great grandchild. He was the last surviving member of his family.

Mr. Gibson was predeceased by four sisters, Nellie Farson, Helen Bass, Mamie Ray Gibson, and Margie Jones and five brothers Bernard, Thomas, Bobby, Edward and Otis Gibson along with one grandson James Brian Nance.

Funeral Services will be conducted on Friday, June 13, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. from the graveside in Schoolfield Cemetery by the Rev. Dr. Robert H. Ramey with presentation of the United States Flag by the U.S. Military.

The family will receive friends on Thursday night from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Central Blvd. Church of God, 235 Hairston Street, Danville, VA 2450 and at other times they will be at the residence, 418 Airport Drive, Danville, VA 24540.

The family request that memorial donations be made to the Williamson Memorial Presbyterian Church Building Fund, 483 Mountain Hill Road, Ringgold, VA 24586.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is respectfully serving the Gibson family.

# Cemetery Details

## Schoolfield Cemtery

Schooldfield Drive  
Danville, VA

# Previous Events

## Graveside

JUN 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

Schoolfield Cemtery  
Schooldfield Drive  
Danville, VA

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ *Billy, Pat and Family,  
So sorry to read about the loss of your Dad. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. We didn't know Mr. Gibson personally, but Lilly often spoke fondly of him. Our hearts are heavy with this sad news. Thinking of you, Joyce and Bill Hamblen*

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**Joyce Hamblen** - June 13, 2014 at 05:16 PM

BM

“ *Beverly Matthews lit a candle in memory of  
William James Gibson Sr.*



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**Beverly Matthews** - June 13, 2014 at 03:42 PM

TG

“ *Terri And Neal Grubb sent a virtual gift in  
memory of William James Gibson Sr.*



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**Terri and Neal Grubb** - June 13, 2014 at 06:18 AM

MS

“ *Millie Sowers sent a virtual gift in memory of  
William James Gibson Sr.*



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**millie sowers** - June 12, 2014 at 07:34 PM

MS

“ Granddaddy, we will always love you and miss you. All of the family is in our thoughts and prayers during this time. Kevin and Millie



millie sowers - June 12, 2014 at 07:33 PM

EP

“ I am sorry about the loss of William. My condolences go out to the family. Ernest Payne

Ernest Payne - June 12, 2014 at 01:07 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William James Gibson Sr..



June 12, 2014 at 11:03 AM



“ Our prayers and condolences go out to the entire Gibson family. William was a warm and gentle man, quick with a smile, and a true example of a Christian. Mr. Gibson, you will be dearly missed.

Sincerely,

Billy, Holly, Skylar and Krissy Powell



Holly Powell - June 12, 2014 at 09:46 AM

LH

“ I am so sorry to hear about William.I will always remember my mama saying , "Dorothy has a really good husband that takes good care of her and those children"..I am praying for all of you and know God will give the peace and comfort that only he can give..Love and Prayers.Linda Gilbert Hill

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**Linda Hill** - June 12, 2014 at 08:47 AM

GG

“ To the Entire Family:

*I wish to convey my sincere sympathy in the loss of your Dear Family member. Mr. Gibson was a strong & dedicated family man who contributed greatly to their care, as well as to his community & country.*

*My thoughts & prayers shall be with all of you during this difficult time.*



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**Gerald Gibson** - June 12, 2014 at 08:35 AM

JH

“ I'm sorry to hear this, he was a great man, good to talk to. He will be missed by many. I will pray for the family in their time of loss.

*Sincerely,*

*Jason Hazelwood*

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**Jason Hazelwood** - June 12, 2014 at 08:31 AM

LR

“ *Billy, Pat & Family:  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. So  
sorry you too have lost a loved one. Thanks  
for all of your support recently.  
Love, Greg, Lisa & Eric Roberts*



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**Lisa Roberts** - June 11, 2014 at 08:03 PM

LB

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.Keep all of your  
wonderful memories close to your hearts.  
Lucy Ellen and Bo Barringer*

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**Lucy Ellen Barringer** - June 11, 2014 at 07:59 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for  
the family of William James Gibson Sr..*



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June 11, 2014 at 07:24 PM

JS

“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers!*

*Jackie and Dale Smith*



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**Jackie Smith** - June 11, 2014 at 06:34 PM

BM

*Marilyn & Family*

*Our Thoughts and prayers are with you. I know he will be missed.  
Beverly and Donald Matthews*

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**Beverly Matthews** - June 13, 2014 at 03:38 PM