



Jere A Gibson

July 9, 1938 - January 1, 2020

Jere Ann Gibson, 81, of Fort Gibson, was born July 9, 1938 in Muskogee, OK to Harry and Ruby Eva (Wheeler) Juergens and peacefully passed away Wednesday, January 1, 2020 in Fort Gibson, with her loving family by her side.

Jere received her formal education in Muskogee where she graduated from Muskogee Central High School Class of 56.

On May 8, 1965 she married the love of her life Charles H. Gibson in Durant, OK.

She loved children and had watched over 100 children in her home through the years, many who were teachers' children. She taught many of them how to swim, along with many life lessons.

Jere was involved in many things, from the Cub Scouts to the Girl Scouts, participated in Red Cross Blood Drives, she was a speaker for the National Honor Society, and championed many worthwhile causes like Fort Gibson Coats For Kids, Special Olympics, and Meals on Wheels. Jere was a sponsor for Up with People, she was an avid participant at the Old Fort Days, Famous Readers Club, Founder of the FUMC Food Bank, Clothing Programs, and the Community Education for Fort Gibson Schools. Mrs. Gibson proudly served on the Fort Gibson School Board for 34 years, while serving on the Oklahoma State School Board Association, Region 8 Director, from 1987-2015. She was a mentor and leader in the First United Methodist Church women's group in Fort Gibson and a Sunday school teacher. Jere always made time to help the

First United Methodist Church Greenleaf Lake Ministry.

She received many school board awards; she was a member of the All State Board in 1996 and was one of the top 5 honored that year. She also won the Tribute to Education in 1997, Buddy Spencer Leadership Award in 1998, and the Oklahoma State School Board Academy Level V in 2006.

Her more than three decades of public service and dedication to enriching the lives of children in Fort Gibson earned the respect of her colleagues. She saw many changes of public education, but always kept Fort Gibson on the cutting edge.

Jere is lovingly survived by her sons; Michael Gibson and wife Donna of Fort Gibson and Matthew Gibson and wife Stephanie of Tuttle, OK; sister, Janie Human; grandchildren, Kristin, Josh, Michaela, Ashley and husband Ross Barnes, Blair, Kaylee and Cole; great grandchildren, Nathan and Colton Dixon, Maddox and Lukan Gibson; extended family and many friends, including a very special daughter Nicole Points Frazier.

She was preceded in death by her husband; Charles H. Gibson Jr.; mom and dad, son, Lewis (Lanny) Gibson; and granddaughter, Kallie Gibson.

A visitation will be held Friday, January 3, 2020 at Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home with family receiving friends from 5PM-7PM.

A Celebration of Jere's life will be held at noon, Saturday, January 4, 2020 at the First United Methodist Church in Fort Gibson with Reverend Dawn Richards officiating.

Committal prayers and inurnment will be at a later date at Fort Gibson National Cemetery.

Serving as casket bearers will be Greg Moydell, Seth Tree, Jeff Delmedico, Billy Ray White, Larry Moore and Ross Barnes. Derald Glover, John Moffitt, Chester Hendrix, Robert Kelly, Larry Sands and Larry Dale Cooper will serve as honorary casket bearers.

The family of Jere Ann Gibson has entrusted her care, services, and cremation to Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home, Fort Gibson, OK. 918-478-2555.

Online condolences may be left at clifforddgarrettfamilyfh.com

Cemetery Details

Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 Cemetery Road
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Previous Events

Family Visitation

JAN 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home (Fort Gibson)
1224 E Poplar St
Fort Gibson, OK 74434
(918) 478-2555

Celebration of Life

JAN 4. 12:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church Fort Gibson
302 Beauregard St
Fort Gibson, OK 74434

Tribute Wall



“ *Jere A Gibson*

January 29, 2023 at 12:59 PM



“ *Jere and Bennie were part of the vast village that raised so many of us in Fort Gibson. We were fortunate to have had their love, guidance and patience in those years with an abundance of fun times shared at their huge home on Garrison Hill, along with many fond memories of youth activities at the Methodist church. It is difficult to imagine how many parents throughout the years felt relieved and reassured that Jere was watching over and teaching their children. So many remembrances of long ago days will include the love and support given generously and lovingly by such an incredible woman. Our heartfelt and deepest condolences shared with all who knew and loved Jere. The Belle Cahoon family*

Carolyn Watts - January 04, 2020 at 06:51 AM



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Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home - January 03, 2020 at 06:27 PM



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Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home - January 03, 2020 at 12:58 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jere A Gibson.



January 03, 2020 at 12:55 PM



“ I am so sad to read this news. Jere's passing is such a loss to her family, public ed, public service, and the entire Fort Gibson community. Jere was such a sweet person, a loyal friend & a champion of children her entire life. She leaves a void that cannot be easily filled. My thoughts are with her family & I'm hoping they can take comfort from her many good deeds & acts of kindness. Prayers for family & community during this time of deep sadness. The world is not as bright without her beautiful, constant smile & laughter.

Annette Wallace - January 03, 2020 at 11:37 AM



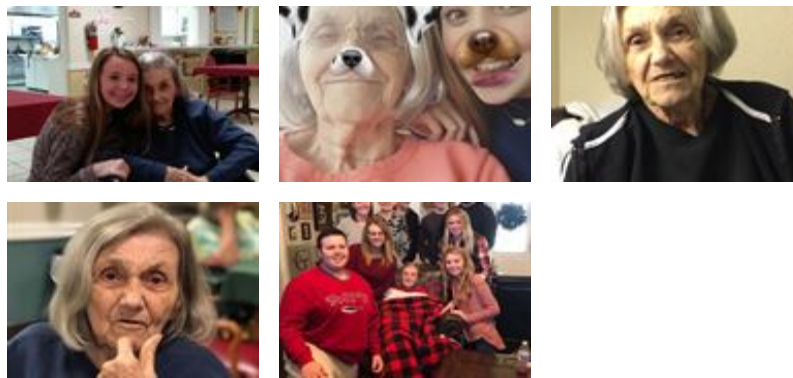
“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jere A Gibson.*



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Clifford D Garrett Family Funeral Home - January 03, 2020 at 10:31 AM



“ *Jere was a force of nature when our family first met the Gibsons at the Methodist Church about 47 years ago. We were new to Fort Gibson and she just welcomed us with open arms, and got me involved with vacation bible school. Her door was always open, and she was all about our kids getting the most out of life. I remember cookies and cooking and lots of laughter. My condolences to the family and to the community of friends for their loss. Ann (Huddleston) Baker. Mother of Mark and Clay Shear, and David and Amy Huddleston*

Ann Baker - January 02, 2020 at 11:44 PM

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“ *Jeri Gibson was a beautiful lady and I feel so blessed to have known and worked with her for several years. What an honor! I know she will be missed every day by her family and friends.*

Velma Andregg - January 02, 2020 at 01:11 PM