



Roger William Gribble

January 3, 1948 - August 26, 2017

On the 26th day of August, Roger Gribble breathed his last breath on earth and his first breath in Heaven. He looks forward to seeing you there.

He was born in Newport, TN January 3, 1948 and was born again in Atlanta, GA December 7, 1977.

He graduated from Cocke County High School in 1966. He received his Bachelor of Science from TN Tech University (TTU) where he was elected to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. At TTU he was treasurer of the student body, a founding member of Sigma Chi Fraternity in which he held numerous positions. He was chairman of Freshman Week for two years at TTU and he was a co-op education student. Roger did post graduate work at John Marshall Law School and received a Doctorate of Humanities from Emmanuel Baptist University.

Roger was a financial consultant serving as a Loan Broker for the last 30 years of his life.

He was honored to serve in four presidential administrations with Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford Ronald Regan and George H. W. Bush. He was appointed Deputy Regional Administrator of the US Small Business Administration by Patricia Saiki and later Regional Administrator of the eight South Eastern states by George H.W. Bush. While serving in SBA he was awarded the

Administrator's Award for Service to Small Businesses. He spent many months overseeing the construction of the current Small Business Administration's current headquarters building in Washington D.C. From 1980 until 1988 Roger owned and operated Traditional Jewelers in Jefferson City.

He served his lord and Savior Jesus Christ at several churches including Rehoboth Baptist Church (Atlanta), First Baptist (Jefferson City), Manley Baptist Church (Morristown) Walnut St. Baptist Church (Louisville, KY), First Baptist Church (Atlanta), Lincoln Avenue Baptist Church (Newport), Chilhowee Hill Baptist Church (Knoxville), and was a current member of First Baptist Church Newport.

Roger served on various committees in local organizations. He was a founding member of Jefferson County Gideon Camp where he served as Bible Secretary and spoke at churches throughout Jefferson County, Cocke County, and Grainger County. He was a founding member and President of the Rotary Club, President of the Jefferson City Chamber of Commerce, co-founder and first President of the consolidated (Jefferson City and Dandridge) Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce. He was President of the Carson Newman Eagle Club for two years. Roger served as Deacon and Chairman of the Deacons at two churches. He was CFO of Chilhowee Hills Baptist Church for four years. After his father's (S.A. Gribble) death, he and his mother (Helen Gribble) founded the Newport Alzheimer's Support Group. Following that he became active in Alzheimer's Tennessee where he served six years as treasurer and served eight years on the Board of Directors. He was currently an alderman for the City of Newport.

Roger married his high school sweetheart, Charlene Holt Gribble, whom he loved on earth and will love throughout all eternity. He has one child, Dr. Angie Gribble Hedlund and a great son-in-law, Dr. Richard Hedlund of Roswell, GA. He was blessed with two wonderful granddaughters, Victoria (Tori) Charlotte

Hedlund and Alexandria (Lexi) Ellen Hedlund.

He was the youngest child of the late Sidney Allen and Helen P. Gribble of Newport. He had two siblings, Curtis Gribble and Brenda Sluder, a great-sister-in-law, Ronda S. Gribble and a wonderful brother-in-law Ted Sluder. He has one nephew, Tracey Gribble, and one great-nephew, Dawson Gribble.

He loved Israel and traveled there on four special occasions. He often was heard to say, "We should love the things God loved" and he loved the Israelites and the land he called Holy Israel.

The family will receive friends from 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm with the Celebration of Life service following at 5:30 pm Monday, August 28, 2017 at First Baptist Church, Newport. Dr. David Green, First Baptist Church, Greeneville, Dr. Tony Crisp, Eastanallee Baptist, Riceville, and Dr. Rich Lloyd, First Baptist Church, Newport officiating.

In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to Alzheimer's Tennessee, 5801 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN 37919-6340 or First Baptist Church of Newport, 261 East Broadway, Newport, TN 37821.

Family and friends may sign the guest register on line at: www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Roger William Gribble*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Charlene, Angie, Curtis, & Brenda, Just wanted to let you know you're in our thoughts and prayers with the sudden loss of Roger. It's so difficult to lose a husband, father. Grandfather, & brother. We pray each day will become a little easier to b*

Connie & Marsha Ball - September 07, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Charlene and your family. Roger was a blessing to us, and it was a privilege to know him.*

Earl & Mari Fuhrman - September 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am sorry about your loss. Please find comfort in the scriptures that God has provided to give us comfort through circumstances like this. At Revelation 21:3,4 we see that God will get rid of sickness, pain and death. Through Jesus, God promised that the*

R Davis - September 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *I am so very sorry to learn of this loss. You are in my prayers.*

Penny Ervin - September 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM

NB

“ *Charlene, Angie and family, I was saddened and shocked when I read Roger's obituary. My Heart Felt Sympathy to all of you.*

Nancy Bissell - September 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ *Charlene, I just discovered on this Thursday evening of Roger's passing. Please accept my belated condolences. I regret missing His celebration of life. I look forward to seeing him in Heaven and seeing you soon. GOD's Blessings and Peace to you and your*

Bill Denton - August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *Roger William Gribble*

Janice Seay - August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ *Roger William Gribble*

Bill Hicks & Diana Steinfeld Hicks - August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Our Deepest Sympathy Doug and Joyce Shoemaker*

Doug and Joyce Shoemaker - August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *Sorry for your loss.*

Peggy W. Lane - August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

IH

“ *Charlene, Sending our deepest sympathy to you, Angie and Family. Lamentations 3:22-23 Whitey & Irene Hance*

Irene Hance - August 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ *Roger William Gribble*

G D Williams - August 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GR

“ *Roger William Gribble*

George Joe Ramsey - August 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *Dear Charlene and Angie, We are so sorry to hear of Roger's passing. We didn't have the pleasure of knowing him for very long, but he left a long lasting wonderful impression on us. Definitely a person to look up too for guidance. Our deepest sympathy*

Christel & Micah Westmorland, DDS - August 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *So sorry for your loss. You will be in my prayers.*

Janie Holt - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GG

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. You are in my prayers.*

Gary and Angie Gentry - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AO

“ Prayers

audrey owenby - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Roger William Gribble

Betty Hux - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ I was so sorry to read of your family's loss. It is no doubt a very painful time for the family. In the days to come may you continue to find comfort in God and each other. 2 Corinthians 1:3,4; John 5:28,29

Lee - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Roger William Gribble

Dale, Nancy and Gerald Raines - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ Roger William Gribble

Bill Justus - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ Roger William Gribble

Don and Ella Mae Large - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ Sincerely sorry for your loss. He is well spoken of by many and although I did not know him personally I am sure this side of Heaven is worse for losing him and the other side of Heaven is blessed for receiving him. Prayers.

Casaundra Dalton - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ I was so sorry to hear about Mr Gribble. I got acquainted with him at the friends of the animal shelter meeting. He cared for people and the animals in our community. What a great loss for the city of Newport and all of Cocke County. Thank God for Mr Grib

Deidra Stuart - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

VA

“ My thoughts and prayers goes out to the family. I wish comfort and peace to Mr. Gribble's family. He was a wonderful person. The short time I knew him I found him to be a warm and caring person.

Virginia Arington - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ May the Lord bless and keep you. I will keep you in my prayers. He will be greatly missed.

Libby Strange - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ Many prayers for comfort and understanding during this time and for the months and years to come. Sorry for your great loss. Many thoughts and prayers. Abby Provencal

Abby Provencal - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family. We have such fond memories of our time at Traditional Jewelers .. Roger will be so missed but we will see him again one day.

Dennis and Joy Y. Watson - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ I am Praying for you all for peace and comfort. gailm

GAIL metcalf - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ Charlene and family, Roger was a great man and will be greatly missed.

Larry and Cindy Pace - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ Roger William Gribble

GAIL metcalf - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GA

“ Thank you for all you have done, especially for standing up for the people of cocke county. Prayer for the family. You will be missed!

Gail Ailey - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ Oh, Charlene, how my heart aches for you. You will be in our prayers for God to be so close. We love you.

vaughn and susan burgin - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ Roger William Gribble

G D Williams - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Charlene, Sending my sincere condolences to you and your family. My thoughts and prayers remain with each of you at this sad time.

Linda Sprouse Britton - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ Charlene and family we heard about Roger and wanted to let you know he meant so much to us. One thing we know we will see Roger again.

Dennis and Darlene Gregg - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ You all are in my thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time. Roger will be missed by this community.

Roger Greene - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ To Curt Gribble and family, Please accept my sympathy in the loss of your brother, Roger. I know he will be missed by all and may God grant the family comfort and peace at this time. Sincerely in Christ, Joan

Joan Kropff - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Roger William Gribble

Eddie Woods - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Roger will be missed. He was a good man and friend to all who had the honor to meet him. Praying for his family. Terry and Julie

Julie Cummings Terry Hux - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ Such a nice person and will miss seeing him at the bank. You are in our thoughts and prayers

Phyllis Walker Combs - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Deepest sympathy and prayers to all family members.

Marie Wood - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

WW

“ Charlene and family , we are so sorry to hear about Roger. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Woody and Tura Lawson and Eloise Wiley - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Prayers

Don Stewart - August 28, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ What a fine,upstanding man. Not only a loss to his family but a great loss to the community.

Amy Huff - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ Love an Sincere Sympathy to Charlene & family for their heartbreaking loss of Roger. Prayers for God's comfort and peace.

Linda & Bud Dawson - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ We are so sorry. Charlene, Angie and family you will be in our thoughts and prayers now and in the days ahead.

Parker, Nanette Wilds, & Jeanette Lankford - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Roger William Gribble

Louise and Jimmy Hux - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

IT

“ Charlene I am so sorry to hear about Roger we loved him very much our prayers are with you Imogene and Ailor Turner

Imogene Turner - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ We send our condolences to all the family.

Randy and Libby (Clark) Clevenger - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ May God Bless the family and all who loved Roger so much at this difficult time.

Don & Barbara Welch - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ We are very sorry for your loss. Our prayers and thoughts for the families.

Jay & Mary Ann Chrisman - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BM

“ Praying for all of you Sincerely Betty McMillan

Betty McMillan - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Our thoughts and prayers are for all of the family.

David and Sue Killion - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ I am so sorry for your loss may God bless all of the family

Randall Holt - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Thank you for your services that you have done for our city. Not going to be the same without. May God bless each of you!

Lynn and Becky Lane - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ Charlene, Brenda, Curt and Ronda: Our hearts are breaking for all of you for the sadness and pain you all must be suffering right now. Roger was a good man and will be missed by all who knew him. We love you all, Mary Jo Huff Taylor Susan Taylor & Keith

Susan Taylor - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Prayers for Charlene and Family. So grateful to have spent a little time with Roger and Charlene in their home. Roger will be greatly missed but we will see him again in our Father's home.

Linda and Larry White - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Roger William Gribble

mansfield mcmahan - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ Roger William Gribble

Betty Harrison - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Roger William Gribble

Jack and Wilma Bible - August 27, 2017 at 12:00 AM