



Wilbur H. Gilliland

October 14, 1957 - September 18, 2025

Wilbur H. Gilliland, age 67, of Newport, passed on Thursday, September 18, 2025, at his home.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lacy and Nancy Gilliland; and his sister, Betty Collins.

He is survived by his loving wife of 49 years, Rita Gilliland; daughters, Mandy Gilliland and Amber (Taylor) Manning; brother, Lacy Gilliland; sisters, Ann (Jimmy) Driskill and Frances (Eugene) Webb; grandchildren, Allie Ball, Mason Ball, and Sky Hance; also several other nieces, nephews, family and friends.

The family wishes to say a special "Thank You" to the staff at Smoky Mountain Home Health and Hospice.

The Graveside Service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, September 20, 2025 in Union Cemetery with Bro. John Bugg officiating.

Family and friends may sign the guest register online at www.manesfuneralhome.com

Arrangements with Manes Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Union Cemetery Inc

420 Mineral St
Newport, TN 37821-3900
(423) 623-6918

Previous Events

Graveside Funeral Service

SEP **20**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

FB

“ So sorry for your loss

faye brooks - September 22, 2025 at 12:16 PM

FL

“ Rita Kay I am so sorry for your loss, I pray God comforts you and your family. We love you.

Frances Ledford - September 22, 2025 at 06:35 AM

FF

“ May God comfort you all during this sad time. Prayers for all, and we love you Rita Kay and may God bless you all.

Frances Ledford family - September 22, 2025 at 05:24 AM

NH

“ So sorry to hear about Wilbur, may God comfort you all. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Norma and Teddy Hill - September 22, 2025 at 05:19 AM

DB

“ Good man and honest. Worked for us at Big Red game room in his teen years.

Dane Baxter - September 21, 2025 at 07:45 PM

RK

“ So sorry for your loss. Keeping your family in my prayers.

Ronda Kolar - September 20, 2025 at 12:33 PM

MD

“ Rita, I am so sorry, you and your family will be in prayers

Marlene Denton - September 20, 2025 at 09:35 AM

AO

“ Lacy & Family, I am so sorry for your loss.



Audrey Owenby - September 20, 2025 at 07:02 AM

ST

“ Amber, Mandy and family, we are so sorry for your loss and will keep you all in our prayers for peace and comfort during this sad time.
We love you all,
Susan and Keith
Mary Jo Taylor



Susan Taylor - September 19, 2025 at 10:55 PM

BM

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. If you need anything Sky please let me know. Brooke McClanahan



Brooke McClanahan - September 19, 2025 at 05:33 PM

SB

“ So sorry to hear of Wilbur's passing. I worked with him at the city, he will be missed.



Susan Ball - September 19, 2025 at 05:23 PM

SM

“ Rita so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family. God Bless you.

Love
Starr Mantooth

Starr Mantooth - September 19, 2025 at 04:55 PM

LL

“ So sorry to hear about Wilbur. He was a dear and close friend. He will be missed by all who knew and loved him. May God bless you and comfort you.

Love Lynn and Becky Lane.

Lynn Lane - September 19, 2025 at 04:48 PM

AH

“ Rita and family We will be praying for the Lord to comfort the hearts of your precious family.

Anna Hance - September 19, 2025 at 03:37 PM

JB

“ So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this difficult time.
Jimmy and Charlotte Blazer

Jimmy and Charlotte Blazer - September 19, 2025 at 01:10 PM

DW

“ *Derwin, Sheila Wilds purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Wilbur H. Gilliland.*



Derwin, Sheila Wilds - September 19, 2025 at 11:37 AM

MJ

“ *Marilyn Jones lit a candle in memory of Wilbur Gilliland*



Marilyn Jones - September 19, 2025 at 08:35 AM

JS

“ *Really sorry to hear about Wilbur worked with him at the city several years ago good friend...prayers for the family.....*

James smithpeters - September 19, 2025 at 08:26 AM

MG

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Wilbur. I love you Rita. I will be praying for you all.



Marcie Gunter - September 19, 2025 at 07:41 AM

LM

“ Rita, Jeff and I are so sorry to hear of Wilbur's passing. Love, hugs and prayers to you and the girls.
Lisa and Jeff Miller

Lisa Miller - September 18, 2025 at 08:16 PM

LO

“ I am so very sorry to hear this . I recently moved back to Newport and was planning on visiting him
Soon . We were next door neighbors for a long time and he was a precious person . He talked about The Lord alot when I did see him . Today he is healed . Prayers for Rita, Mandy and all
God comfort as only you can do . 🙏

Larry Overholt - September 18, 2025 at 06:07 PM

LL

“ Lynn Lane lit a candle in memory of Wilbur Gilliland



Lynn Lane - September 18, 2025 at 05:32 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Wilbur was a very dear friend. He will be greatly missed. May God bless you all. Love Lynn and Becky Lane

Lynn Lane - September 18, 2025 at 05:31 PM



“ Patricia Webb lit a candle in memory of Wilbur Gilliland



Patricia Webb - September 18, 2025 at 04:52 PM



“ So sorry for the families loss. You all will be in our prayers.

Lisa Strange and Willie Strange - September 18, 2025 at 03:07 PM



So sorry for your loss. I'll be praying for you all.

Faye Gann - September 19, 2025 at 07:07 PM



sorry for your loss . Wilbur was a good man "

Bobby Denttion - September 25, 2025 at 04:23 PM