



## Stanley Frederick Gibson Sr

May 6, 1939 - December 7, 2019

Stanley Fredrick Gibson, Sr., 80 of Beebe, Arkansas, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, December 7, 2019. He was born on May 6, 1939 in Skene, Mississippi. "Freddie" loved his family, friends, and all his former students with all his heart. After three years in the Marines, he graduated from Delta State College in Cleveland, Mississippi. He was a coach and math teacher at Palestine High School. He went on to Bradford High School to coach and teach, then later became principal. He was also a teacher and principal at McRae High School. He then went to White County Central as a Superintendent. He ended his thirty years in education at the Arkansas State Department of Education.

Freddie was preceded in death by his parents, Charles Marion, Sr. and Mollie Short Gibson, brothers, Charles Gibson, Jr. and Walter Gibson, sisters Nell Benson and Janie Herrera.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Mary Louise, of Beebe, son, Stan Gibson, Jr. (Norie) of Irvine, CA, daughter, Torrey McNully, of Beebe, a sister, Mary Ann Davenport of Des Moines, IA, four grandchildren, Amanda (Husai) and Maika Gibson and Erin and Ethan McNully, as well as many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Visitation with the family will be at the Powell Funeral Home in Searcy, Arkansas from 6:00-8:00 P.M. Wednesday, December 11. Funeral service will be at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, December 12 at Powell Funeral Home Chapel in Searcy. Interment will follow at White County Memorial Gardens in Searcy.

Arrangements are entrusted to Powell Funeral Home Searcy. [www.powellfuneralhome.net](http://www.powellfuneralhome.net)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services (Searcy)  
2602 W. Beebe-Capps Expy  
Searcy, AR 72143  
(501) 268-7220  
searcy@powellfuneralhome.net  
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## Funeral Service

DEC 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

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## Interment

DEC 12 (CT)

White County Memorial Gardens  
Eastline Road  
Searcy, AR 72143

# Tribute Wall



“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Stanley Frederick Gibson Sr



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - December 10, 2019 at 02:15 PM

JK

*Mrs.G, Stan, Torrey & families, Mr. G was so very special to me & helped me out in so many ways in school & after I graduated also. I will always remember the talks he had with me & keeping me on the right path. I loved him for many reasons but mostly for being so tough on me & as I got older I knew he did these things to show me that there was only one way, the right way & the other way was to be a strong, kind, caring woman and he always told me NEVER GIVE UP!! So glad I listen to him throughout the years♥️ I'm praying for comfort & peace to all of you knowing Mr.G is a SPECIAL Angel now. Go rest high upon that mountain 🙏😊🙏*

Jinnie Helms Keneson - December 12, 2019 at 12:45 PM

DE

*Dear Gibson Family--I have been in education for 48 years. I began teaching and coaching at McRae in 1970. Stanley Gibson was my first Principal to work under. He got me off to a great start and helped me in so many ways. I will always remember and cherish his guidance and positiveness. He was a great mentor. Danny Ebbs, Athletic Director, PCSSD*

Danny J. Ebbs - January 09, 2020 at 02:41 PM

BC

“ Firm fair fun . Semper Fi 🇺🇸.Sgt Billy Calkin USMC

Billy Calkin - December 14, 2019 at 10:42 PM

AD

“ Our deepest sympathy to you all, we were very sorry to hear of Mr. Gibson's death, remembering a friend from WCC Schools. Thinking of you all. Gary and Anita Duncan

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**Anita Duncan** - December 12, 2019 at 10:35 PM

SK

“ Mrs. Gibson, Stan, and Torrey, I am so very sorry for your loss, and I wish I could have been there in person to tell y'all that. I always enjoyed all of my times around Mr. Gibson because even though he always tried to portray that "ruff & gruff" exterior, I knew he was really just a big ole teddy bear! I can still here him calling me "Little Lynn Roe" every time he saw me... Lol!!! I remember him grilling for us at a FBLA cookout we had at your house back in the day.

*I also remember him smiling & laughing at me thru the window during one of the "very few" times I ever got in trouble and got a paddling for it. According to Coach Stanley, I apparently rolled one of our newer basketballs under the bench too hard and so I got (2) licks for it. So, we went into Mr. Betts office and Mr. Gibson just happened to walk by outside as Coach Stanley "wound up" and let go of the first one. He just stood there pointing at me and laughing as I got both of them. Then when I walked out & all I heard was "Little Lynn Roe, what'd ya do?!?" So I told him and asked him if he enjoyed watching??? He said "you bet!" LOL!!!*

*He was a good man, and I thoroughly enjoyed all of my times w/ him. Please know that y'all are in my thoughts and prayers. Take care and God Bless You All!*

*Shawn King*

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**Shawn King** - December 12, 2019 at 09:51 AM

  
Wallace  
Whitlow

“ I knew Mr. Gibson for 50 years or more. I first remember him as a Coach at Bradford and later as the Superintendent at White Country Central. He had a gruff exterior, but those who really knew him, knew it was an act, and that he was a good, caring and very likable man. I will miss him.

Wallace Whitlow - December 11, 2019 at 07:50 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Stanley Frederick Gibson Sr.



December 11, 2019 at 10:28 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Stanley Frederick Gibson Sr.



December 10, 2019 at 08:31 PM



“ Was such a great teacher , mentor . The world needs more like him .



portia Strange Piercr - December 10, 2019 at 03:34 PM

CS

“ Condolences to his sweet wife and family.  
He was such a strong and caring man that tried his best to help all of us that he taught, coached, and mentored.  
I wasn't a great student or athlete, but yet he helped me through some very difficult times in my senior year. I think of him often and can still see him shaking his head at me and hear him saying... 'what were you thinking'?  
I know God has rewarded him for all of the love and support he gave to everyone he knew ❤️🙏 RIP Mr. Gibson

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**Connie Speth** - December 10, 2019 at 01:13 PM

LS

“ Mrs. Gibson, Torrey and Stan,  
  
I just learned of Mr. Gibson's passing. So many memories, so many things to say, I can't possibly put them here. He was a huge part of my childhood as he was for many others, but he was so very kind to me. He was always firm, but the biggest fan of us all. Such a larger than life character that you let us share! He always spoke with such love of you all, so much affection for 'Mary Louise'. He will be missed. I hope you find comfort in how many lives he touched.  
With deep regard,  
Laura Hodges Smith

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**Laura Hodges Smith** - December 10, 2019 at 08:16 AM

BL

“Helen and I shall always remember Stan as a deacon while I preached for the Cloverdale church. He and Mary brought a group to our house early in the morning, before we got out of bed, to cook our breakfast and welcome us soon after we moved to Searcy. Stan was a man with big heart that liked to share with others. Although sometimes the joke was on me, I enjoyed his fun-loving spirit. He was fun-loving, but he deeply cared for the welfare of others. We are thankful for his friendship and will always enjoy memories of our relationship. May God richly bless Mary and his family. - Bill & Helen Lambert

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**Bill & Helen Lambert** - December 10, 2019 at 01:28 AM

RO

“Mr. Gibson was a great person, gifted for working with his students, thank him for helping me in being a better person today. Prayers for the families. Roger Osborne

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**Roger Osborne** - December 09, 2019 at 11:07 PM

KS

“Mr. Gibson was a great teacher, leader, and mentor. He always had that tough exterior, but deep down he truly cared for the students. Mrs. Gibson and family we are sorry for your loss!

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**Ken Siler** - December 09, 2019 at 10:05 PM

IN

“Found memories of Coach & Mrs. Gibson! Praying for you all.

*Sincerely, Mike & Ina Clark*

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**Ina** - December 09, 2019 at 07:50 PM

CC

“ Our family mourns with you Mary Louise. Stanley was such a good friend to daddy and during his illness we will Never forget him. My first car the red 66 Mustang came from Stanley and I've wished a million times I still Had that car. Please know how much we all admired him and how sorry we are for your loss. Carla. Diane and Betty Mayfield

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**carla Coleman** - December 09, 2019 at 06:32 PM

RB

“ Sorry for your loss ..Coach Gipson coached me at Bradford High school in 1966 I was in The 9th grade..we had a great team won 30 games that year ..I believe we were the first team in Bradford to go to state.Without him that would have never happen...that being said I stayed friends with him ever since..RIP

*Ronnie Burress*

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**Ronnie Burress** - December 09, 2019 at 03:31 PM

SS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. We are so sorry. Bruce and Susan Smith

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**Susan Smith** - December 09, 2019 at 02:55 PM