



## Richard Gillham

January 22, 1954 - June 16, 2021

Richard McCaslin Gillham, 67, of Huntsville; peacefully passed away Wednesday, June 16, 2021, at Earlene Howard Hospice Home in Springdale. He was born Friday, January 22, 1954, at Russellville to Ralph G. and Martha Ramseur Gillham.

Richard married Mari Watson on Saturday, June 1, 1974 at Dardanelle; and together they were parents to one son, Matthew. Richard was a member of Huntsville United Methodist Church where he served as chairman of the Administrative Council for many years. He had been branch manager of Farm Credit Services in Russellville and retired as a loan officer of First National Bank of North Arkansas. He served as president of the local Kiwanis three times and was also a past president of the Huntsville Chamber of Commerce. He had served on the board of Ozark Guidance Center and the Office of Human Concern and had a temporary appointment to the Huntsville School Board. He was a member of the Madison County Cattlemen's Association, the Arkansas Cattlemen's Association, and the Yell County Wildlife Commission. Richard loved his church, his family and friends, his fellow employees, his farm and cattle, and his community.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents, and one grandson, Jack Ryan Gillham. He is survived by his wife, Mari, and his son and daughter-in-law, Matthew and Haley Gillham. He was "HeeHaw" to grandchildren Gabby and Cannon. He is also survived by his brother and sister-in-law, Lucien and Jan Gillham of Sherwood; mother-in-law, Gaye Watson of Fayetteville; sister-in-

law and brother-in-law, Jennifer and Brad Hanson of Pittsburg, Kansas; and was uncle to Luke, Claire, Adam, Abby and Ali.

The family will receive friends 5:00-7:00 PM, Monday, June 21, 2021, at Brashears Funeral Home, Huntsville. Services will be 10:00 AM, Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at Brashears Funeral Home with Brad Moore officiating. Pallbearers will be Tom Peebles, Phil Thompson, Garry Thompson, Jess George, J. T. Mashburn, and Doug Carr. Honorary pallbearers will be members of Huntsville Kiwanis.

In lieu of flowers, you may honor Richard with a memorial to the Huntsville United Methodist Church, PO Box 1257, Huntsville, AR 72740; or by donation to Arkansas Children's Hospital, 4093 W Sunset Ave, Suite 102, Springdale, AR 72762 in honor of his granddaughter, Gabby Gillham. Services are entrusted to Brashears Funeral Home and Crematory of Huntsville.

# Cemetery Details

## **Alabam Cemetery**

355 Highway 127  
Huntsville, AR

# Tribute Wall

JM

“ So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers for your family.

James and Deb McLoud - June 22, 2021 at 12:00 AM

PV

“ I wanted to be at the service today but have been battling a cold and didn't want to give it to anyone else. Richard was a good man and gave so much to this community. I enjoyed visiting with Richard at the courthouse or wherever we happened to meet. He will be missed by so many. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Phyllis Villines - June 22, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ Richard was a good friend and colleague. He leaves us with good memories. Blessings to Mari and the family.



Ken & Christi Knies - June 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ You all have been in our thoughts and prayers. We always enjoyed seeing Richard at the bank, ballgames and the golf course. We are so sorry for your loss.

Tom and Jo Ann Tice - June 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family.

Charlinda Reeves - June 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Charles and Betty Jo Gurley - June 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ Richard was such a genuine and wonderful friend and neighbor to our family when we moved into the Huntsville community. We had three children during our time there and we became close friends to Mari, Richard, and Matt. We are sending prayers to the whole family during this time. We look forward to hearing his voice and hugging his neck when we are reunited in our Heavenly home. Mari and Matt, we love you guys.



*The Pittman Posse  
Will, Melissa, Kyra, Parker, Palmer, & Liam*

Melissa Pittman - June 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ I worked with Richard for a short time. We also played some golf together. I always enjoyed being around Richard and will never forget that smile.

Barry Burns - June 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ Praying for the dear family and friends!  
Richard was a special person to so many,  
and all that knew him loved him!



Carol Johnson - June 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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**Carol Johnson** - June 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BA

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you.  
Barbara

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**Barbara** - June 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ You all are in my thoughts and prayers during this time of your loss.

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**Margaret (Mrs. Austin) Smith** - June 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

HA

“ Mari and family, Phil and I send our heartfelt condolences to you all. I know you are all suffering right now but I know The Holy Spirit is your fortitude and comforter and that the precious memories you have of Richard will bring you joy in the years ahead. Peace to you all. Phil and Helen Atkinson

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**Helen Atkinson** - June 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ So sorry for your loss. Just remember how much Richard loved the Lord and his family. He is with God and is well again. He will always be looking down on the family he loved so much.

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**Dorothy Dyer** - June 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ So terribly sorry for your loss. Richard was a friendly, kind and good man. May God bless and comfort you in this time of sorrow.

JO ELLEN MAC LEAN - June 19, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ Praying for your family.  
Melissa Basham Theodore

Melissa Theodore - June 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ So sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our prayers during this difficult time.

Tina

Tina (Krueger) LaFontaine - June 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ Richard was so good to me at work. The day I started he was the first person that made sure I knew where I was going. He cared about his customers and made the tough calls to do what was right for them. Sometimes, that was saying no. He always did the small things that mattered (even if he didn't want acknowledged for it) He taught me so much in my three years working with him. You all are in my prayers in the time ahead.



Katie Swofford - June 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ We are so very sorry for your loss. You are all in our prayers



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**Vail & Wynonia Burgess Boller** - June 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ So sorry for your loss. Richard was a wonderful person who will be missed by the entire community. Prayers for all of you.



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**Tammi Davis** - June 18, 2021 at 12:00 AM