



Leon H. Gibbs

January 2, 1947 - January 22, 2021

Leon H. Gibbs was born on January 2, 1947 to the late Leo Gibbs and Ruby Mae Fulcher Gibbs in Oriental, NC. He was the second of six children and was educated in the Pamlico County School System. After graduating high school, he joined the United States Navy and was stationed at the U.S. Naval Air Station in Norfolk, VA. After his honorable discharge, he relocated to New Haven, CT and continued his education at South Central Community College.

He reunited with cousins and made life-long friends. Leon was employed at Winchester Firearms and later Stop & Shop Companies where he retired after 30 years of service. He was a member of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Union for 50 years. Having a great work ethic, he would go on to work for the Ikea-New Haven where he traveled and trained employees in Orlando, FL. He worked at Yale New Haven Hospital's St. Raphael campus until his passing, where he made an impact on everyone he met with his infectious smile and personality.

Leon was very active and played softball on a local softball team and coached a local women's softball team. Leon, along with coworkers and friends founded the Ebony Bulls Social Club where he coordinated several events, planned trips to major sporting events, vacations, and gave back to the community by sponsoring little league sports teams. He was an avid sports fan of the LA Dodgers and the Washington (Redskins) Football Team. He was

the go-to person for all stats baseball, football, basketball, and golf related.

One of Leon's natural talents was singing. He sang in the key of high tenor with the Southern Wings, the New England Male Chorus, (also known as the Pitts Chapel Male Chorus), and the Pitts Chapel Choir #2. He would also sing at other churches and special events around New Haven and in the tri-state area. His favorite gospel group was the Canton Spirituals. He also loved music by Al Green, Luther Vandross, and Lionel Richie.

The one thing Leon did best was love his family. He was very active in his children's education, sporting events, and dance recitals/competitions. He truly enjoyed road trips up and down the east coast to visit his family and traveling on Caribbean cruises. He loved planting flowers, manicuring his lawn, and watching his favorite soap operas. Leon also loved making his famous barbeque sauce, his Friday night fish fries, or just sitting on his back deck enjoying the fruits of his labor.

Leon leaves to cherish his memories, loving wife of 34 years, Alberta Rose Gibbs, 4 children whom he adored; Vickie Sanders (Xavier) of Laurel, MD, William Gibbs (Stephanie) of Raleigh, NC, Krista Gibbs and Leon Gibbs Jr. of New Haven, CT; 5 grandchildren, Jeffrey Wilson and Marnae Green of Laurel, MD; Christian Gibbs, Michael Gibbs, and Justin Gibbs of Raleigh, NC., and 6 great grandchildren; 2 sisters, Carolyn Jarvis (Leon) of Boston, MA and Jacqueline Matthews (Ossie) of Raleigh, NC; 3 brothers, Venice Ray Gibbs of Raleigh, NC, Darrell Gibbs (Betty), and Randy Gibbs of Oriental, NC; 2 special sisters, Lillian Burley Guion and Marsha Fulcher of NC; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and coworkers. He was predeceased by his parents, Leo and Ruby Fulcher Gibbs, and his mother-in-law, Sarah B. Williams. Leon's love, infectious smile, and personality will be missed immensely, but never forgotten.

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

769 Ella T Grasso Blvd
New Haven, CT 06519
(203) 624-5505

Previous Events

Calling Hours

FEB 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

The New Trinity Temple Church of God in Christ
285 Dixwell Ave
New Haven, CT

Funeral Service

FEB 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Temple Church of God in Christ
285 Dixwell Ave
New Haven, CT 06511
(203) 776-8179

Tribute Wall



“ *Leon H. Gibbs*

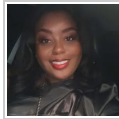
October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *To Mrs. Alberta, Krista, Buddy, and Family, I'm so very sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and the family during this very difficult time. Rest peacefully Mr. Leon!* 🙏🌸💖🙏🥰



Dominique Burroughs - February 09, 2021 at 03:33 PM



Thanks Dom!

Kris Gibbs - February 10, 2021 at 05:59 PM



“ *Claudia Smith-Barnes lit a candle in memory of Leon H. Gibbs*



Claudia Smith-Barnes - February 05, 2021 at 10:50 AM

CD

“ *You're in My Prayer*

*It's so hard to lose someone
You love, and though words
Can't take away the sadness you feel
I hope it helps to remember that
Leon is in God's care.*

*Please know that
you're in my thoughts
And prayers
And
If you need me
I am here*

Cleveland Dixon

Cleveland M DIXON - February 05, 2021 at 10:39 AM

PF

“ *Pam Fulcher & Mark DeGroate*
*The world has lost an incredible life. You have
our sincere condolences, our deepest
sympathies, and our unending love. Leon will
always be in our hearts.*



Pam Fulcher - February 05, 2021 at 07:32 AM

FG

“ *Faye Gibbs lit a candle in memory of Leon H.
Gibbs*



Faye Gibbs - February 03, 2021 at 06:00 PM

BS

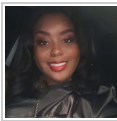
“ *My condolences to the Gibbs family your cousin Barbara spivey and boys.*

Barbara spivey - February 03, 2021 at 03:37 PM

TL

So sorry for your lost.. sending my deepest condolences to your family .. Mr Lee is a good friend of mine.. truly be missed..

Tyrone Little - February 05, 2021 at 06:43 AM



Thank you

Kris Gibbs - February 10, 2021 at 05:59 PM

JL

“ *My deepest and sincere heartfelt condolences to the entire Gibbs family. Leon was a very kind thoughtful caring and generous person who was great to be around. His nice smile and humbling spirit and calm demeanor instantly drew you to want to be his friend. Leon was greatly loved and admired and will truly be missed. My prayers and thoughts will continue to be with his family.*



Jill Little - February 03, 2021 at 01:07 PM

BH

“ Me Leon is who I know you as also my friend. someone who taught me not be afraid to live a little. My first cruse with my family. I was able to share that memory with you and be proud to have gone . Your words keep going because I am. I know I don't have to say Blessings to you all because I know You know what a very nice man and friend to me he was frim my family to yours The Harrell's



Beverly Harrell - February 03, 2021 at 11:44 AM

CD

Sending our condolences to our family from The Jones Family. Leon will truly be missed. We the Joneses enjoyed the times he stated with cousin Zellie house to work from Oriental. We will miss Leon Gibbs

Cousin Zella Jones (sister) Dunn - February 03, 2021 at 04:23 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Leon H. Gibbs.



February 02, 2021 at 06:32 PM

MC

“ From our heavy hearts we send Much Love To Rose & Vivian, Jackie & Wolf, Vikki & Billy, immediate & extended family members:

We feel sad because you've lost Leon; we want to express condolences for hubby brother dad friend etc whom we've known so many years as a beautiful dedicated remarkable soul!

We pray that you your friends your associates will draw strength from the Lord Thy God via his tremendous blessings while each of us grieve during this unfortunate global crisis.

*Be ye kind one to another!
Charles L Beasley Family &
Marilynn Shell-Beasley Family*

MShell-Beasley + CLBeasley - February 02, 2021 at 06:29 PM

MJ

“ We learned of our cousin Leon's passing today (2/2/21); we are so very sorry to hear this, he was a special person and will be missed. Our deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences to you all. We pray for God's strength and his peace for the Gibbs family. May his memories give you comfort at this time; and remember "in life and death we are the Lord's" (Rom. 14:8).

*From your cousins
Moses & Debra Jones
Kinston, NC*

Moses & Debra Jones - February 02, 2021 at 04:20 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leon H. Gibbs.*



February 02, 2021 at 01:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Leon H. Gibbs.*



February 02, 2021 at 11:35 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Leon H. Gibbs.*



February 02, 2021 at 08:22 AM



“ *All our love, Leon's Family in Boston, MA purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Leon H. Gibbs.*



All our love, Leon's Family in Boston, MA - February 01, 2021 at 08:40 PM

MW

“ Remembering Cousin Leon’s beautiful and gentle smile will forever remain in our hearts. May he rest in peace. Cousin Mary Watkins and Family



Mary Watkins - February 01, 2021 at 06:30 PM

TF

“ TO THE GIBBS FAMILY, YOU ARE IN OUR PRAYERS 🙏

THE GRAY FAMILY - February 01, 2021 at 05:51 PM

VG

“ There are so many good things we can say about our Cousin Leon, growing up with him in NC and our card games on Seldon Terr and West Haven.

Leon always had a big smile on his face, he really loved and cared for his Children as he was a great family man.

We love you Cousin Leon and we know that you loved us all.

Cousins Janice, Victor Gómez & Family

Victor Gomez - February 01, 2021 at 05:31 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Leon H. Gibbs.



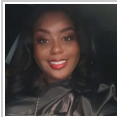
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HP

“ To Alberta & Kris, Buddy :sending condolences and prayers to Gibbs Family, words can't explain what nice family person. Love his wife & kids sharing their activities and giving his support to them Leon had 😊 on his face giving support to the various clubs & groups his co-worker's will miss him dearly May his soul RIP looking down with his :blush 😊 pray: 🕯️



Helen C Powell - February 01, 2021 at 03:28 PM



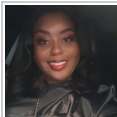
Thanks Ms. Helen

Kris Gibbs - February 10, 2021 at 06:01 PM

AN

“ Sending my love and condolences to The Gibbs Family. Love always Andrea, Kyrie & Logan

Andrea - February 01, 2021 at 01:58 PM



Thanks sis ❤️

Kris Gibbs - February 10, 2021 at 06:00 PM