

Acknowledgement

On behalf of the family, we would like to thank extended family, cousins, friends, the Youngblood MC along other brother and sister clubs for their support through this time. Special thank you to Larissa with Marlan Gary Funeral Home, Pastor Keith Goodman, and the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist Church family.

May God bless and keep every one of you. "To everything, there is a season and a time to every purpose under the heaven; a time to be born and a time to die."

Ecclesiastes 3:1-2

Honorary Pallbearers

*LUCIUS SULLIVAN, SR. ~ MELVIN BETHEA ~ ALVIN FOSTER
JAMES DOWELL ~ CHARLES GLENN ~ JEFF WERNER*

The Broken Chain

*We little knew that morning
That God would call your name
In life we loved you dearly
In death we do the same*

*It broke our hearts to lose you
You did not go alone
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home*

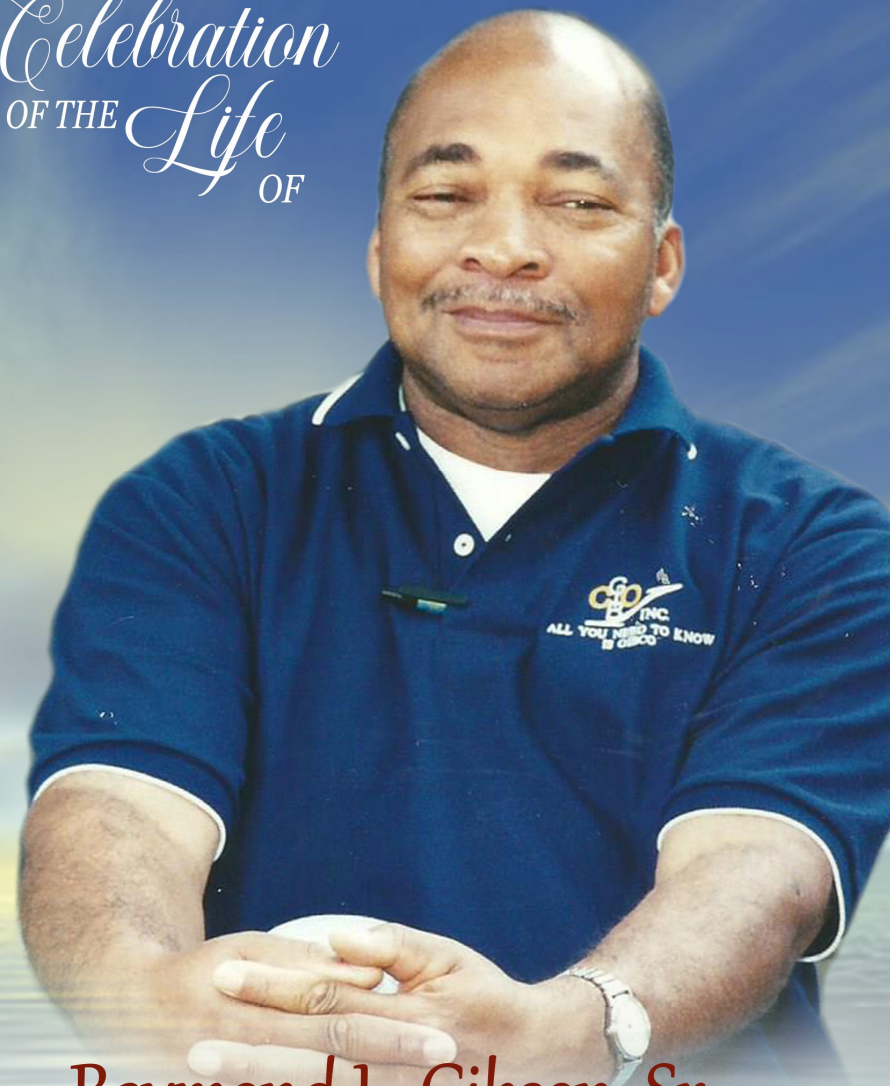
*You left us beautiful memories
Your love is still our guide
And although we cannot see you
You're always by our side*

*Our family chain is broken
And nothing seems the same
But as God calls us one by one
The chain will link again*

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Celebration OF THE Life OF



Raymond L. Gibson, Sr.

JUNE 20, 1942 ~ JUNE 5, 2021

~Service~

FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 2021 ~ 11:00 AM

Columbus Ephesus

7th Day Adventist Church

**2650 Sunbury Road
Columbus, Ohio**

The Obituary

Raymond L. Gibson, Sr. was born on June 20, 1942, in Columbus, Ohio to John and Wetona Gibson. He grew up on Miami Ave in Old Towne East.

Raymond graduated from East High School in Columbus, Ohio. He went into the U.S. Airforce where he served his country for 4 years as a teletype operator and was honorably discharged. After leaving the Airforce he began working at Western Union as a teletype operator. It was around this time that he met and married Eliner Joyce (Dudley) on May 10, 1968. During that time he worked at RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company. The Lord blessed them with 53 years of marriage and to their union, they have 3 children. He was extremely devoted to his family.

Ray was baptized into the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist church in 1973 where he began his walk with God. Because of his conviction, he was called to the colporteur ministry, selling Adventist books and spreading the word of God where he befriended Vernon Cartwright (Lil Joe). He was very dedicated to his church family as well. He served in various roles in the church such as Sabbath School Superintendent, Sabbath School teacher, and Usher Ministry Leader to name a few. There are too many church friends to name but some of them include brothers in ministry: Lucius Sullivan, Sr., Melvin Bethea, Alvin Foster, James Dowell, David Harmon, Frank Hale Jr. (deceased), Charles Glenn, Donnie Cantrell, Sr., and Joe Mitchell. He obtained many awards one of which was the Ephesus Adventist Man of the Year.

Ray worked for Pop Reeves in Janitorial and soon wanted his own business. He started a janitorial service that blossomed into a prosperous business. Through his business, he developed many associates and good friends. Some of the relationships built were with Miles & McClullan, Ruscilli, McDaniels, Gilbane, Duke, Turner, Smoot, and Reiner. As a result, his magnetic personality afforded him heaven-sent brothers in Dick Holstein, Dwayne Holstein, Roger Holstein, Donald Klopfenstein, Jeff Werner, Russ Drummond, Lonnie Miles, Dan Moncrief, John Kenny and Robert Henry Sr., their friendship spanning over 30 years.

Ray began his bout with Depressive Dementia in 2013. Even though he was a patient at the Alzheimer's center, he would go in other patients' rooms, get on his knees and pray for them. He loved the church so much during the early stages he was trying to complete the task of painting the church ultimately his son finished for him because he was adamant about finishing it in time for the Sabbath. He fought a long and tedious battle, but on June 5th, 2021 succumbed to this disease. Ray Gibson ended this life, he fought the good fight, finished his course and our Savior gave him rest.

He is preceded in death by his parents, John and Wetona Gibson, Edward Dawkins, stepfather, Hattie Cromwell, maternal grandmother, and sister, Carol Gibson. He leaves to cherish his memory his beloved wife, Joyce, children, Janet Gibson, Raymond L. Gibson Jr., and Cealana (Paul) Crockett. Grandchildren: Jillian Gibson, Sherman L. Moorner, Gabrielle Ross, Cealana-Jennifer Ross, Trevon Ceasar, Alana Crockett, Xavier Gibson, Laila Gibson, and great-grandson, Julian Nii Atiapah.

Order of Service

ORGAN PRELUDE	Music Ministry
PARTING VIEW	Immediate Family
SCRIPTURE READING	Clergy
Old Testament	Psalm 37:25
New Testament.....	Ephesians 6:12
PRAYER	Clergy
SELECTION.....	Chapel of Peace Music Ministry
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/CONDOLENCES.....	Clergy
REMARKS (2 minutes)	Family, Friends & Clergy
READING OF OBITUARY	Silently
SELECTION.....	Chapel of Peace Music Ministry

The Eulogy

CLERGY

BENEDICTION	Clergy
RECESSIONAL	Clergy, Family & Friends

Interment

DAYTON NATIONAL CEMETERY

4400 West Third

Dayton, Ohio 45428

(Monday, June 21, 2021)

*I am the resurrection and the life: He that believeth in me
though he were dead yet shall he live.*

And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die.

John 11:25-26