



## Mr. Basel Gibbs

June 13, 1935 - September 25, 2019

Funeral services for Mr. Basel Gibbs, 84, of Deadwood, Texas will be 2:00 p.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church of Carthage with Rev. Buddy Briggs, Rev. Jerry Anderson, and Rev. Mary Smith officiating. Burial will follow in the Deadwood Cemetery under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home.

Visitation will be 6-8:00 p.m. Saturday, at the funeral home.

Mr. Willie Basel Gibbs was born June 13, 1935 in DeBerry, Texas. He passed this life September 25, 2019 in Shreveport, Louisiana. Basel was one of four children born to the marriage of Pete and Maurine Wicker Gibbs. He was a graduate of Elysian Fields High School with the class of 1953 where he was active in football and FFA. It was Doris LaVerne Wilkerson who caught his eye, they married and went on to celebrate 58 years together.

Mr. Gibbs was a cattle farmer, and active community member, supporting agriculture in Panola County through the FFA, weighing cattle in sale barns across East Texas, and working in livestock shows in Panola and Harrison counties. He was elected Farmer of the Year and Citizen of the Year through the Chamber of Commerce where he served as a board member and ambassador. He served on the Farm Service Agency Board for 30 years, director on the Country Music Hall of Fame Board, Panola Harrison Co-op as Board President, East Texas Electric Co-op in Nacogdoches, North Texas Electric Co-op in Longview, and the Deadwood Cemetery Association. His mind and focus was always supporting young people and the agriculture community as a whole.

He was a loving family man preceded in death by his parents and in-laws he loved so much, and brothers, Jimmy Gibbs and Paul Arthur Gibbs, Sr. Mr. Gibbs is survived by his beloved wife, Doris LaVerne Gibbs; sister, Dorothy Gibbs Hardee of DeBerry; special like a sister, Sue Ann Ware of Elysian Fields, special friend, Kathy Wood of Marshall; numerous devoted nieces, nephews, and longtime community friends.

Serving as pallbearers will be: Troy Davis, Wade Allums, Harold Hawkins, Jimmy Gibbs, Jr., Paul Gibbs, Vince Ware, Seth Michel, Kevin Whitsett, Brad LaGrone, Erik Davis, Jack Dillard, Gene Stough, Jay Goswick, Albert Tiller, Paul Fortune, Jerry Holmes, Steve LeGrand, Winston Horton, Sam Strong, Cody Jones, Patrick Davis, Christopher Horton, Thomas Gibbs, James Peloquin, and Derek Peloquin.

An online guestbook may be signed at [www.hawthornfuneralhome.com](http://www.hawthornfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Deadwood Cemetery

Deadwood, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **28**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home  
307 West Wellington Street  
P.O. Box 188  
Carthage, TX 75633  
(903) 693-3816  
info@hawthornfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.hawthornfuneralhome.com>

## Service

SEP **29**. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Carthage  
256 S Market St.  
Carthage, TX

# Tribute Wall

LC

“ Doris, I am so sorry to just hear of this news. Larry, Alli, Les and I are all sending our love across the miles from Nashville. I am so happy that we knew Basal. Hew was a kind and gentle man and I know he is greatly missed. We loved him and we love you.

Libby Crew - October 17, 2019 at 12:01 PM

CG

“ Mrs. Doris , Charles and I were sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Basel, We enjoyed visiting when you and he came to Shreveport to eat; We are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers, Love You, Charles and Carol Gray

charles & Carol Gray - October 10, 2019 at 11:54 AM

KC

“ I only knew Basil for a few years, but the impression on me will last a lifetime. I am sorry for your loss.

Keith Coleman - September 30, 2019 at 10:11 AM

LF

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with Doris and the family. Love, the Lang family.



Lyndia Lang and family - September 29, 2019 at 09:27 PM

MC

“ Dearest Doris, words can not express my feelings at this time. You and Basel were such friendly and giving people you love us, we love you. I pray God will give you peace and comfort, and will wrap you up in His arms of love so you can feel His warmth and love. Basel was a jewel here on this earth and God has even bigger plans for him in Heaven.

*With love, J P & Marilyn Corder.*

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**Marilyn Dolores Corder** - September 29, 2019 at 04:36 PM

MT

“ Doris, I was so sorry to hear about Basel's passing. Such a sweet man! And he had such a sweet wife. Prayers for you. Love you.

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**Mona Tucker** - September 29, 2019 at 12:05 PM

BE

“ OH MY HOW MY HEART SANK WHEN I SAW THIS. SO MANY GOOD MEMORIES WITH THIS SWEET MAN AND HIS DORIS, MY PRAYERS ARE FOR THE LOVED ONES LEFT BEHIND BECAUSE MR. BASIL IS IN HIS HEAVENLY HOME NOW I DO BELIEVE, LOVE YOU MRS DORIS. YOU ARE IN MY PRAYERS.



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**BETTY** - September 29, 2019 at 11:24 AM

LA

“ Oh Doris I'm so sorry. We are on a cruise and will miss the funeral but will check on you soon. I'll miss Basil and his "Baby how you doing"! He was the sweetest man I've ever met and I just loved him so! Prayers for you Mrs Doris!

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**Iani Arnold** - September 29, 2019 at 11:21 AM

RS

“ *Doris, this is from all the Sutlives, specially Jerry. My,how he did love you and Basel!*  
*May God bless and keep you all, forever. Robbie Sutlive*

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**Robbie Sutlive** - September 29, 2019 at 10:49 AM

LS

“ *Laurie And David Stacy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Basel Gibbs*



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**Laurie and David Stacy** - September 29, 2019 at 10:37 AM

RO

“ *Mr. Basel has always been an inspiration to me he has been steadfast, a caring and community minded person we could all learn from him.*  
*My first memory of Mr. Basel was at Mr. Doris Wilkerson store grinding our corn in to corn mill he took time to show me a little boy all about how that stone mill would change that shelled corn to corn mill and we would have left over for the chickens. He will always be remembered.*  
*Our prayers are for Mrs Gibbs's and the family. May God continue to bless you and comfort you and give you peace.*

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**Robert Ortigo** - September 29, 2019 at 09:55 AM

KH

“ *Kim Henigan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Basel Gibbs*



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**Kim Henigan** - September 29, 2019 at 08:06 AM

JD

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I trust you can take some comfort in knowing that someone, so special to many, will never be forgotten.*

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**Joey Dumas** - September 28, 2019 at 09:55 PM

TE

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Terry and Lisa Evans*



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**Terry and Lisa Evans** - September 28, 2019 at 09:03 PM

KE

“ *We love you basil and will miss you ! You are a part of the Horseshore family forever*

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**kenneth** - September 28, 2019 at 08:07 PM

CS

“ *I always looked forward to his smiling face every time we came to Carthage. He will be missed dearly and I'm sure he'll be waiting in Heaven with that same smile. I will be in prayer for the family.*

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**Charlie Shearer** - September 28, 2019 at 07:52 PM

ED

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you Mrs. Doris....He was such a sweet man. He will be greatly missed by so many. Ellen Day*

Ellen Day - September 28, 2019 at 05:28 PM

AA

“ *We are sorry for your loss. Mr. Gibbs was a good man and will be greatly missed. Henry and Angela Alexander*

Angela Alexander - September 28, 2019 at 04:47 PM

BE

“ *Mrs. Doris, I have never met a man like your sweet husband, Basel, nor have I met a lady like you!! You both are so warm and loving. The first time we met I knew we would be friends for life, and we are. Basel Gibbs was a real man...honest, kind, loving, compassionate, carrying, funny, and best of all, a true man of God. Oh how we're going to miss him! We will continue sending our prayers up for you knowing that God will carry you through each and every day. I send our love. Becky and Clayton Eubank*



Becky Shoffner Eubank - September 28, 2019 at 04:34 PM

DR

“ *Dianne Martin Resta lit a candle in memory of Mr. Basel Gibbs*



Dianne Martin Resta - September 28, 2019 at 11:28 AM

DR

*Lots of love and prayers for Ms Doris. Love you, Dianne Martin Resta*

**Dianne Martin Resta** - September 28, 2019 at 11:29 AM

JW

*Knew mr Gibbs for a long time. Nothing but respect.  
Jesse W. Smith  
Frankston, texas*

**jwsmith** - September 28, 2019 at 05:28 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



September 28, 2019 at 11:18 AM

PS

“ *Doris, Basel was a special friend through ETEC for many years. He invited me and my wife many times to visit with you and him in Shreveport for a special meal at the Casino. He was a very special person, so busy and touched many lives. It was an honor to spend so much time with him on the Co op Boards. Our condolences Paul Simmons*

**Paul Simmons** - September 28, 2019 at 10:57 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



September 28, 2019 at 10:50 AM

JH

“ Jason Harrison and myself sends prayers of peace and comfort during this time. May you remember all the good times that you had and be surrounded by love ones that will lift you up. So sorry for your loss of Mr Basel, he will be missed by so many in this community of Deadwood.



Jason and Marilyn Harrison - September 28, 2019 at 08:56 AM

JG

“ Doris, your family heritage of courage, strength and faith in God will help you progress beyond these terrible times to a better day when your endless treasure of good times will be yet another source to sustain you. Basel and you have been living examples of the American Dream - a work ethic second to none, compassion and a sense of duty that has caused you to serve your neighbors, relatives and strangers. You have helped so many as Jesus taught us, "As you have done it for the least of them, you've done it for me." The self reliance that guided you and Basel is a tribute to your character and upbringing. From the first grade at Deadwood and beyond the endless horizons of life, you will remain among the dearest and most loved of those whom I hold dear. My enduring to you.  
Joe Ben

Joe Ben La Grone - September 28, 2019 at 08:38 AM

MD

“ Doris , Max and I are so very sorry for your loss . If We can help in any way please let us know . You are in Our prayers for healing peace and strength . Love you Much . Max and Dixie Dawson .



Max and Dixie Dawson - September 28, 2019 at 12:18 AM

JG

“ Mrs. Doris I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Basel. I have been a resident of the community for only a short while but he would always greet me with a smile and hearty handshake which made me feel like I belonged. For that I am forever grateful.

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**Joel Gillis** - September 28, 2019 at 12:12 AM

ED

“ Doris, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. He was such a special man and always involved in so many things in the community. Praying for you and his family. Love you, Esther Nichols Davis

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**Esther Davis** - September 27, 2019 at 10:06 PM

RM

“ My dad R C Mitchell and myself Randy Mitchell knew Gibbs when he weighed at Carthage salebarn,good memories of a good friend may he Rest In Peace.Prayers from Winnsboro.

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**Randy Mitchell** - September 27, 2019 at 10:01 PM

MY

“ My deepest condolences Mrs. Gibbs. Mr. Basel was truly one of a kind. Praying for you. Mary Yarborough-Armstrong

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**Mary Yarborough** - September 27, 2019 at 08:48 PM

DL

“ Mrs. Doris we are so very sorry for you loss. Mr. Basel was a wonderful man, such a kind and loving man. We are praying for you and your family. We Love You.  
Denise Langford and family.

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**Denise Langford** - September 27, 2019 at 07:53 PM



“ *Ms Doris I am so sorry for your loss. He was always nice to me. I never saw him without a smile. You are in our prayers. Love you.*  
*Trish Holman*

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**Patricia Walker-Holman** - September 27, 2019 at 07:12 PM

HE

“ *I knew Basel since the early 1980s. Kent Holman sent me to Carthage Sale Barn, for my first sale. Basel figured out real quick that I could not guess the weight. When I bought one too heavy he would look at me and charge it to the order that the weight fit. RIP Basel. You were a good friend to me.*  
*Hardy Evans*  
*Shreveport Louisiana*

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**Hardy Evans** - September 27, 2019 at 05:59 PM

RG

“ *Doris, I was so sorry to hear this. He will be very much missed. We always looked for you and him at the meetings. He was so friendly and always ready to talk. We love you and are praying for you at this time. Ronnie Greer Deep East Texas Co-op*

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**Ronnie Greer** - September 27, 2019 at 05:30 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



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September 27, 2019 at 01:45 PM

HR

“ *Horizon Land Services & Teresa Rodriguez-Smith purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



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**Horizon Land Services & Teresa Rodriguez-Smith** -  
September 27, 2019 at 01:33 PM

FC

“ *Fish & Still Equipment Co purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



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**Fish & Still Equipment Co** - September 27, 2019 at 01:27 PM

MC

“ *Momentum Midstream Pipeline Company purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



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**Momentum Midstream Pipeline Company** - September 27,  
2019 at 01:17 PM

PM

“ *It's difficult to find the words to express my sorrow over losing Basel. He was a kind, caring man and a wonderful friend. He touched so many lives with a warmth and generosity that will linger with us. Doris, my thoughts and prayers are with you always.*

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**Patsy Meck** - September 27, 2019 at 12:56 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



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September 27, 2019 at 12:39 PM



“ *Northeast Texas Electric Cooperative purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



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**Northeast Texas Electric Cooperative** - September 27, 2019 at 12:06 PM



“ *My Thoughts and Prayers are with the Doris and Family!!! Darla Lake Watkins*



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**Darla Lake Watkins** - September 27, 2019 at 11:49 AM



“ *From GDS Associates, Inc. purchased the Laven der Reflections Spray for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



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**From GDS Associates, Inc.** - September 27, 2019 at 11:19 AM



“ *Sending condolence to the family, I know Mr Basel will be missed!!!  
He was a very good man !!!*

**Amy Poindexter** - September 27, 2019 at 11:14 AM



“ *Special place in my heart for Basel and Mrs. Doris. Love you both.  
Ginger Lynch*

**ginger lynch** - September 27, 2019 at 11:05 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for  
the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



September 27, 2019 at 10:50 AM



“ *Lessie Price Hughes lit a candle in memory of  
Mr. Basel Gibbs*



**Lessie Price Hughes** - September 27, 2019 at 09:53 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.



September 27, 2019 at 09:45 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.



September 27, 2019 at 09:26 AM



“ Tambra purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.



Tambra - September 27, 2019 at 09:14 AM



“ Mrs. Doris, we are so very sorry. Mr. Basel was truly a good man, that many people looked up to. He was a wonderful example of the kind of man we need more of in this world today. The loss of Mr. Basel will be felt all through out this community. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.



Phillip and Glenda Grimes - September 27, 2019 at 09:13 AM

TC

“ *The Employees of East Texas Electric Coop. purchased the Rays of Light Spray for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



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**The Employees of East Texas Electric Coop.** - September 27, 2019 at 09:07 AM

PW

“ *PAM WORKS lit a candle in memory of Mr. Basel Gibbs*



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**PAM WORKS** - September 27, 2019 at 09:07 AM

FT

“ *Doris Amon and Frances are so sorry for your loss. Amon thought the world of Basil and considered a good friend. Our prayers and love go out to you and your family.*

*Amon and Frances Turner*

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**Frances Turner** - September 27, 2019 at 08:58 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



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September 27, 2019 at 12:01 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Basel Gibbs.*



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September 26, 2019 at 11:56 PM



“ *Mrs Doris, I am so so sorry to hear about your loss. My family is sending love and prayers.*

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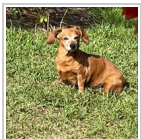
**Kim Turner McCauley** - September 26, 2019 at 11:42 PM



“ *Mrs. Doris, I am so sorry for your loss. Mr. Basel was such a good man. He always had a smile on his face and was happy to see you. A man of integrity, hard work and ready to lend a hand. He had way more attributes than i can even begin to list. His untimely death is a great loss to our community and will be missed by so,so many. You are in my prayers. Much love, Debbie Pierce*

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**Debbie Pierce** - September 26, 2019 at 10:35 PM



“ *Mrs Doris, so sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers. We love you. Richard and Shirley Broadus.*



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**Shirley Carter Broadus** - September 26, 2019 at 09:55 PM

TW

“ *Tamie Warren lit a candle in memory of Mr. Basel Gibbs*



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**Tamie Warren** - September 26, 2019 at 09:28 PM

VG

“ *I known Basel for many years. I have know the family. They are the best family I know. He was always very helpful person. He was a person more people need to model their lives after. He will be missed by many people friends and family. And his wife is really going to miss her wonderful husband and friend. Praying for you and the family. Love you Doris.*

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**Vicki Martin Guilliams** - September 26, 2019 at 09:27 PM

MD

“ *I'm so sorry for the family's loss. Mr. Gibbs was a great man. When ur house burned...he's he one that cut our power...when the tree fell on our truck and part of our house he is the one that came and helped remove it...he was always very nice. He never failed to say thank you when we rustled up his cattle....he was a great neighbor. Mrs. Doris I'm so sorry for your loss. I pray for peace for you all.*

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**Matt & Alysia Davis** - September 26, 2019 at 09:10 PM

JJ

“ *Mr. Basel and his father, Mr. Pete Gibbs were two of the finest men that I ever knew. They baled hay and hired me and some of my EF buddies to haul hay for them for over 5 years. He was an honest, hard working man and always treated us fairly. He would even give us an advance if needed and always willing to lend us a helping hand if needed. This man will be sorely missed. Thank you Mr. Basel for being such a great inspiration to me.*

*JT Jernigan  
Panola, Texas*

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**JT Jernigan** - September 26, 2019 at 09:02 PM