



## Mr. Albert A. Gilson

January 9, 1936 - December 12, 2018

Funeral services for Mr. Albert A. Gilson, 82, of Henderson, will be held at 3:30 PM on Saturday, December 15, 2018 at Crawford - A. Crim Funeral Home with Dr. David Higgs officiating. Interment with military honors will follow at Davis Cemetery. A visitation will be held from 5-7 PM on Friday, December 14, 2018 at Crawford - A. Crim.

Albert A. Gilson peacefully went to his Heavenly home on December 12, 2018 in Henderson. He was born on January 9, 1936 in Fairfield, Idaho to the late Mr. Leonard and Alma Inez (Tigard) Gilson. Mr. Gilson served his country honorably and retired from the United States Air Force, after which he obtained his Master's degree from Stephen F. Austin State University, enabling him to become an educator and principal. He was a very Christian man, and was very active in his church. Most recently, he was a member of First Baptist Church of Henderson.

Preceding Mr. Gilson in death were his wife; Mary Jo Gilson; second wife, Peggy Dorsey Gilson; brother, Don Gilson; and grandson, Caleb Hawkins.

Survivors include his daughters, Debra Rushing and husband Kraig of Pearland, Tracy Hawkins of Pearland, and Joy Thomas and husband Scott of Henderson; son, Burt Gilson and wife Sharon DeMarque of Dallas; sisters, Mary Biladeau and Dolores Kobzowicz, both of Utah; grandchildren, Ryan

Hillin, Mitchell Hillin, CJ Hawkins, Casey Bussard, Dustin Thomas, Tessa Thomas, Chad Gilson, and Christopher Gilson; 5 great-grandchildren; as well as a host of other friends, family, and loved ones.

Honorary pallbearers will be Mr. Gilson's grandchildren.

Condolences may be made to the family at [www.crawfordacrim.com](http://www.crawfordacrim.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Davis Cemetery

CR 401  
Henderson, TX

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **14**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Crawford A. Crim Funeral Home  
1414 South Main Street  
Henderson, TX 75654

## Service

DEC **15**. 3:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home** - December 14, 2018 at 11:19 AM

RS

“ *Joy,  
I was sadden tomread about the passing of your sweet daddy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. Mr. Golson was such a precious man. It was an honor to have known him.*

*All our love  
Ricki and Shannon*

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**Ricki and Shannon Skelton** - December 18, 2018 at 08:11 PM

TD

“ *Joy praying for you and your family during this time of great loss. Asking God to comfort and give peace!*



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**Tom & Bobbie Sue Dumas** - December 17, 2018 at 09:37 PM

LI

“ Joy and family I'm so sorry to hear about your sweet Dad. Praying for all of you



LizThrasher - December 16, 2018 at 08:54 AM

BM

“ Dear Family. I just now saw that I had missed services for Al. I am so sorry. I enjoyed knowing him. Memories bring smiles to my heart. A favorite is from many years ago at Trinity Baptist business meeting...Al voting 1 way, and Mary Jo the opposite. You are often in my prayers.

Betty Mullens - December 15, 2018 at 06:32 PM

RK

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of loss. Mr. Gilson was such a special man and touched many lives, including mine. He set this mamma's fears to rest when Jake began 1st grade at Chamberlain. I also enjoyed substitute teaching for him. He always had a special light in his eyes and I know they are shining even brighter today now that he is in his heavenly home. Rhonda, Kenneth and Jake Keeling

Rhonda Keeling - December 15, 2018 at 11:25 AM

LI

“ Liz&Ricky Thrasher



LizThrasher - December 15, 2018 at 07:49 AM



“ *Burt, Joy, Tracey, and Debra,*  
*I am sorry I didn't make it to the visitation. Mr. Gilson was one of the finest men I have ever known. I will miss him greatly when I teach at Brookdale. Even when he no longer knew who I was or often where he was, he knew the truths of God's word and was a vital part of our Sunday School class. He knew God, and he shared His love up until his last days. I know where he is now and that he is whole again.*

*Cathy Bradshaw Hooper*

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**Cathy Hooper** - December 14, 2018 at 09:05 PM

LC

“ *Linda Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Linda Coleman** - December 14, 2018 at 03:27 PM

ST

“ *Skip And Pat Turner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Skip and Pat Turner** - December 14, 2018 at 11:22 AM

PS

“ Paige And Chris Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson



Paige and Chris Sanders - December 14, 2018 at 10:47 AM

PF

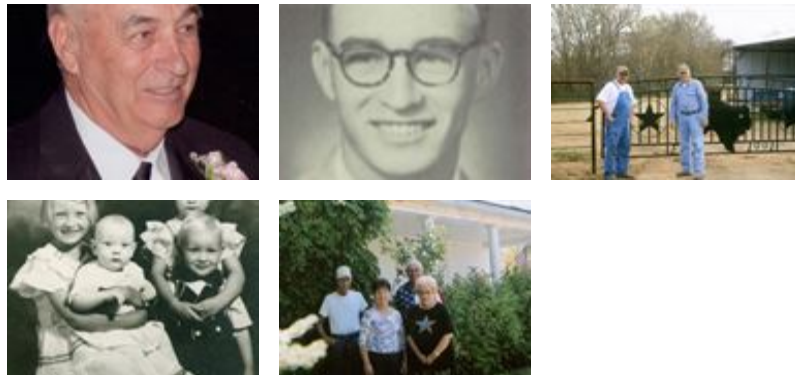
“ Paula Fredenburg lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson



Paula Fredenburg - December 14, 2018 at 10:29 AM



“ 72 files added to the album LifeTributes



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - December 14, 2018 at 10:14 AM

MJ

“ *Mark And Patty Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Mark and Patty Johnson** - December 14, 2018 at 08:43 AM

CS

“ *I have many wonderful memories of Mr. Gilson. He was a true gentleman who always greeted everyone with a smile. He was a good listener! He was my first phone call as I headed to the hospital to have my first baby (I had to have a sub for my classroom). He also shared the news of the Twin Towers to our hall of teachers. I could be at the post office or my front yard and Mr. Gilson took time to stop and visit. I'm not sure anyone can fill his shoes. You had a good daddy.*

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**Craig and Paula Sweeney** - December 14, 2018 at 08:15 AM

BH

“ *Beverly Bennett Hayden lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Beverly Bennett Hayden** - December 13, 2018 at 11:07 PM

CB

“ *Colleen Briggs lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Colleen Briggs** - December 13, 2018 at 07:41 PM

CB

“ *Cindy Belcher lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Cindy Belcher** - December 13, 2018 at 06:42 PM

SF

“ *Shannon Foster lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Shannon Foster** - December 13, 2018 at 03:34 PM

SF

“ *Joy, I am so sorry for your family's loss. Mr. Gilson was an absolute pleasure to get to know and see when he came in the office. My heart is broken, but at the same time, I know he is at peace. Wrapping you in prayers and comfort, he will be greatly missed.*

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**Shannon Foster** - December 13, 2018 at 03:33 PM

FE

“ *Felicia Evans lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Felicia Evans** - December 13, 2018 at 12:42 PM

KC

“ *Kathy Chapman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Kathy Chapman** - December 13, 2018 at 12:00 PM

KC

“ *Oh Mr. Al Gilson, how the Chapman family loves you. I worked in the cafeteria for many years while he was Principal at Chamberlain Elementary. Travis and he would get out in the dining room and throw the football around. Mr. Gilson, was a very devoted person at any and all positions. He was loved by so many and made such a huge impact on his students. Was a wonderful Christian man. I'm so sorry Joy and your family. your sisters, extended family. David, Travis and I will be upholding you all in our daily prayers. May God continue to comfort you all at this time. We love you all. Mr. Gilson leave the light on for us! Love and Sympathies,  
David & Kathy Chapman,  
Travis & Courtney Glaser Chapman,  
Jaydon Glaser, Stetson Ray Chapman &  
Miss Rylan Ann Chapman.*

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**Kathy Chapman** - December 13, 2018 at 12:00 PM

SC

“ Shannon Hieronimus Cook lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson



Shannon Hieronimus Cook - December 13, 2018 at 11:40 AM

DK

“ David And Peggy Keeling lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson



David and Peggy Keeling - December 13, 2018 at 11:26 AM

MM

“ Prayers of comfort to all of Al's family. Milton and Sharla McGee



Milton and Sharla McGee - December 13, 2018 at 09:50 AM

CW

“ Working in the school district with Al was such a pleasure. He was just the nicest man and showed true Christian love in everything he did. He will be missed. Deepest condolences to all the family.



Cyndi Walker - December 13, 2018 at 09:47 AM

CR

“ Claude Robinson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson



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**Claude Robinson** - December 13, 2018 at 09:11 AM

PB

“ Debra, I am so sorry for your loss. I thought the world of your dad. Prayers for you and your entire family.

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**Patti Capps Bryan** - December 13, 2018 at 08:25 AM

PP

“ Pud Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson



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**pud patterson** - December 13, 2018 at 08:14 AM

BM

“ *Mr Gilson is one of the last from the era of true gentlemen. I grew up with his family at Trinity Baptist Church where his reputation of a Christian family man brightly shined. Later in life, His voice was the first voice I heard for many many mornings. Let me explain. When he was assistant principal at Northside, I was a favorite on his substitute teacher call list. "Good morning Becky" were always his first words. He was a big influence on my decision to go back to college to get my teaching certification .Then, I had the opportunity to teach at Northside for 7 years with him as my assistant principal for most of that time.*

*I will remember him as a respected man of the military who went on to serve in educating our children. You could easily embarrass him as he had a quiet and shy personality behind that strict military persona.*

*I want to say, "Good morning Mr Gilson" as you start off this morning wearing your crown full of jewels and reunited with loved ones in a beautiful mansion that God prepared just for you. I am positive that He welcomed you saying, "WELL DONE MY FAITHFUL CHILD".*

*Becky Jolley Massengale*

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**Becky Massengale** - December 13, 2018 at 08:03 AM

WP

“ *Wes Partin And Sherry Pelt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Wes Partin and Sherry Pelt** - December 13, 2018 at 06:33 AM

BG

“ *Praying for peace and comfort.*  
*Bonnie Geddie*



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**Bonnie Geddie** - December 13, 2018 at 12:03 AM

MG

“ *Al will be greatly missed by our family. We have many wonderful memories through the years visiting with him and riding through the pastures of the land he so loved. Thankful for his friendship and influence in our lives.*

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**Mark and Nancy Gibson** - December 12, 2018 at 07:37 PM



“ *Becky Krajewski lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Becky Krajewski** - December 12, 2018 at 07:34 PM



“ *Cyndy Broadus lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Cyndy Broadus** - December 12, 2018 at 06:09 PM

TC

*One of my first Sunday School Teachers in Henderson and my First Assistant PrincipL as Teacher. Heaven just gained another one of the most Godly men I ever knew. How blessed we were to have them in our lives!*

**Tonya Cates** - December 13, 2018 at 05:23 PM

LD

“ *We are so sorry for your loss.*  
*Loy and Leann Dorsey*



**Leann Dorsey** - December 12, 2018 at 06:07 PM

KT

“ *Ken And Neccy Tillison lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



**Ken and Neccy Tillison** - December 12, 2018 at 05:52 PM

PD

“ *PAUL& SUSAN DUNCAN lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



**PAUL& SUSAN DUNCAN** - December 12, 2018 at 05:24 PM

MC

“ *Mary Colombo lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Mary Colombo** - December 12, 2018 at 05:23 PM

BT

“ *Bruce Tate lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Bruce Tate** - December 12, 2018 at 04:47 PM

JT

“ *Jean Tate lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Jean Tate** - December 12, 2018 at 04:46 PM

JH

“ *Joel And Barbara Hale lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



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**Joel and Barbara Hale** - December 12, 2018 at 04:14 PM

GA

“ *Gale Austin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



**Gale Austin** - December 12, 2018 at 03:16 PM

NB

“ *Nettie Barnes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



**Nettie Barnes** - December 12, 2018 at 02:32 PM

BH

“ *Bob & Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Albert A. Gilson*



**Bob & Sue Henderson** - December 12, 2018 at 10:55 AM

LR

*My thoughts and prayers are with this precious family that he loved so much. Mr AL was a wonderful Christian man who loved to share his love for Jesus with others he would always pray over every meal at Brookdale his prayers were more than words he would really speak from the heart and he was such a blessing he is so loved and will be greatly missed ❤️🙏*

**Linda Rentz** - December 12, 2018 at 05:25 PM

TW

*Mr. Al was a wonderful man...So pleasant to visit with him.*

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**thomas/ Andrea Walker** - December 13, 2018 at 10:56 AM

FD

*Al was an outstanding Christian man. We were in the same Sunday school department at First Baptist church for years. He was very faithful. While he was our department director, he would always end with a very appropriate thought. After he moved to Brookdale, he was always eager to visit and didn't complain. He would always say, " God is good to me."*

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**Fay and Fay Dorsey** - December 14, 2018 at 10:44 AM