

*God saw you getting tired  
A cure was not to be.  
So He put His arms around you  
And whispered, "Come with Me."*

*With tearful eyes we watched you  
And saw you fade away.  
Although we loved you dearly  
We could not make you stay.*

*A golden heart stopped beating  
Your tender hands at rest.  
God took you home to prove to us  
He only takes the best.*

From the Siblings:

*Hattie, Pearlean, Peggy, Mary, Sharon, J.C., Nathan*



### *Acknowledgements*

The Family of the late A.C. Gibbs thank you for your calls, prayers, cards, visits, flowers, food and every act of kindness that has been shown to our Family during this time in our lives. You have been so thoughtful and gracious and we pray that God will continue blessing each and every of you. A very special thanks to Barbara Henley Delaney from Jackson, Tennessee and the Hospice Care Team. Thanks to the family members Sharon Gibbs, Keisha Harris, Nickie Brown and Nick Gibbs for their care they provided to A.C.

**The Family**

### *Active Pallbearers*

Jessie Gibbs  
Jeff Bowers  
Derrick Cross  
Reginald Shaw

Michael Gibbs  
Christopher Jones  
Ryan Wiley  
Terry Harris

### *Flower Bearers*

Nieces

### *Interment*

Johnson Chapel Cemetery  
Whiteville, Tennessee

### *Professional Services Entrusted to*

Hardeman County Funeral Service  
109 South Porter Street  
Bolivar, TN 38008  
(731) 658-7473

### *Repast*

W.L. Cheers Fellowship Hall following the burial

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

*for  
A.C. (Mr. Blues) Gibbs*



*Sunrise*

*April 8, 1939*

*Sunset*

*January 2, 2017*

Saturday, January 7, 2017  
11 o'clock am

**Johnson Chapel CME Church**  
9985 Vildo Road  
Whiteville, Tennessee 38075

Reverend Larry Hughes, Pastor  
Reverend Willie J. Grandberry, Presiding Elder  
Bishop Henry M. Williamson, Sr., President  
Prelate

**Pastor Nathan R. Gibbs -- Eulogy**  
New Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church  
Middleton, Tennessee

# Obituary

A.C. Gibbs was born April 8, 1939, to the late J.B. and Rosie Gibbs in the state of Tennessee. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of January 2017, A.C. departed this earthly home.

He was preceded in death by his Father and Mother, J.B. and Rosie Gibbs; his son, Kenneth Gibbs; and two brothers, Leo Gibbs and Leon Gibbs.

A.C. was united in matrimony to Louise Cross Gibbs and to this union a son, Kenneth, was born. After time progressed, A.C. married Faye Gibbs, and as the season of time changed, he later married Darlene Gibbs.

A.C. had a very special friend that he loved dearly (Vickie Brown) and two children that he loved and raised as his own (Anthony Travis Brown of Minnesota and LaShawn Brown-Bradley of Lake Wood, Ohio).

A.C. confessed his hope in Christ at an early age and joined Johnson Chapel CME Church, where he attended until he relocated to Cleveland, Ohio, where he joined and attended Mars Hill Baptist Church.

A.C. was employed with Ford Motors for 40 years. He was also known for his talent of playing the harmonica and received the nickname *Mr. Blues*. He was also known for his bowling skills and traveled to many cities with his bowling league, where they won numerous tournaments.

Those who will cherish A.C.'s memories are his siblings – Hattie (J.C.) Harvey, Pearlean Green, Mary McKinnie all of Whiteville, TN; Peggy Woods of St. Louis, MO; Sharon Gibbs of Bolivar, TN; J.C. (Christine) Gibbs, Nathan (Peggy) Gibbs both of Whiteville, TN; Betty Wilkes Herron loved like a sister; and Eugene Robertson, who was like a brother; two grandchildren, Nickie and Latoya Gibbs; two children he raised as his own, Anthony Travis Brown and LaShawn Brown-Bradley. A host of nieces, nephews, and friends that loved him dearly. Three very special best friends, Joe Jackson, Jim Rogers and Vickie Brown. God by the glory.



# Order of Service

Processional

Viewing of Loved One

Selection..... Johnson Chapel Choir

## Affirmation of Faith

Prayer..... Pastor Hughes

Scriptures:

*Old Testament* .....Pastor Hughes

*New Testament*..... Pastor Johnny Shaw

Song..... The Shaw Singers

Words of Comfort.....Pastor Jerry Crisp  
*Union Hill MB Church  
Whiteville, Tennessee*

Short Remarks .....Fredell Harris

Solo .....Darlinea White

Resolution/Acknowledgements .... Wendy Traylor

Reflections of Life

Read Silently ..... Soft Music

Tribute ..... Valerie, Patricia & Shay Gibbs

Eulogy.....Pastor Nathan R. Gibbs  
*New Mt. Pleasant MB Church  
Middleton, Tennessee*

Recessional