



David W Gillespie

May 30, 1956 - November 3, 2021

David Walton Gillespie, 65, a Shreveport, LA native, and resident for nearly 60 years who spent the last five years living in Gulf Shores, AL, passed away on November 3, 2021, after a brief illness.

David was born in Shreveport, LA on May 30, 1956, as the fourth of five sons to Lt. Col. (Ret.) Robert W. Gillespie, Sr., and Ola Mae Guitrau. In the fall of 1962, the family moved to Kincheloe Air Force Base in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, where they lived until returning to Shreveport in February 1965. David graduated from C.E. Byrd High School in 1974 and attended Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge for one year before returning to Shreveport once again to attend Louisiana State University-Shreveport where he received a bachelor's degree in accounting in 1978. David would spend his career as an accountant, working in various roles throughout his life. Despite a lengthy career in accountancy, his favorite job was to be a husband and father and share the value he believed was the most vital: the importance of family.

As one of 33 grandchildren on his mother's side, he learned from a young age how important family can be, and spent his entire life being the best example of what that means. He was always planning the next family reunion and doing whatever it took to help any member. His interest in family and genealogy led him in 1998 to create a family history book, tracing his maternal family back to the 1500s. He also had a passion for cooking and cheering on

the LSU Tigers.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Jay Gillespie. He is survived by his wife and the love of his life for more than 30 years, Sandy Clark Gillespie, and their children: Christopher and Mary Catherine. He is also survived by his brothers Robert W. Gillespie, Jr and his wife Josette of Bossier City, LA; Fred Gillespie and his wife Holly of Houston, TX; Doug Gillespie and his wife Jackie of Destin, FL; and his sister-in-law Leigha Gillespie of Lake Dallas, TX. He is also survived by many cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Visitation with friends and family will be held at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Denham Springs, LA on Friday, November 19 at 12:00, with a Funeral Mass following at 1:00. Pallbearers will be: John Ed Allen, Mike Berton, Robert Frost, Paul Guitrau, Roger Guitrau, Richard Liles, Jimmy Marrs, Billy Martin, Rick McCallister, Mark McCrocklin, Robert Moffatt, Lon Norris, Vince Rinaudo, David Shinpoch, and Kim Thomas.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the charity of your choice. To continue his legacy, do something to make someone else smile and thank those who have impacted you in any way.

Arrangements are entrusted to Cason Funeral Service in Foley Al

Tribute Wall



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of David W Gillespie.* ”



November 18, 2021 at 11:42 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of David W Gillespie.* ”



November 18, 2021 at 06:54 PM



“ *Your friends at PIV purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of David W Gillespie.* ”



Your friends at PIV - November 17, 2021 at 08:31 AM



“ *Bob and Margaret McConnell purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of David W Gillespie.* ”



Bob and Margaret McConnell - November 17, 2021 at 08:30 AM

EP

“ *Evelyn Smith Penrod lit a candle in memory of David W Gillespie*



Evelyn Smith Penrod - November 16, 2021 at 05:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of David W Gillespie.*



November 16, 2021 at 05:23 PM

AH

“ *This couple was so much fun. I went on Several bus trips from Shreveport to LSU Tiger games and Jazz Fest in New Orleans. We laughed and had so much fun on the bus trips. They called us Bus People. On one trip, Sandy and David had a Faux Wedding.*

*I was so sorry to read this in the paper today.
My prayers are with Sandy and his family.*

Annette Hamm

Annette Hamm - November 15, 2021 at 11:42 AM

WF

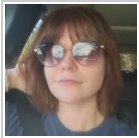
“ David and Sandy invited us to their house last Christmas when we could not travel due to Covid. That just shows the loving and kind people that they were always. David was taken from this world far too soon! He was always a gentle and loving person. We have him in our hearts daily. We pray for Sandy to be blessed for the time that she had with David, and know that she will see him again.
Wayne and Suellen Foley

wayne Foley - November 11, 2021 at 04:48 PM

LS

“ Sandy and David showed the world what true love is all about. They were always smiling and enjoying life to fullest. He will truly be missed by us all. He is rooting for his Tigers in the beat seat in the house now. He just left us way too soon. David and Leslie Shinpoch

Leslie and David Shinpoch - November 10, 2021 at 08:14 PM



“ David was the best, the funniest, the most caring. No family event will ever be the same.



Elaine Armstrong - November 10, 2021 at 05:04 PM

RF

“ Accepting the "Manufacturer of the Year 2009" award at the governor's mansion Baton Rouge May 2009. Just 1 of 1000s.



Robert Frost - November 10, 2021 at 04:12 PM

MS

“ Monica Liles Schocken purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of David W Gillespie.



Monica Liles Schocken - November 10, 2021 at 03:38 PM

PR

“ Paula Rice lit a candle in memory of David W Gillespie



Paula Rice - November 08, 2021 at 12:04 PM

PT

“ I am so saddened to hear of David's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with his family. Patti Moore Todd

Patti Todd - November 06, 2021 at 09:28 PM