

## Thomas O. Gilliland Sr.

December 15, 1938 - March 28, 2017

North Augusta, SC—Memorial Services for Mr. Thomas O. Gilliland, Sr., 78, who went home to meet his Savior, March 28, 2017, will be conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Posey Funeral Chapel with Veteran Honors. Rev. Mark Owens officiating.

Mr. Gilliland was a native of Mathiston, Mississippi, a former resident of Alabama, having made North Augusta his home for the past 62 years. After moving to North Augusta, he met the love of his life. He became Corrie Butler's High School sweetheart at the age of 15. His career began with joining the Navy with stints at the Pentagon, Naples Italy, Charleston and Virginia Beach, Virginia. While serving in the Navy, he worked as Manager at an Exxon Service Center in Virginia Beach for 13 years. He later would retire from his third career of 17 years as a Service Manager for Milton Ruben Chevrolet. Mr. Gilliland was a member of First Baptist Church of North Augusta and the Bobby Dodd Sunday School Class. He was preceded in death by his parents, Dock Abner Gilliland and Dorothy Thomas Gilliland; a son, Thomas O. Gilliland, Jr.

Survivors include his wife of 57 years, Corrie Butler Gilliland, a son, Darrell Gilliland, North Augusta, SC; a daughter and son-in-law, Angela and Brian Coleman, North Augusta, SC; six grandchildren, Christopher Gilliland, Katye Gilliland, Ashton Young, Lauren Coleman, Addison Coleman and Shane Kendrick; a sister, Jean Way, Montgomery, TX.

Honorary Pallbearers will be members of the Bobby Dodd Sunday School

Class, Draper Young and Matt Bader.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home following the service.

Memorials may be made to ASPCA, 199 Willow Run Rd, Aiken, SC 29801.

# Previous Events

## Service

APR 2. 2:00 PM (ET)

Posey Funeral Chapel  
1307 Georgia Avenue  
North Augusta, SC 29841

## Visitation

APR 2 (ET)

Posey Funeral Directors  
1307 Georgia Avenue  
North Augusta, SC

# Tribute Wall



“ Posey Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas O. Gilliland Sr.



Posey Funeral Directors - March 30, 2017 at 05:35 PM

KL

*U will be missed rip*

Kathy Love - March 31, 2017 at 06:22 AM

BR

*To Darrell and the entire Gilliland family. Thank you for allowing me to experience this glimpse into your family. It is so beautiful! May God bless you all and ease your pain and sadness during this time. You are blessed beyond measure, be grateful and rejoice. Sincerely, Beth (Blaski) Ruhlman. <3*

Beth Ruhlman - March 31, 2017 at 07:39 AM

DA

*Hopeful each memory will help carry you through the hard moments. Enjoyed seeing each one.*

Dana - April 02, 2017 at 09:50 PM



“ Thomas O. Gilliland Sr.

October 06, 2023 at 06:29 AM



“ Thomas O. Gilliland Sr.

September 24, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ An amazing service for an amazing man. Each person who spoke~ especially the grandchildren, did a fantastic job giving those of us who didn't know him~ just a little glimpse of the man he was and the things he valued and loved.

What a legacy.



Dana K Stevenson - April 02, 2017 at 09:43 PM



“ Corrie,

My condolences to you and your family. I had many fond memories during early high school with Tom, Alfred, Ray and Ralph and was sad to hear of his passing. You had a long and I am sure great marriage. I am sure he will be missed by all who knew him.

Tom Trimmier

Tom Trimmier - April 02, 2017 at 08:49 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas O. Gilliland Sr..



March 31, 2017 at 05:18 PM

NK

“ Ms. Corrie, Darrell, and Angie, I'm sad to hear of Tom Sr.'s passing on to be with The Good Lord. I am sorry that I can not make the funeral but I will be there in prayer.

*I am blessed to have been around Tom Sr. some growing up, and he always had a calm and kind demeanor about him that I respected. I will always be grateful for him raising an amazing son in Tom Jr. and his lasting impact in my life. I'll always have fond memories of riding in the Bronco II, piloted by Tom Jr, Sr, and Darrell for years. Ride on!*

*May The Good Lord comfort you during this difficult time and bless you in many years to come.*

*With a heavy heart,  
Nick Kmiecik*

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**Nick Kmiecik** - March 31, 2017 at 02:10 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas O. Gilliland Sr..*



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March 31, 2017 at 12:22 PM

JC

“ *Corrie we have you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. Deepest Sympathy with Love. Jane and Thomas Cauthen.*



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**Jane Cauthen** - March 30, 2017 at 07:57 PM

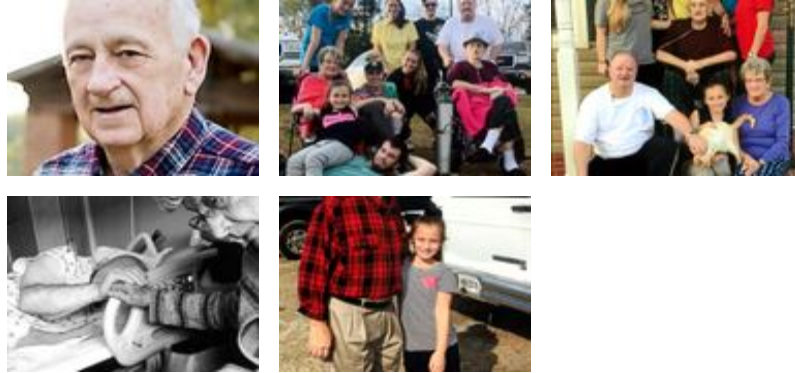
PA

“ Prayers to the family and friends.

Pat Altman - March 30, 2017 at 07:52 PM



“ 42 files added to the album LifeTributes



Posey Funeral Directors - March 30, 2017 at 05:31 PM

KL

“ So sorry to hear he was a great man and friend he will be missed by All we will be praying for y'all. love yall Kathy , Todd and buckshot

Kathy love - March 30, 2017 at 08:59 AM

VS

“ Corrie we are so sorry to hear about Thomas. We love you very much. You will be in our thoughts, prayers, and hearts at this time. Vicki Sumerau, Kelli Corley and family.

Vicki sumerau - March 30, 2017 at 07:36 AM

SG

“ Corrie, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. He was a good man!  
Please know I will keep you and the rest of your family in my  
thoughts and prayers. God will get you through this.  
Sherrie Gay and boys

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**Sherrie Gay** - March 29, 2017 at 10:36 PM

JB

“ Corrie and family, may you feel God's  
presence even closer during this time of grief.



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**Jimmy and Janice Bell** - March 29, 2017 at 03:23 PM

GS

“ Was a great neighbor. We could relate both being retired military.  
Any help a neighbor needed with out question he did it. God  
Bless.my friend and neighbor

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**George Shaw** - March 29, 2017 at 03:15 PM

VE

“ Thomas was a good neighbor and friend will  
miss him, prayers for Coriie, Darryl and Angie  
and family.



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**Veda** - March 29, 2017 at 03:01 PM

MF

“ I am a 3rd cousin in Alex City AL. Have many good memories of Tommy on Maynard hill. 🙏🙏



Mary Clyne Forbus - March 29, 2017 at 01:54 PM



“ I'm going to miss you uncle Tommy...

Wade Wilemon - March 29, 2017 at 01:33 PM

BB

Angela, I am so sorry to hear this. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers. God Bless all of you.

Bridget Britton - March 29, 2017 at 08:20 PM

BB

Dad was always there to support little Tom and I in whatever shenanigans we were up to. He'd always check on us whether we were working on cars on in the garage late in the night or out fishing. I remember his military stories and that was one great thing we had in common. Will certainly miss him. Now father and son are joined in heaven.

Bernard Barbour - March 30, 2017 at 07:34 PM