



Gifford Fuller

November 19, 1948 - January 26, 2009

Gifford L. Fuller, age 60 of Sale Creek went Home to be with his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, at his home Monday morning, January 26, 2009 surrounded by his family. Gifford was born in Sale Creek on November 19, 1948 the son of the late Tillman and Frances (Sluss) Fuller. He was also preceded in death by his brother, Charles Fuller and an infant sister, Janice Fuller.

Gifford was a life long resident of Sale Creek and graduated from Sale Creek High School. He served his country with the US Army and was a member of the Sale Creek Church of God. He was the owner and operator of Fuller's Place in Sale Creek. Gifford was a member of the Dayton Golf & Country Club, enjoyed the World Poker Tour and was an avid Tennessee Vols fan.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy (Edmondson) Fuller of Sale Creek, his daughter, Tammy (Richard) Parks of Chattanooga, two sons, Gifford Lee (fiance' Pam Perry) Fuller of Sale Creek and Matthew Fuller of Knoxville. Gifford is also survived by his sister, Connie Goins of Decatur, his brother, John (Pat) Fuller of Sale Creek, three grandchildren, Kaitlyn Fuller, Isabella Parks and Lillian Parks along with many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral service for Gifford will be held Wednesday evening at 7:00pm at the Sale Creek Church of God with Rev. Jack Brown, Dr. Mike Fuller, Rev. Terry

Bolton and Bishop Kenneth Bolton officiating concluding with Military Honors. Graveside services followed by a white dove release will be held Thursday morning at 11:00am in the Welsh-Rogers Cemetery in Sale Creek.

Gifford's family will receive friends at the church Wednesday beginning at 4:00pm.

The family is being served by the Vanderwall Funeral Home in Dayton.

Please visit Gifford's on-line guest register at www.vanderwallfh.com.

Tribute Wall



“ I knew Gifford for during my work at Dixie Savings stores warehouse on 812 east 12th street. He was a wonderful man that always loved the business and the community. He was also and avid Vols fan and good freind . He is dearly missed. R.I.P may heaven be a little better for us all now.##imported-begin##Jim Blair##imported-end##

January 28, 2012 at 12:55 PM



“ I ATTENDED HIGH SCHOOL WITH GIFFORD, WE GRADUATED IN SAME CLASS IN 1968 AT SALE CREEK.

SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. I WAS NURSING SUPERVISOR AT MEMORIAL NORTH PARK WHILE GIFFORD WAS PATIENT IN OUR ICU. I WORK NIGHT SHIFT SO I DID NOT SEE THE FAMILY BUT DID KEEP UP WITH WQHAT WAS HAPPENING WITH GIFFORD.

MY PRAYERS WILL BE WITH YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.

CONNIE SILVER, R.N., ADM. REP##imported-begin##CONNIE SILVER##imported-end##

January 31, 2009 at 03:36 AM



“ Sorry for your loss. Wish we could have been there with you.##imported-begin##Earl & Bonnie Hall##imported-end##

January 30, 2009 at 06:26 PM



“ I will miss you. Don't worry about Lee I will love him and stay by his side no matter how crazy things get and I will always love him with all my heart. Giff we just did not have enough time to share and get to know each other. I did my best to give you and the family some alone time before you went home I know it was not enough but I hope it was enough to give everyone peace. Love ya
Giff###imported-begin##Pam Perry###imported-end##

January 30, 2009 at 05:02 PM



“ I am lost for words. There are no words that could ease your pain. I love you and if you need me, I am here. Love, Pat###imported-begin##Pat Fuller###imported-end##

January 29, 2009 at 04:31 PM



“ I can only say that I was bless to take care of him. He made me smile everytime I walked in the room. God Bless the family. You are all in our prayers.###imported-begin##CONNIE TERRELL
R.N.###imported-end##

January 29, 2009 at 04:00 PM



“ Giff,
We love and miss you. You were the best boss anyone could have asked for. You were always there if we had a problem, and helped us through them. You were there to lend a helping hand when we needed it. We will miss you alot.

Carol Sheble, & Carolyn Isenberg###imported-begin##Carol Sheble,
& Carolyn Isenberg###imported-end##

January 29, 2009 at 10:39 AM



“ *What a great loss to your friends & family...but what a gain to Heaven!!!*

So many are already there that you get to see before we do...Pastor Ken that just barely got there before you did; your dad, a great man of God; Martina Nelson, a great and mighty prayer warrior;and so many more that have already been there waiting for you.

You will forever be in our memories and enjoyed our nice little visit at the Bookstore not too long ago. We will not forget all the great memories at Watts Bar COG and your faithfulness to bringing us coffee and doughnuts every Sunday morning.

May God always be with your wife, Nancy (a very precious lady), your children,grand children & entire family to give them comfort, strength and peace during their great loss! Our prayers are with you all.

Until we meet again...Pastor Chris & Kim Pugh##imported-begin##Pastor Chris & Kim Pugh##imported-end##

January 29, 2009 at 09:53 AM



“ *Hope, Faith and Love... A poem given to be from God and the testimony given about the celebration of the life of Gifford Fuller my uncle*

*I think about the life you lived
And through the bad you always tried to give
You were one, who at one time was just like the rest
The devil put you through many trials and test
But Jesus decided to carry you
That's why you only saw one set of footsteps
instead of two
You see that those times you were never alone
And the day has come that God has carried you home
The devil had one last attack
He brought you cancer
But your faith never lacked
Just like Daniel in the Lions den
Even when you were surrounded by death, your faith made you win
And when you got sick and your body hurt
You kept your faith strong and kept clinging to Gods words
Your testimony made me remember the childhood song
That even when we are weak, he is strong
Your faith gave you hope and you always had love
And that's why I know you're with the father above
I know when you smiled that last big smile
It's when you saw Jesus and that made it all worth the while....*

By: Tonya Knight###imported-begin##Tonya Knight###imported-end##

January 29, 2009 at 09:03 AM



“ I think Gifford was a really good person. He'll be missed by all.##imported-begin##Larry Ray##imported-end##

January 28, 2009 at 07:34 PM



“ Giff touch all of us in a different way here at First Bank of Tennessee. I will always remember how kind and funny he was. He always had a smile on his face and that is what I will always remember about him. We will truly miss him. God will help you get thru these tough times and I will pray for your heart to be comforted and for God to wrap his loving arms around your whole family. With love,
Connie##imported-begin##Connie McClendon##imported-end##

January 28, 2009 at 05:08 PM



“ Dear Connie y family,
May God's grace y peace be with you at this time y in days to come.
We are praying for you, y looking forward to the gathering of God's family to be forever with the Lord
(I Thes 4).##imported-begin##Jones Mahaffey##imported-end##

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“ Our sympathy is expressed to the family of Mr. Fuller. I only had the chance to meet Mr. Fuller once in my life, but with that chance I could see the love he had for his family and friends. He carried a special place in his heart for his granddaughters and he will be truly missed by all. God bless.

Patty and Wayne Gill

Montpelier, Virginia###imported-begin##Patty Gill##imported-end##

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“ Gifford, I will Miss seeing you at the store in Sale Creek.... You and family have always been my friend.... You and family have always been nice to me..... You and Nancy have been to-geather 40yrs..... I do have respect for you both..... May GOD Bless Both of You..... Johnny Gross###imported-begin##Johnny Gross##imported-end##

January 28, 2009 at 11:53 AM



“ We will always remember you. The Hurds and Morgans###imported-begin##Roy & Betty Hurd##imported-end##

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“ My loving husband I was so blessed to have had you for forty years in my life. You tried so hard to stay with us but now you have a new body there is no more struggles how can we not be happy for you . Today we will celebrate your life and it is raining outside and on the inside with our tears and heartache we miss you so much. A wonderful husband, father, papa, friend. There is not anything that you would not do for us. We knew what lay in the future for you had God choose to leave you with us and I am thankful that you did not know instead he allowed us to bring you home to be with your family if only for a short time I thank him for that he knew how much you wanted to be at your home Now you are at his home with the family gone before you what a happy time that must be. I love you so much you will forever be in my heart and my everyday and my everything but now your my big guy in the sky and you will be the only one to understand this but I will be there soon to pull your toe. Watch over us honey and give us the courage, faith, and strength you had, Forever Yours Nancy###imported-begin###Nancy Fuller###imported-end##

January 28, 2009 at 09:37 AM



“ I had known Gifford since the store in Soddy Daisy. My thoughts and prayers are with his family.###imported-begin###Renee' Snyder Dopierala###imported-end##

January 27, 2009 at 10:59 PM



“ Gifford' you was loved by everyone. I know you will forever be with your precious brother. you will be sorely missed. Nancy, Gifford lee, Tammy, matthew, grandbabies' I pray God will be with during this time.###imported-begin###Ellen Fuller###imported-end##

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“ You have our deepest sympathies. He will be missed greatly.##imported-begin##Sandra and Mark Shapiro##imported-end##

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“ You are dear to us. We will miss you on this earth but you have achieved the ultimate. You are now with your heavenly Father where there will be no pain, no suffering, no worries. Yours will now be a life of rejoicing and praise to God forever. Our prayers and love are with your family as you will be missed until united again in the Kingdom of God. May God's comfort be upon each of them in their lost of a dear husband, father, and friend.##imported-begin##O'Dell Miller##imported-end##

January 27, 2009 at 10:20 PM



“ Dearest Loving Family: How lucky you all are to have had such a loving, giving man in your life. There was certainly an everydayness about all he did for those he cared for. Gifford fought a most courageous battle. Live each day like it's your last day on earth, and never forget to be kind and loving to those who love you the most. Be strong, but it's ok to be sad too. Your Loving Friends Who Have Been There...Pam, Stan, and Jacob Frederick##imported-begin##Pam, Stan, and Jacob Frederick##imported-end##

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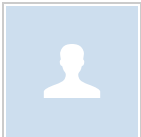
“ DEAR GIFF,
AS I SIT HERE THINKING OF THE MEMORIES I HAVE OF YOU AS A CHILD COMING TO THE GROCERY STORE IN SODDY EVERY FRIDAY WITH GRANNY TO GET HER GROCERIES FOR THE WEEK, I NEVER WILL FORGET HOW GOOD YOU WERE TO HER WHEN SHE HAD NO MONEY TO SHOP, YOU ALWAYS LET HER GET WHAT SHE NEEDED AND PAY YOU ON THE 1ST. OF THE MONTH WHEN SHE GOT HER CHECK, IT SEEMS NO MATTER THE COST, YOU WERE ALWAYS WILLING TO HELP SOMEONE OUT. MIKE & I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER YOU FOR THE DEALS YOU HELPED US GET WITH OUR STORE. I LOVE YOU GIFF& WILL ALWAYS CHERRISH THE FOND MEMORIES I HAVE OF YOU. WE SHALL NEVER KNOW WHAT GOD HAS IN STORE FOR US, BUT WILL ALWAYS KNOW WE WILL SEE ONE ANOTHER AGAIN SOMEDAY AND REJOICE WITH THE ANGELS, ALONG WITH THE OTHERS WHO LEFT THIS CRUEL WORLD BEFORE US. YOU WILL SURELY BE MISSED, BUT I WILL SEE YOU CUZ, IN A BETTER PLACE SOMEDAY. MAY GOD BE WITH NANCY, GIFFY LEE, TAMMY & MATHEW. I LOVE YOU GUYS.
WITH IOVE,
TAMMY "BRUCE" ALAZZAM###imported-begin##TAMMY ALAZZAM###imported-end##

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“ I've been staring at this page searching for words, but can only recount memories. Last year in Myrtle beach we had supper with you guys. I ordered like a twenty dollar meal and so did Mike, thinking we were paying for ours. When we asked for our check they said Giff had paid! I could've crawled under the table with embarrassment from ordering such expensive food! But, he just laughed and hugged my neck. He was always so generous. There was never a time that I saw him when he didn't smile at me and offer a hug. I loved him as a uncle but he was always more than that! He was a friend and that means so much. Family is important to have and the older you get the more you realize that. I'll cherish each and every memory I have, from playing as a child with Tammy in his bright orange office to watching him and my Dad wade in the ocean at Myrtle Beach. I wish there were words to ease the pain and the loss, but I know there aren't any. I love you, Nancy. I love you and Tammy and Lee so much, I hope that you all know that. Anything you need I am here, anytime.
Love you, Chas###imported-begin##Chastity Fuller
Carlock###imported-end##

January 27, 2009 at 03:20 PM



“ Nancy, I am so sorry to hear about Gifford. Our prayers are with you and your family.
charles and juanita###imported-begin##charles@juanita
keltck###imported-end##

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“ To the Fuller family,
I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all
during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Beth (Weller)
Breitkreutz##imported-end##

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“ *Philippians 4:6-7##imported-begin##Philip D. Gentry ##imported-
end##*

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“ Tammy,

*We are so very sorry for your loss. Please let us know if there is
anything we can do.*

*Dr. Shull, Anne, Paige, Lori, Tammy and Caroline##imported-
begin##Paige Turner##imported-end##*

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“ Our love and prayers are with you. We know that Gifford was greeted not only with the amazing love of our Father but with the love of his ever so precious mother and father. Gifford will always have a special place in the hearts of me, Kyle, Eugenia and Donnie Bodine. Gifford was there for me in the darkest time of my life during 1984, ensuring his cousin, a single mom with three children under 5 years old at the time, had all the groceries they needed. While he may have had other struggles at that time, the good and compassion in his heart remained ever present, ever caring and have never been forgotten. We love all of you very much and we always will.##imported-begin##Debby Miller Bodine and Frank Bodine##imported-end##

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“ NANCY,GIFFORD LEE,TAMMY,MATTHEW & FAMILY.WE WILL MISS GIFFORD GREATLY.I WILL FOREVER TREASURE THE MANY MEMORIES OF COMING IN THE STORE AT SODDY WITH GRANNY SCOTT AND GIFFORD COMING OUT OF HIS OFFICE TO GREET GRANNY AND MYSELF.GIFF WOULD SAY TO GRANNY "HEY AUNT MATT",AND SAID TO ME "HEY GAL".WE GREATLY APPRECIATED GIFFORD.BUT NOW HE IS WITH AUNT FRANCES,UNCLE TILL,GRANNY AND ALL THE OTHERS REJOICING.ALL OF YOU ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.WE LOVE YOU ALL.GOD BLESS YOU.##imported-begin##GLENN DIDIER & MICHELLE GILL - DIDIER##imported-end##

January 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Uncle Giff, when I think of you there are so many memories of you and my Daddy. It is such a blessing to know that you are no longer suffering and will live forever more in the arms of our Lord. Nancy, my heart goes out to you and the kids. God bless each one of you and may you find comfort in knowing he is where we will someday be...no pain-no sorrow. Love and God Bless, Traci###imported-begin##Traci (Fuller) Wheat###imported-end##

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“ My son and I were in Fuller's Place many times. I just lost my son Jan. 19 and wanted to tell you that I am so sorry for your loss. I pray that God will greatly comfort you during your time of sorrow.###imported-begin##Christine Reed (M0ther Of Gill Cronan###imported-end##

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“ I love you daddy and I always will. You will be deeply missed here on Earth, but I know you have gone Home to be with the Lord. No more pain!!!###imported-begin##Tammy###imported-end##

January 26, 2009 at 04:14 PM



“ Our prayers go out to the family and we will miss Giff greatly. He has been a true friend for so many years. We are blessed for having known him and will keep him in our hearts forever.###imported-begin##Doug and Judy Jones###imported-end##

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“ *My precious brother, you are already missed so much. I know you are rejoicing in your brand new Home. I know you have a new body - - no more pain, no more suffering, no more having such a hard time breathing. You are with YOUR LORD. I LOVE YOU!! I will see you again.##imported-begin##Connie S. Fuller Goins##imported-end##*

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