



## Gilbert Ray Brown

December 21, 1936 - February 11, 2024

Gilbert Ray Brown, 87-year-old resident of Gentry, Arkansas, died on February 11, 2024, at Northwest Medical Center in Springdale, Arkansas. He was born on December 21, 1936, in Portales, New Mexico, to the late George Washington Brown and Beulah Lorene (Sherrill) Brown. Gilbert began his career as a newspaper printer in Wichita Falls, Texas, followed by other jobs including a printer foreman for a sports layout in San Jose, California, and at Mercury News for 20 years. He was also a printer foreman for another sports layout in St. Louis, Missouri, from 1972 to 1975, for the Post Dispatch. He ran a prune orchard and dehydrator in Morgan Hill, California, and most importantly, he was the owner and operator of Brown's Transmission in Gentry, Arkansas. He enjoyed going to the casino, playing the lottery, and spending time with his family.

He is preceded in death by his parents, George and Lorene Brown; brothers, Galand Brown, Gordon Brown, Gary Brown, and Grant Thomas "Bill" Brown; and sister, Gloria Ann Helton.

He is survived by his son, Mark Brown and wife Ann Lee, of Gentry, Arkansas; grandchildren, Garrett Brown, of Gentry, Arkansas, Justin Brown and wife Tristan, of Portales, New Mexico, and Brandon Brown and wife Leslie, of Portales, New Mexico; great-grandchildren, Amber, Amy, Emma, Caden, Blyane, and Braylee Brown, of Portales, New Mexico; step-children, Judy

Branham, of Morgan Hill, California, Heidi Reid, of Bentonville, Arkansas, Tanja Palmer, of Rogers, Arkansas, Lori Woodward, of Rogers, Arkansas, and David Logan, of Gentry, Arkansas; sisters, Glenda Roberts, of Portales, New Mexico, Gaynell Conlon Brown and partner Larry, of Hermosa Beach, California, and Gala White and husband Kenny White Jr., of Pueblo, Colorado; brother, Gene Brown, of Corte Madera, California; sister in law, Marcia Whiting Brown; brother-in-law, Hal Helton; and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

No services are scheduled at this time. To sign the online guestbook, please visit [www.wassonfuneralhome.com](http://www.wassonfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall

LK

“ *Lisa King lit a candle in memory of Gilbert Brown*



Lisa King - February 17, 2024 at 07:17 PM

AH

“ *Oh, Gill. What a true loss. Gill was my mechanic from the time I started driving. He always made sure my vehicles were in tip top shape. There was always a pot of coffee on, and a listening ear in the shop. Gill had the biggest heart, and was always there to lend a helping hand. Gill will be greatly missed. Much love, the Howard family.*



Amber Howard - February 16, 2024 at 07:03 PM

 Marta Best

“ *You were a great man and you will be greatly missed... My condolences to the family. RIP Gil*



Marta Best - February 16, 2024 at 06:17 PM

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“ *Dear sweet man who helped me out at my lowest. Thanks for being my neighbor and friend.*

audie tyler - February 16, 2024 at 12:02 AM

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“ *Felicia Ward lit a candle in memory of Gilbert Brown*



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**Felicia Ward** - February 15, 2024 at 04:46 PM

PJ

“ *Phillip Kasper Jr. Flip*



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**Phillip Kasper jr.** - February 14, 2024 at 01:32 AM

LG

“ *Lynne Glass lit a candle in memory of Gilbert Brown*



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**Lynne Glass** - February 13, 2024 at 03:54 PM

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“ *Renea Ellis lit a candle in memory of Gilbert Brown*



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**Renea Ellis** - February 13, 2024 at 09:08 AM