



## Hugh Gibson

October 5, 1963 - December 5, 2021

Hugh Donald Gibson, 58 years of age, of Peebles, passed away on Sunday, December 5, 2021, at his residence.

Hugh was born on October 5, 1963, in Ottumwa, Iowa, the son of the late Gerald and Joanne (Fransdal) Gibson. Hugh was preceded in death by his parents and by a brother, Christopher Gibson. He is survived by his brother, Stephen Gibson, of San Diego, California.

Hugh graduated, with honors, from Kansas State University with Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Engineering. He accepted a position with General Electric upon graduation. He was recruited into General Electric's Manufacturing Management Program (MMP). He completed assignments while in the MMP with GE Aerospace, Fort Wayne, Indiana, and GE Medical Systems, Waukesha, Wisconsin. Upon completion of the MMP, Hugh took a Process Control Engineer position with GE Aircraft Engines in Evendale Ohio. Hugh's latest position was Process Control Engineer with GE Aircraft Engines in Peebles Ohio. Hugh completed 35 years of service with GE in 2021. He was highly respected for his work ethic, keen knowledge of the all engine types that he worked on, and his ability to assemble engine components, install the engine for testing, and to complete engine testing for both production and research and development efforts.

Hugh was avid outdoorsman. When not working at GE, he was either hunting or fishing. If a season wasn't open, he would be researching another species to hunt or catch. He took all aspects of those hobbies seriously. He was an

excellent marksman and skilled fisherman. He knew the equipment, techniques, and the locations and times of the year to pursue each species. Hugh also enjoyed cooking and delighted in seasoning and cooking the game he had taken. Through his hunting and fishing trips, many of which became annual events, he developed long term friendships and shared his passion for his hobbies with those friends.

Hugh felt strongly that wildlands and habitat should be preserved and maintained. To support habitat preservation, he was a contributing member of the following organizations: Duck Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a memorial donation in Hugh's name to any of the following: the American Heart Association, the American Cancer Society, or a charity or organization of individual choice.

Family and friends may pay their respects during visiting hours, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, on Thursday, January 6, 2022, at the Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home, in Peebles. A memorial service will follow at the funeral home, at 1:00 pm on Thursday, January 6, 2022, at the funeral home. Greg Seaman will officiate.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by the Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home. Please visit us at [www.wallacethompsonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.wallacethompsonfuneralhomes.com) to sign our online guestbook.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 6. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Wallace-Thompson Funeral Home  
119 Rarden Road  
Peebles, OH 45660

## Memorial Service

JAN 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

TF

“ I’m a better engineer and marksman from knowing Hugh. I worked with Hugh in Evendale and Peebles from 1998-2007 as a young engineer. Hugh was a true man’s man. if you had a mechanical problem to solve, he could design, build, test, and improve it... whether it was a complex jet engine assembly, a fishing rod, or modifying a rifle sight. He also graciously shared his expertise, so you could learn or in the case of food and drink, experience it too. He also had a culinary side too from fine wine to smoked salmon – he introduced me to the art of smoking salmon by letting me borrow his Little Chief Front Loader Smoker so I could share the tasty experience with my family. Thank you for the opportunity to know you. You will be missed!

Tom Forbes - January 06, 2022 at 10:34 AM

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LARRY F. KEGLEY - January 05, 2022 at 11:12 AM

LK

“ So saddened and surprised to hear of Hugh's passing. Enjoyed working with Hugh at Peebles; he made the time at work more enjoyable. The fishing trips to Dale Hollow were a blast. Hugh will be missed.

LARRY F. KEGLEY - January 05, 2022 at 11:06 AM

JB

“ I’ve had the pleasure of both working with Hugh and spending a ton of time outdoors with him. From North Carolina, to Ohio, Florida, and Virginia, we had a ball doing what he loved to do. Catching peacock bass in Miami to hunting “grinch dogs” in North Carolina, Hugh was so easy going (even when things weren’t cooperating)! My family and I will miss his sense of humor and intellect.

*Hugh was one of the smartest people I’ve ever been around who never got the credit he deserved. Could solve any problem and always kept calm in the process. In addition, had this laugh that I’ll never forget.*

*See you on the other side my friend!*  
*Jim Bratton*

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**Jim Bratton** - January 04, 2022 at 12:55 PM

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“ - Assembly and Test Engineering purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Hugh Gibson.



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**- Assembly and Test Engineering** - January 04, 2022 at 12:12 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Hugh Gibson.



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January 04, 2022 at 08:55 AM

FF

“ From The Wayne Fransdal Family purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of Hugh Gibson.



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**From The Wayne Fransdal Family** - January 03, 2022 at 07:33 PM

TL

“ I worked with Hugh in Evendale engine assembly and on many of his several visits to Durham while I was there in the late 90s. He was a frequent visitor to the house when he was in Durham on business.

*Of the many Great Gib stories my favorite occurred often in the six weeks I lived with him In Glendale when I returned back to Ohio from NC. I brought the family cat with me to live with Hugh while my wife and 2 year old stayed behind to sell the house in NC. Hugh knew Kitty well and liked to feed her some of our dinner meat or fish when he came and visited the house in NC. In his Glendale house, Hugh liked to tie up smoked salmon on a fishing line and cast the line across the living room while watching TV and reel it in to see the cat chase it. The cat caught some and didn't catch others but Hugh would always reward her for the effort and throw her a chunk. He would do this until the cat was tired of it.*

*RIP Great Gib! You will be missed.*

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**Tim Lindner** - January 03, 2022 at 12:06 PM

WF

“ Will Lovejoy & Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Hugh Gibson.



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**Will Lovejoy & Family** - January 03, 2022 at 10:55 AM

JG

“ I was saddened and shocked to hear about Hugh. In addition to his parents, Hugh also lost a brother Christopher in 2016 to cancer. I will miss Hugh terribly. Julie Gibson, Sister in Law.

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**Julie Gibson** - December 29, 2021 at 01:24 PM

JG

Thinking of you, Huey And missing both you and Chris❤️❤️

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**Julie Gibson** - December 29, 2023 at 11:25 AM

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**Jim Gayer** - December 18, 2021 at 05:20 PM

JG

“*Hugh and I shared apartments during our post-college "roaring 20's". We both landed jobs with GE out of college and were sent to Ft. Wayne Indiana. We lived together for another five plus year until I got married. Hugh was the Best Man at my wedding, but was more like the brother I never had.*

*He had a passion for life, especially for hunting and fishing. He taught me how to fish which is a life-skill I have been able to pass down to my children. For that I will always be grateful.*

*Hugh also developed a passion for learning about wine, grilling, and smoking. One of the most memorable meals in my life included smoked pheasants which he shot on one of his hunting trips back home.*

*I imagine he is on some lake in heaven landing another monster of a fish or trading opinions about the subtle nuances of a bold red wine being served at a dinner party.*

*Cheers my friend!*

*Jim Gayer*

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**Jim Gayer** - December 18, 2021 at 05:16 PM

JR

*Thank you for sharing as we grieve the loss of a good man.*

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**jamie ammerman rindt** - December 18, 2021 at 09:07 PM

JS

“*Hugh was a great friend and one of the most knowledgeable people i have ever known on the great outdoors. Hugh was one of the crew that went fishing every spring on Dale Hollow lake and boy did we have fun. Peebles test site will miss him dearly on his dedication and engineering, RIP my friend Joe Sarbell*

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**Joe Sarbell** - December 14, 2021 at 12:33 PM