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In Loving Memory Gary D. Gibson 1942 ~ 2023

Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. Sunday, April 23, 2023 St. John's Lutheran Church Tyndall, South Dakota Dave Bergquist ~ instrumental prelude Melissa Bruna ~ organist Just As I Am Without One Plea

> Funeral 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 24, 2023 St. John's Lutheran Church Tyndall, South Dakota

Clergy Pastor Dean Schroeder

Music Rachael Starwalt ~ pianist

Congregational Hymns For All the Saints On Eagle's Wings Lift High the Cross

In the Garden Precious Lord Take My Hand Kathy Koenig and Kim Soukup ~ vocalists Dave Bergquist ~ accompanist

Pallbearers Joshua Toupal, Noah Gibson, Cameron Schiltz, Ryan Schiltz, Tyler Dockendorf, Levi Dockendorf, Jess Gibson, Bryce Dockendorf

> Honorary Pallbearers Granddaughters and Great-Grandchildren

> > Interment Tyndall City Cemetery

Gary Dean Gibson was born January 19, 1942 to Ernest and Jannatta (Uken) Gibson in Wagner, SD. He was baptized and confirmed in Avon. Gary attended country school in Charles Mx County, went to Wagner Hgh School and graduated from Gayville Hgh School in 1960. That is where he met his high school sweetheart, Linda Olson. Gary married Linda, August 15, 1961 in Holland, MN They were blessed with five children, Debra, Brenda, Kevin, Brian and Brad. They moved to Vermillion where Gary went to college while working and playing with the Sonic Band.

In 1963 they moved to Avon where Gary continued to pursue his music career, settling in Tyndall in 1965. Gary opened and operated a music store in Tyndall, called Gibson's Music Center. Alongside his business, he booked bands for the Holiday Inn Circuit and played for several other bands, including Mike Day Orchestra, Lucky Stars, Dakota Wind, Dakota Express, Don Cavett Orchestra, Classics, Meltones, Yesterdays, Crossfire and Tyndall Accordion Qub. Gary also sold insurance for Prairie States Life and had other various sales jobs. Gary loved doing fundraising for the food pantry and other organizations. One of the last fundraisers he hosted was for the Delmont tornado victims.

In 2006, Gary started the Bumble Bees which he was most proud of. They recorded a CD in 2011. The band performed often at the Dakota Theatre, Amphitheater in Yankton and in many holiday and variety shows. The band also performed at many casinos in the tri-state area. Gary was very proud to be inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in 2015. Gary entered the Good Samaritan Center in 2015, where he passed away April 18, 2023 at the age of 81 years.

Gary is survived by his wife, Linda of 61 years; daughters; Debra (Greg) Schiltz and Brenda (Del) Dockendorf; sons, Kevin Gibson, Brian (Shannon) Gibson and Brad Gibson; grandchildren, Jennifer Brown (Travis), Bobbi Smock (Josh), Cameron Schiltz (Allie), Ryan Schiltz, Joshua Toupal (Christina), Bryce Dockendorf (Jessica), Tyler Dockendorf (Chelsea), Levi Dockendorf (Lexie), Breanna Kniffen (Mason), Krystal Williams (Doug), Nbah Gibson (Lizzy), McKenna Bender (Dillon), Ashten Gibson, Jess Gibson, Roydaine Wolfe, Victoriah Wolfe, Leo WhiteEyes, Irelynn Gibson and Emelynn Gibson; greatgrandchildren, Schuylar, Savannah, Tavin Morrow, Robert, Rose, Michael Smock, Jackson Schiltz, Jhett Toupal, Chase, Keelan, Deason, Brykkun, Zaykken, Tayin, Axtyn Dockendorf, Cooper, Jack, Sunny Dockendorf, Aubry, Asher Williams, Austin, Nash, Isaac, Memphis, Lex, Leo, Lila, Lily, Tywin, Daniel Gibson and Ellie Bender and brotherin-law, Glen Jerke.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Wilma Olsen, Betty Grimme, Verma Jerke; brothers, Charles Gibson, Norman Gibson; mother-in-law, Vera Olson; father-inlaw, Marvin Olson; brothers-in-law, Andre Olson, Herb Olsen, Fred Grimme and sisterin-law, Shirley Gibson.