



Dale Gilbert

August 1, 1942 - March 26, 2024

Dale Robert Gilbert Sr., age 81, of Rapson, Michigan passed away at home while under Hospice care on Tuesday March 26, 2024..

Dale was born on Aug 1, 1942 to Kenneth and Rose (Rumptz) Gilbert. He grew up on his parents' farm in Rapson. On November 25, 1972 he married Marilyn Messing at St John's Chrysostom's Catholic Church in Forestville.

In his earlier career, Dale worked road construction and at Harbor Beach Community School's transportation department. He completed his career and retired from the Huron County Road Commission. Dale was an active member of the Knights of Columbus for over fifty years.

He was a member of the Bishop Babcock General Assembly where he served as scribe for almost forty years. Dale enjoyed classic cars and was often seen at car shows with his 1979 Hurst Oldsmobile. He was a great man and will be missed more than words can say. His memory will be kept alive and cherished by his family and friends..

Dale is survived by his wife of 51 years, Marilyn, and four loving children: Darin (Marsha) Gilbert of Macomb, Dwayne (Kathleen) Gilbert of Bay City,

Jamie Lynn Gilbert (Joshua Tynch) of Raleigh NC,
and Dale (Andrea) Gilbert Jr. of Clinton Township. Dale also has seven
grandchildren: Jacob (Britney) Nephew and Nathan Nephew (Allison Vlk),
Madelyne and Dylan Gilbert, Alexis, Emily and Joseph Gilbert and two great
grandchildren Briar and Beau Nephew.. In addition, he leaves behind his in-
laws Jean Messing, Thomas Messing, Earl Messing, Fred Messing, Wayne
(Yvette) Messing, Brenda Dopkowski, and Gale (Anne) Messing.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents Kenneth and Rose Gilbert, his
infant brother
Richard Gilbert and his infant twin sisters Mary and Shirley Gilbert, mother
and father-in-law Wilfred
and Lylan Messing..

Funeral Mass for Dale will be Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 11:00 AM at St Hubert
Parish - St Joseph
Catholic Church in Rapson, with Fr. TJ Fleming officiating. Burial will follow at
St. Joseph Catholic Church Cemetery. Visitation for Dale will be Monday, April
1, 2024 from 3 – 8 pm at the Kaufman Funeral Home in Bad Axe or Tuesday
at the church from 10 am until the service time at 11 am.. Knights of Columbus
and Daughters of Isabella rosary will take place at 6:30 PM followed by a
chalice service at the funeral home on Monday, April 1, 2024.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to McLaren Hospice
nurses Jean and Kim for
their care and compassion..

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Church Cemetery

Rapson, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 1. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kaufman & Co. Funeral Home, Inc.
84 Westland Dr
Bad Axe, MI 48413
(989) 269-3000
kaufmanfuneralhome@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus / Daughters of Isabella rosary service at 6:30 pm to be followed by a chalice service

Visitation

APR 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Hubert Parish-St. Joseph Catholic Church
3455 Rapson Rd.
Rapson, MI

Funeral Mass

APR 2. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Hubert Parish-St. Joseph Catholic Church
3455 Rapson Rd.
Rapson, MI

Tribute Wall

AR

“ *Ann Kennedy Richter lit a candle in memory of Dale Gilbert*



Ann Kennedy Richter - April 02, 2024 at 01:32 PM

DW

“ *David W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dale Gilbert.*

David W. - April 01, 2024 at 10:37 AM

DW

“ *David W. purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Dale Gilbert.*



David W. - April 01, 2024 at 10:37 AM

WY

“ *Wayne & Yvette planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dale Gilbert.*

Wayne & Yvette - March 31, 2024 at 11:37 AM

WY

“ Wayne & Yvette purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Dale Gilbert.



Wayne & Yvette - March 31, 2024 at 11:37 AM

CD

“ Cam, Justin, Kimberly, Erica, Debra planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dale Gilbert.

Cam, Justin, Kimberly, Erica, Debra - March 31, 2024 at 12:18 AM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Dale Gilbert.



March 31, 2024 at 12:18 AM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Dale Gilbert.



March 28, 2024 at 06:31 PM

FO

“ *Vivat Jesus WPGK &FFN Dale Sr. May you rest in Peace. God bless the entire Gilbert Family in their time of grief.*



Frank Oldani - March 28, 2024 at 01:47 PM

NM

“ *NC State Student Media purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dale Gilbert.*



NC State Student Media - March 28, 2024 at 11:50 AM

NM

“ *NC State Student Media planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dale Gilbert.*

NC State Student Media - March 28, 2024 at 11:50 AM

SF

“ *Sincerely, Your Apex Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dale Gilbert.*

Sincerely, Your Apex Family - March 28, 2024 at 10:04 AM

SF

“ Sincerely, Your Apex Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Dale Gilbert.



Sincerely, Your Apex Family - March 28, 2024 at 10:04 AM

ZO

“ Zeb, Catherine, Connor and Owen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dale Gilbert.

Zeb, Catherine, Connor and Owen - March 27, 2024 at 09:11 PM

ZO

“ Zeb, Catherine, Connor and Owen purchased the Heavenly Heights Bouquet for the family of Dale Gilbert.



Zeb, Catherine, Connor and Owen - March 27, 2024 at 09:11 PM

BB

“ Beth Braun purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Dale Gilbert.



Beth Braun - March 27, 2024 at 09:01 PM

TF

“ The McCoy Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dale Gilbert.

The McCoy Family - March 27, 2024 at 08:47 PM

TF

“ The McCoy Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Dale Gilbert.



The McCoy Family - March 27, 2024 at 08:47 PM

JB

“ So glad that my husband Joe and I were able to attend the 50th anniversary party. Joe was best man at the wedding. Joe passed away last September.
Julie Benzie



Julie Benzie - March 27, 2024 at 08:03 PM

CS

“ Christine & Paul Stover purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Dale Gilbert.



Christine & Paul Stover - March 27, 2024 at 06:55 PM



“ 8 files added to the album *Memories of Dale*



Jamie Gilbert - March 27, 2024 at 06:23 PM