



Gilbert "Gib" Ray Haywood

September 8, 1937 - April 10, 2026

Gilbert "Gib" Ray Haywood, 88, of Mineral City peacefully passed away Friday April 10, 2026 at his home surrounded by family.

Born September 8, 1937 in Mineral City to Paul and Opal (Mullis) Haywood.

He attended grade school in Mineral City and went to junior high and high school in Bloomfield.

In 1954 he graduated from Bloomfield High School and went to work in his dad's law office. In 1955 he graduated from Milo Bennett Linotype trade school, there he mastered the art of operating a linotype machine and performing all maintenance on it. He worked in Danville and Shelbyville before coming to the Shoals News in 1956.

In 1959, June 14, he married the love of his life, Phyllis Stevens of Dover Hill and they started their life's journey. They shared 66 years and 10 months of a wonderful life. They became the very proud parents of three sons and one daughter, which Gib said became number one in his life.

Gib was active in WRVAA print shop until his health no longer allowed. He loved riding motorcycles; his longest trip was to the rally in Sturgis South Dakota. He worked at many newspapers and print shops all over Indiana

before ending his career at Naval Surface Warfare Center in Crane.

He was a member of the Mineral Methodist Church, White River Valley Antique Association, Greene County Historical Society and AARP.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Phyllis, his three children, Dee Haywood, Matt Haywood, Joe Haywood and his beloved dog, Boone.

Gib was preceded in death by one son, Steven Ray Haywood, two brothers, Philip Haywood, Fred Haywood and his parents.

Graveside services will be held at 1:30 P.M. on Tuesday April 14, 2026 at Walnut Grove Cemetery.

The family ask any memorial donations in Gib's name be given to Greene County Humane Society.

Online condolences and memories can be shared at www.jenkinsfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Walnut Grove Cemetery

Walnut Grove Road
1458 S. Walnut Grove Road
Bloomfield, IN 47424

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR 14. 1:30 PM (ET)

Walnut Grove Cemetery
Walnut Grove Road
1458 S. Walnut Grove Road
Bloomfield, IN 47424

Tribute Wall

SP

“ Gilbert was such a kind and caring, good man. My earliest memory of him was when I was a little girl and he let me sit on his motorcycle! I loved when he would stop for a visit at my Mom's when I was there. He will be missed. Love and prayers to Phyllis and their children.

Scarlet Phillips - April 30 at 11:44 AM

CH

“ Candis Hayes-Jackson lit a candle in memory of Gilbert "Gib" Haywood



Candis Hayes-Jackson - April 18 at 11:20 PM

JS

“ Joe & Bonnie Summers lit a candle in memory of Gilbert "Gib" Haywood



Joe & Bonnie Summers - April 15 at 08:37 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Tribute Wall 2



Lester Jenkins and Sons Funeral Home Inc. - April 15 at 11:05 AM

PH

Gib always said, Dog spelled backwards was GOD.

Phyllis - April 19 at 09:12 AM

MM

“ We are very sorry to hear of Gib's death. Mike enjoyed getting to know him at Crane. He was a great man. Phyllis, I hope you are doing well and find comfort in knowing that Gib is now where we all hope to go when it's our time to leave this earth.
Mike and Mary Mangin

Mary Mangin - April 15 at 08:53 AM

BD

“ To Gib's family I love you all so much. You were blessed with Great Dad. I pray you find peace in God's arms.

Becky and Alan Duchacek - April 14 at 10:18 AM

NB

“ Dee and family- You have my heartfelt condolences. The great memories will stay with you and will be very comforting.

Nancy Brinson - April 13 at 10:16 PM

VK

“ So sorry to hear of this
Prayers to the family
Great guy....last of " The Crew"

Vanessa Karl - April 13 at 05:00 PM

RC

Phyllis & Dee, I'm so very sorry for your loss. Gib was truly a wonderful man and will be deeply missed.

Keeping you both in my thoughts and prayers—sending love and hugs.



Robin Cooper - April 14 at 08:38 AM