



## Mrs. Martha Ella Gibson

August 12, 1936 - June 8, 2026

Mrs. Martha Ella Gibson, 89, of Peoria, IL, passed away at 4:48 pm on Monday, June 8, 2026 at The Loft of Peoria Nursing Home.

Martha was born on August 12, 1936 in Pulaski, IL to Frank and Mary (Lilly) Shird. She married Curtis Gibson until his passing on November 9, 1973. Seven years later, she married Lynne Collins.

Martha was a homemaker for many years. Her first husband, Curtis did not want her to work and she was satisfied with taking care of her children. Martha was a member of a Baptist church in Pulaski, IL while living with her parents. She often told the story of how she had to go to church as a child. That was a custom at the time that all the grandchildren had to go to church particularly when they visited their grandparents for the summer.

Martha loved to cook; and a great cook she was. Family and friends would come just to eat her good home cooked meals. She loved good music, cookouts, family get-togethers and family reunions. Martha worked in her later years and retired from Methodist Hospital in Peoria, IL.

Martha leaves to cherish her most precious memories, four sons, LaDell Gibson, Mark (Eileen) Gibson, Keith Gibson all of Peoria, IL, Lynne (Ryan) Collins of AZ; four daughters, LaWanda (Bishop Brooks) Gibson Freeport, IL,

Carole Gibson of Houston, TX, Terry (Michael) Harris of Peoria, IL and Tuesday Gibson of Peoria, IL; four sisters, Frankie Harris, Connie (Eddie) Lovett all of Peoria, IL, Madora (Clement) Green of Jacksonville, NC and Shirley (Dyre) Moland of Stone Mountain, GA; twenty grandchildren; forty-two great grandchildren 9 great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins other relatives and friends including special friends. She is preceded in death by her parents, her first husband, Curtis Gibson, Sr.; two sons, Curtis Gibson, Jr and Tony Curtis Gibson; two brothers and seven sisters.

Funeral services will be held at 11 am on Thursday, June 18, 2026 at Sovereign Grace M.B. Church with a visitation one hour prior at 10 am. Pastor Alvin Riley, Sr. will officiate and Pastor LaWanda Gibson-Brooks of First Church International Cathedral, Freeport, IL will bring forth the eulogy. Martha will be laid to rest at Lutheran Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be shared at [SimonsMortuary.com](http://SimonsMortuary.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Lutheran Cemetery

914 S Pleasant St  
Peoria, IL 61604-5954

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sovereign Grace M.B. Church  
1505 W. Martin Street  
Peoria, IL 61605

## Funeral Service

JUN 18. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

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1505 W. Martin Street  
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# Tribute Wall

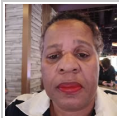


“ *Simons Mortuary created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Martha Ella Gibson*



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**Simons Mortuary** - June 17 at 06:24 PM



*Mot was like a auntie to me I been around the family all my life Connie is my sister n law thru marriage so that's makes me family you will truly be missed mot rest in paradise love you*

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**Delores Jackson** - June 17 at 10:45 PM



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Martha Ella Gibson*



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**Simons Mortuary** - June 17 at 02:47 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Burial at Lutheran Cemetery*



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**Simons Mortuary** - June 22 at 01:28 PM

MB

“ *Our Condolences~ The Bryson Family God Bless*



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**Margaret Bryson** - June 17 at 09:03 AM

FL

“ *From, Lowell Lilly purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Martha Ella Gibson.*



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**From, Lowell Lilly** - June 16 at 11:13 PM

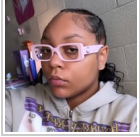
MP

“ *Mancy Pittman sent a virtual gift in memory of Martha Gibson*



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**Mancy Pittman** - June 16 at 12:11 AM



“ Love you auntie  always and forever

Ayanna Bowel - June 15 at 10:30 PM

WF

“ Prayers and condolences

Wayne Gray and family - June 15 at 01:24 PM



CW

“ Condolences from Charles Weldy and Family  
God Bless



Charles Thomas Weldy - June 13 at 04:19 PM

CE

“ To Tuesday and all of your family, so sorry to hear about the passing of your mother, Ms. Gibson was always nice to me when we were growing up and when I came to visit.....may she rest in peace   


Cubie Evans - June 13 at 02:37 PM

AT

“ Lynn I know how much you love your mom and she will be greatly missed. Prayers to you and your family. Love Angie

Angie Thompson - June 12 at 10:59 PM

“*Resolution of Respect for the Family of the Late Mrs. Martha Ella Gibson*

*To The Family of the Late Mrs. Martha Ella Gibson*

*And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; And there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, Neither shall there be any more pain. For the former things are passed away. Revelation 21:4*

*God hath not promised skies always blue,  
Flowers-strewn pathways all our lives through.  
God hath not promised sun without rain,  
Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.  
But God hath promised strength for the day,  
Rest for the labor, light for the way,  
Unfailing and undying Love.*

*We the Pastor and members of Grace Baptist Church, Peoria, Illinois, wants the family to know that our hearts are with you in the passing of your loved one. You have our sincere prayers.*

*“Wait on the Lord, be of good courage and He shall strengthen your heart.”*

*Psalm 27:14*

*Humbly Submitted*

*GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH*

*405 N. Richard Pryor Place*

*Peoria, IL 61605*

*PASTOR CLAUDE L. WHITE JR., PHD.*

*ALNEIDA FORD, CHURCH SECRETARY*

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**grace mbc** - June 12 at 03:50 PM

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“ *Miss Gibson was a mother to all loving, but definitely would put us all in our place she was one of the mothers in Pierson Hills that shared much love during our growth rest in peace love you!* ”

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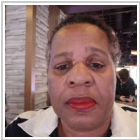
**Denise Porch** - June 12 at 07:44 AM

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“ *Carol, so sorry to hear about the passing of your Mom. She was always so very nice to me, always smiling, always happy. May she rest in peace. Saying a prayer for you and your family.* ”



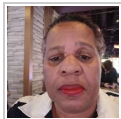
**Debra Standley** - June 12 at 07:31 AM



“ *Delores Jackson lit a candle in memory of Martha Gibson* ”



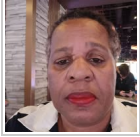
**Delores Jackson** - June 11 at 02:22 PM



*My condolences to the family of Martha (Mot) u will truly be missed I love all of yall dearly rest in paradise until we meet again*

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**Delores Jackson** - June 18 at 10:24 AM



“ *Mot as I called was my family not by blood but by love my auntie to me will truly be missed but never forgotten rest in paradise until we meet again*

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**Delores Jackson** - June 11 at 02:21 PM