



## Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap

December 31, 1938 - July 24, 2017

Elden "Whitey" Glenn Gilstrap, 78, passed away July 24, 2017.

A native of Spartanburg County, son of the late Wesley Glenn and Vivian Roddy Gilstrap, he was a Spartanburg business owner of A-1 Gun & Pawn and A-1 Amusement/A-1 News for over 30 years. He was an avid fisherman and hunter and placed 2nd in the World Championship Carp Tournament in Upstate New York. He was a one of a kind dad and papa and was known as Dr. Carp to all who knew him. Mr. Gilstrap was of the Baptist faith.

He was a very special husband of 58 years to his wife, Betty Brown Gilstrap of the home. Also surviving are two sons, Steven Glenn Gilstrap (Amy) and Mark Wesley Gilstrap all of Spartanburg; two daughters, Venita Jean Gilstrap of the home and Teressa Anne Brock (Roger) of Marion, North Carolina; two brothers, Galen Gilstrap (Patti) of Connecticut and Dale Gilstrap (Brenda) of Spartanburg; and six grandchildren, Darren Wilson, Haley Gilstrap, Alison Gilstrap, Wesley Wykel, Brannon Gilstrap and Maria Smith.

Mr. Gilstrap was predeceased by a sister, June Feeney.

Funeral services will be held 2:00 p.m. Saturday, July 29, 2017 at The Wood Mortuary, conducted by Rev. Todd Buchner. Burial will follow in Wood Memorial Park.

Visitation will be held 6:00-8:00 p.m. Friday, July 28, 2017 at The Wood Mortuary.

The family is at the home.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association, 156 Milestone

Way, Suite A, Greenville, SC 29615.

Online condolences may be made at [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Wood Memorial Park

863 Gap Creek Road  
Duncan, SC 29334

# Previous Events

## Service

JUL 28. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Wood Mortuary, Inc.  
300 West Poinsett Street  
Greer, SC 29650  
(864) 877-3351  
woodmortuary@bellsouth.net

## Service

JUL 29. 2:00 PM (ET)

THE WOOD MORTUARY CHAPEL  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *The Wood Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap*



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**The Wood Mortuary** - July 28, 2017 at 09:12 AM



*God Bless your all Terresa. I love you so much.*

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**Angie Buchanan** - August 15, 2017 at 11:23 AM

VB

*Betty and family, I am so sorry for your loss. I always loved your family.*  
*Vicki Blackwell*

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**Vicki Blackwell** - August 28, 2017 at 09:09 PM

BU

*Awesome tribute to a great man*

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**Buck** - February 02, 2019 at 11:02 PM

PB

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time and may God comfort you during these days and the days to come.*

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**Paula Brewster** - July 29, 2017 at 07:07 AM

LG

“ Due to circumstances beyond my control, I wasn't able to be there tonight. Please know I am thinking of and praying for the whole family. Elden was like a second dad to me growing up. I spent as much time at your house as I did mine. He is feeling no more pain now so I say he is the lucky one. God bless you all. Teresa get in touch with me before you go back home.



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**Lori Gosnell** - July 28, 2017 at 07:21 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap.



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July 28, 2017 at 01:17 PM

CC

“ Dear Mark and family,  
I was so sorry to hear of the passing of your father! May God give you and your family the strength, comfort and peace you need during this most difficult time. You all are in our thoughts and prayers. If we can do anything for you please don't hesitate to call!  
Sincerely,  
Chuck and Shannah Chism

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**Chuck and Shannah Chism** - July 28, 2017 at 11:35 AM

CC

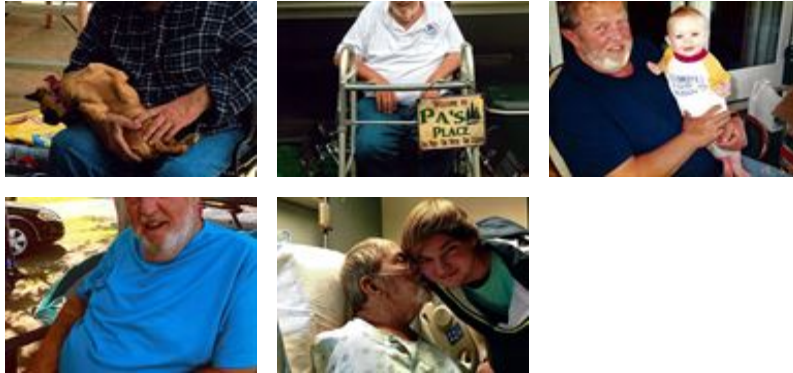
“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family

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**Chuck and Shannah Chism** - July 28, 2017 at 11:32 AM



“ 35 files added to the album Life Tributes



The Wood Mortuary - July 28, 2017 at 08:57 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
I will miss you a lot.  
Sandy Smith.



Sandy Hampton - July 27, 2017 at 05:11 PM

DB

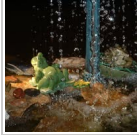
“ Sorry for your loss. He was a great man and a great friend to me  
and my family.

Dustin Britt - July 27, 2017 at 12:10 PM



“ You will be missed dearly...gone but never forgotten...I will be  
saying prayers for the whole family ...sorry for your loss...but  
Heaven gained another Angel...

Chasity Burnett - July 27, 2017 at 10:19 AM



“ *Cherylene Green lit a candle in memory of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap*



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**Cherylene Green** - July 27, 2017 at 09:45 AM

DH

“ *Dana Hunnicutt lit a candle in memory of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap*



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**Dana Hunnicutt** - July 27, 2017 at 09:21 AM

DH

*What wonderful memories I have with your family. You packed us up in the van , and we went to the mountains, always a joy to spend the night with Teresa and Venita at your house in Startex. P Laying foosball at your Mom's store on 500 , what a joy. Sundays with Betty at the movies, cause you had rather be fishing. Sometimes we would go to two shows. Betty was the love of your life, and your family was the best hands down !!!!! love and prayers to all.  
Love from a Startex Girl !!!!!!!  
Dana Hunnicutt*

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**Dana Hunnicutt** - July 27, 2017 at 09:32 AM

MB

“ *We are very sorry for your loss and our thoughts and prayers will be with your family.*

*Mark & Sandra Berry*



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**Mark & Sandra Berry** - July 27, 2017 at 08:50 AM

TM

“ Trisha, Ricky & Josh Mealor purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap.



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Trisha, Ricky & Josh Mealor - July 27, 2017 at 08:37 AM

HJ

“ H&F PERFORMANCE DOUG, KATIE JEFF purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap.



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H&F PERFORMANCE DOUG, KATIE JEFF - July 27, 2017 at 08:20 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap.



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July 27, 2017 at 08:19 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap.



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July 26, 2017 at 09:16 PM

LM

“ *Larry, Teresa, Erin, Brannon and Marian purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap.*



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**Larry, Teresa, Erin, Brannon and Marian** - July 26, 2017 at 08:44 PM

 Sharon Booker

“ *Sharon Booker lit a candle in memory of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap*



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**Sharon Booker** - July 26, 2017 at 08:07 PM

TH

“ *Teresa Harper lit a candle in memory of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap*



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**Teresa Harper** - July 26, 2017 at 07:36 PM

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*Love to all the family.....*

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**Teresa Harper** - July 26, 2017 at 07:37 PM

AG

“ Amy Gilstrap lit a candle in memory of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap



amy gilstrap - July 26, 2017 at 06:14 PM



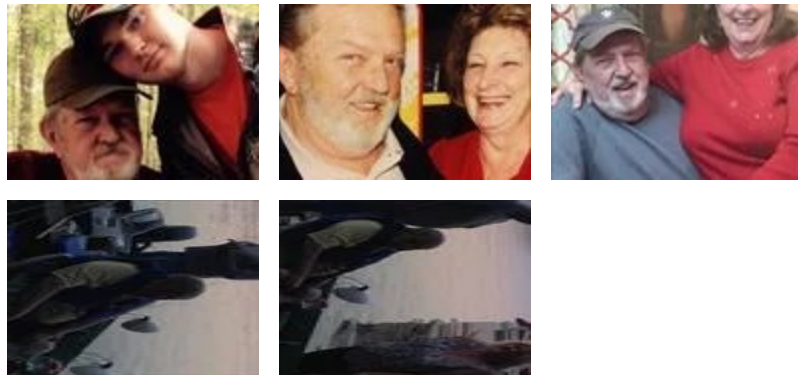
“ Walter Cooley lit a candle in memory of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap



Walter Cooley - July 26, 2017 at 06:08 PM

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“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



amy gilstrap - July 26, 2017 at 06:08 PM

MB

“ *Melissa Bennefield lit a candle in memory of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap*



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**Melissa Bennefield** - July 26, 2017 at 06:02 PM

DO

“ *Dawn And Luke Oliver lit a candle in memory of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap*



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**Dawn and Luke Oliver** - July 26, 2017 at 05:54 PM



“ *Kimberly George lit a candle in memory of Elden "Whitey" Gilstrap*



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**Kimberly George** - July 26, 2017 at 05:20 PM

MM

“ *Whitey has always been very special to Michael and I. always smiling and happy. a truly loving and special friend. I have all of you in our heart, and prayers. Catch that big one up there in Heaven, Whitey. We will see you again. RIP*

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**Michael and Kathy Miller** - July 26, 2017 at 04:43 PM