



## Richard R. Gibson

August 16, 1957 - December 28, 2018

Gibson, Richard R. Age 61. December 28, 2018. Loving father of Angelina (Daniel) Hasty and Richard (Shannon) Gibson. Grandfather of Mila Gibson. Dear brother of Beverly (Jerry) Klarr and Mary (Lee) Juntila. Also survived by in-laws William Michael White and Joanne White. Richard was a fun-loving, adventure-seeking family man that loved nothing more than his bike and children. He spent long days dutifully laboring over his newest creation in his wood shop, or making stunning recommendations on the next-best movie. Not to mention his passion for the 90's romantic comedies. He was a dog lover, a people person, and one of the most generous souls you'd ever meet. His fathering skills were unmatched. His imagination, loyalty and kind hearted spirit were an example to most. We will miss him dearly, and the world is dimmer without him here, but the heavenly father calls home one of his most pure Christian servants to the everlasting kingdom. Funeral service 11am Thursday, January 3, 2019 at the O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home 41555 Grand River Novi 248 348-1800. Family will receive friends Wednesday, January 2, 2019 from 3-8 pm at the funeral home. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be directed to Huntington Disease Society of America [click here to contribute][www.hdsa.org](http://www.hdsa.org) Expressions of sympathy [www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com](http://www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery

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## Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

25800 W 10 Mile Rd  
Southfield, MI,

# Events

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**JAN** **Visitation** 03:00PM - 08:00PM

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O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home  
41555 Grand River Avenue, Novi, MI, US, 48375

**JAN** **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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# Comments

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“ Rich worked as a mechanical design engineer at the US Army Tank-Automotive Research, Development, and Engineering Center (TARDEC) for 30 years.

I worked with Rich during his entire career at TARDEC, and was his supervisor for his last six years there. I'm very familiar with all the projects he worked on, and his design accomplishments. He was a very versatile engineer, and he worked on many different types of projects. Rich's designs helped the warfighters accomplish their missions more effectively, and with greater personal protection. Many of his designs were manufactured and ended up in the field, in the hands of the warfighter. I firmly believe his work contributed to the saving of American lives.

When computer-aided design (CAD) was introduced at TARDEC, Rich immediately saw its value. He quickly learned it and mastered it, and became one of the key go-to people. Rich personally created thousands of 3-dimensional CAD models and engineering drawings. I remember asking him many, many CAD-related questions and he always patiently answered them.

Rich took great pride in his work, and was committed to teamwork. His hallmarks were his initiative, diligence, can-do attitude, patience, and ability to work well with others. Rich always enjoyed sharing his knowledge and experience with others. Over the years, he trained and mentored many young engineers.

When he wasn't working, Rich enjoyed spending time with Angelina and Rick, his two children. He was very proud of them, and gave us co-workers regular updates about their progress in school and their careers. He also loved taking them out on Lake St. Clair in his SeaRay boat to go waterskiing and tubing.

I'll always remember Rich as being kind, patient, calm, even-keeled, and caring. He had a great sense of humor, and never took himself too seriously.

He will be missed!

Pete Pfister

**Peter Pfister** - January 02 at 01:21 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Angelina, Ricky, and your family. Rich and my husband, Kyle, worked together for years. We went to church with your grandparents, Mike and Joanna White. You guys were the light of Rich's life. May God's hand be upon you now and in the coming days. We were blessed to know Rich. A donation to Huntington Disease research has been made to eradicate this disease. God bless. Kyle and MeLeah Nebel



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December 31, 2018 at 12:34 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Richard R. Gibson.



December 30, 2018 at 11:44 AM