



## Alan Richard Gibson

February 9, 1954 - April 8, 2026

Rensselaer, NY

Alan Richard Gibson, Age 72, left this world peacefully, early Wednesday morning, April 8, 2026 at Albany Medical Center, surrounded by his favorite music and family, due to complications related to Parkinson's Disease.

Born to Douglas Crannell and Shirley Robins Gibson on February 9, 1954 in Albany, NY he grew up in Rensselaer the youngest of two sons. He attended Van Rensselaer High School. He was a carpenter who lived and worked in Rensselaer his whole life. On October 15th 1976, he married the love of his life Mary Eager Gibson and they raised 3 children together Mark, Kristina, and Jodi.

Alan was a kind, gentle and soft spoken man. He was always the first to ask how you were and inquire how your family and friends were doing. He liked to listen to music and the radio scanner but his favorite thing to do was spend time with his wife and soulmate, Mary. They often took long drives together and during their earlier years were frequent campers near Lake Champlain spending hours together sitting by the water. He and Mary enjoyed antiques and Alan was very proud of his coin collection. He had a fondness for dogs, books and holidays but especially Christmas, choosing the perfect tree each year. He had a sweet tooth all his life and during his time at The Grand

Rehabilitation and Nursing at Guilderland he regularly shared his sweet treats with friends and kind staff members.

Alan is survived by his children Mark (Julie) Gibson, Kristina (Josh) Howarth and Jodi (Nate) Gibson, and his three grandsons Eric (Nikki) Gibson-Reese, and Austin and Avery Gibson.

He is predeceased by his beloved wife Mary (2023), by his parents Douglas (2002) and Shirley (1992), and by his brother Doug (2020).

The family is planning a private service in his honor. Memorial donations may be made to Parkinson's Foundation: [www.parkinson.org](http://www.parkinson.org)

# Tribute Wall

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“ Alan was a longtime childhood friend. I spent many afternoons and evenings at his home on Lakeview Dr. in Rensselaer. God Bless you my friend and RIP.

Dwight

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**Dwight Cunningham** - April 23 at 07:10 PM

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“ Mark, Kristina and Jodi,  
My sincerest sympathies on your Dad's passing. Your Mom and Dad were good people. They were wonderful friends and neighbors to my Mom and stepdad (Dottie and Carl Walker). I hope you all have happy memories to comfort you now. Prayers to all of you.  
Claudia

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**Claudia Thornton** - April 12 at 08:56 PM

KG

“ My favorite memory is going to Lake Champlain with them and Josh.  
Also the father/daughter dance at my amazing wedding and all the swimming in the pool together and listening to music together  
I love you dad i miss you dearly

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**Kristina Gibson-Howarth** - April 10 at 03:37 PM

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“Daddy my greatest memory of you was watching you smile he was a great dad he was always there for me when I needed him my first break up he held me any comfort me and when I went through stuff a few years back and then my mom was there for me was it when I was going through something very rough but they held my hand and they were there for me and tell me that everything will be okay we had her up and down but our love never each other and the family was that always very strong we love taking rides together he loved taking rides and his old firebird and his bronco that he had we'd love to listen to music together we love to sit outside in a nice weather and read a book or a magazine we love watching TV we love to talk to one another we like to eat dinner together my family was very strong well and we loved each other very much and just know each and every memory that I have in my father and my mother I will hold very dearly I know that I love you both very very much and I'm going to miss you very very much

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Jodi - April 10 at 03:18 PM