

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there will be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things are passed away. And He that sat upon the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said unto me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful."

— Revelation 21:4-5



Interment

Cape Canaveral National Cemetery

5525 U.S. Highway 1, North Mims, Florida 32754

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In Appreciation

The Family of the late Rev. John Henry Gibson thanks each of you for your expressions of sympathy shown to them during their time of bereavement. We are grateful for friends like you. "May God continue to bless each of you" is our prayer!

We take solace in 1 Corinthians 2:9.....

*"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man,
The things which God has prepared for those who love Him."*

— The Family



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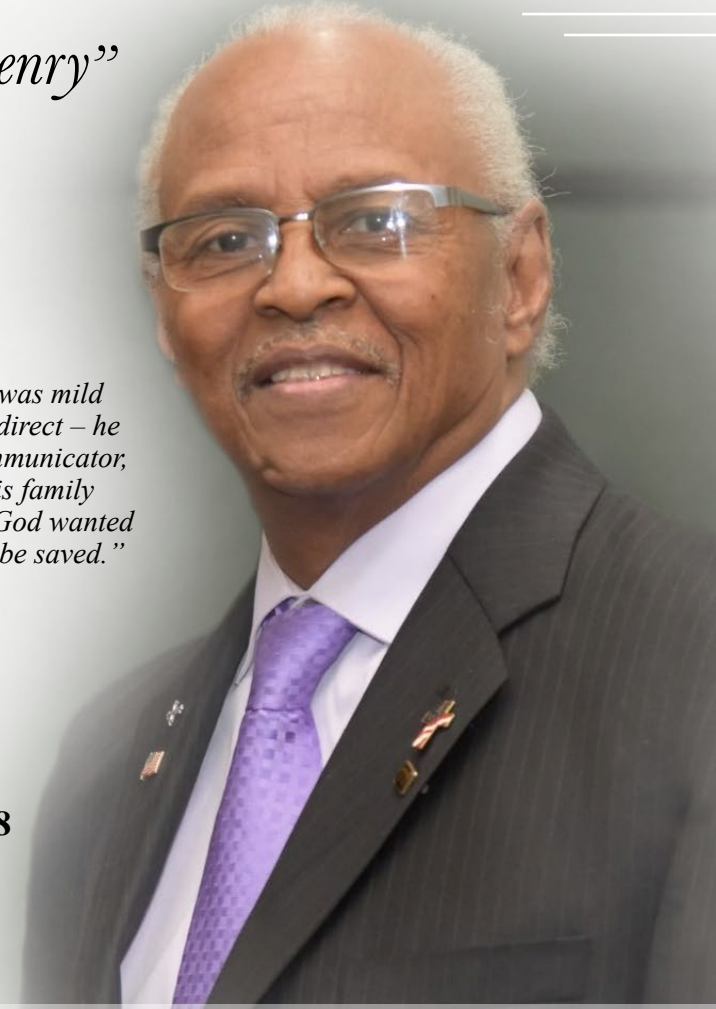
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“Yes, dear friends, we are already God’s children, and we can’t even imagine what we will be like when Christ returns. But we do know that when He comes we will be like Him, for we will see Him as He really is.” – 1 John 3:2

REVEREND

John Henry Gibson – “John Henry”



Born in New Iberia, Louisiana, **John Henry Gibson** was the third child of Willie and Joyce Gibson. He grew up in New Iberia, and went to Jonas Henderson High School, graduating in 1967. He initially attended the University of Southern Louisiana, but then decided to join the U.S. Navy, where he served for 4 years. He met his wife, Irene Derry in Japan, and they married in 1973. In the Navy his job was communications, but he also worked as a carpenter and offshore. John later also trained as a chef at the University of Houston.

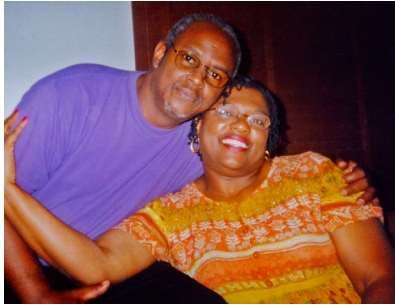
As they raised a family, John Henry and Irene eventually moved to Central Florida, where John worked at Disney World and the Orange Country Convention Center before he retired.

One thing that was especially important to John Henry, though, was his faith – God was his life, and he proved that by example. He was ordained as a minister in 1997, and was a published author, writing the book “*Preparing for the Rapture.*”

John Henry was mild mannered, but direct – he was a great communicator, and taught his family and others that God wanted EVERYONE to be saved. His presence commanded attention, but it was his love and patience that defined him as a great caretaker for his family, and a good father and husband.

John Henry was preceded in death by his **parents** – Willie Lent Gibson and Joyce Fontenette Gibson; his youngest **brother** – Jackie Ray Gibson; his **sister** – Patricia Ann Gibson; and his **brother** – Glen Allen Gibson.

Leaving to cherish great memories of John Henry: his **wife** – Irene Derry Gibson; his **sons** – John H. (Erin) Gibson, II, and Jamal M. (Jacqueline “Jackie”) Gibson; 6 **grandchildren** – Ilana, Jocelyn, Harper, Micah, Caleb, and Asher; his oldest **brother** – Willie Gibson, Jr., and his **sister** – Rose Mary Gibson (Michael “Mike”) Anthony; **mother-in-law** – Claretha Tolbert; **sister-in-law** – Vivian Singleton; and a host of **cousins, nieces, nephews**, other relatives, and many friends.



Order of Service for John Henry Gibson

Officiating

Dr. Leroy Rose, III

New Covenant Church Orlando
2210 South Rio Grande Avenue – Orlando, FL 32805

Music led by Minister Jarvis Brown

*Yet we have this assurance:
Those who belong to God will
live; their bodies will rise again!
Those who sleep in the earth
will rise up and sing for joy!*

– Isaiah 26:19 NLT

Processional Clergy and Family

Military Honors U.S. Navy Honor Guard

Opening Prayer

Lessons from Scripture Deacon Michael Anthony

Old Testament – *Ecclesiastes 3:1-11*

Brother-in-Law

New Testament – *Matthew 6:31-34*

Ministry thru Music Curtis Branson

[“Send Me, I’ll Go” as recorded by The Canton Spirituals]

A Special Tribute *[written by Michael Burke]*

Reflections *(Limit remarks to 2 minutes each, please)*
Open to Family and Friends

Ministry thru Music

Words of Comfort Dr. Leroy Rose, III

Committal Service and Closing Prayer

Recessional Clergy and Family

