



Ray Vyron Gibson

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Ray Vyron Gibson, 93, passed away April 6, 2016. Ray was born in Canutillo, Texas near El Paso on May 23, 1922. His family settled in Benson, Arizona where he graduated high school in June 1941. Ray entered college at the University of Arizona in the fall of 1941, however, after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Ray joined the Army Air Corp later to become the United States Air Force. Ray attended flight school, earning the rank of 2nd Lieutenant, and ultimately piloting 34 missions in a B-17 out of England to Germany in World War II. Ray was again called back into service during the Korean conflict. Ray achieved the rank of Captain before the conclusion of his military service.

Ray lived his civilian life having a successful cotton farming business, and retired from the Flowing Wells Irrigation District serving as Assistant Superintendent. He enjoyed golfing with his friends and later caring for his beloved miniature ponies and donkeys.

He is preceded in death by his father Vyron M. Gibson; his mother Gertrude B. Gibson; sisters Blanche Curtis, Thala Gibson and Ellanay Horton. He is survived by his son Roy (Jacqueline) Gibson; daughter Ann Gibson; 5 grandchildren, Erick (Christina) Gibson, Sandra (Virgil) Scherr, Joseph (Danyel) Romer, Isaac (Loni) Gastelum, Miguel Gastelum; 14 great grandchildren, Lauren, Gabriel, Taylor, Kaeden, Taylor, Morgan, Alyssa, Alexis, Ashlee, Braden, Britton, Ozscar, Kendra and Jude. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 23, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at Evergreen Chapel, 3015 N. Oracle Road, Tucson, AZ.




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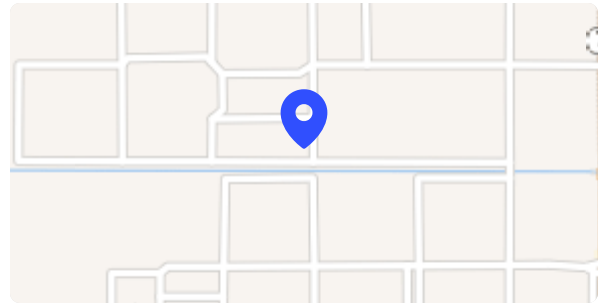
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Memorial Service

 **Saturday**, April 23, 2016

 1:00 PM MT

 **Evergreen Mortuary and Crematory**
3015 North Oracle Road, Tucson AZ 85705





Tribute Wall

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Hammett posted:

My thoughts and prayers go out to Ray's family...Ann, Roy, and Jacque. He was a great friend to me. I enjoyed spending Thanksgivings with Ray at Jacque and Roy's home. May Ray rest in peace.Doris Hammett

April 20 at 3:48 PM

PN

Patricia Nowatzki posted:

Ray was a wonderful neighbor and friend. Ray was truly a hero to all of us who live on Amapola Drive. We loved his stories and experiences in the Air Force, his sense of humor, his strength and his character. God Bless.Pat Nowatzki

April 14 at 6:55 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Ray by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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