

Eddie Joe Gilcrease

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Eddie and I was very close growing up , Paddled up and down the Bayou in our pirogue , Did so many other things together, As we became older had lots of fun with Eddie and Brenda , Eddie was always devoted to Brenda and his children . Memory of my brother Eddie will always be part of me and never erased , Eddie now is experiencing the happiness of Heaven.....

- Jimmie gilcrease

We are so sorry for your loss!! Our hearts are with you during this difficult time. We love you, my Sis, and will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers!

- Jean and Dusty Rhodes, Camden. Arkansas

Goodbye, my sweet-hearted brother. You will be missed by all who knew you.

- Novie Willis

He was the best grandpa in the world. We used to play poker all the time when I was a kid, and I lived with them on and off for years. We shared the same music tastes; every song he played on the radio, I absolutely loved. I remember when I was a kid, and he played 'Walk Right In,' and I just loved it so much; it made me so happy. We'd always talk about bands, music, the past, and old coins. He had so many coins he collected, and they were so cool. He was so fun to be around and such a positive person. He would always do things for anyone and never expect anything in return. He was an amazing grandpa and taught me so much. His favorite drink was root beer, haha, and he used to drive me to work all the time, and every time I'd always get him a root beer. I'm so blessed to have had such an amazing grandpa with such a kind and big heart, and I will cherish every memory I got to have with him for the rest of my life. Rest in peace, grandpa. My awesome grandpa. Love you so much, always and forever. You're with the Lord now, and I love you so much. Hugs.■■■

- Ariana Gilcrease

Fly high, little bird. You will be missed. My soul misses our little talks. I feel your connection even when I close my eyes. My love for you will never fade away. Oh, I miss you so dearly, my sweet old pal. I know this is late, but I wish I could hug you now. I miss all the things we used to dance and sing about. Time goes by too fast, but you, and only you, will always be in my heart. Fly high, little bird. I miss our little talks. I love you to the end, and time will never tell. One day, I'll hug you tight. Until then, just know that I will always love you till the end.

- Ari Gilcrease

My grandfather was not just an amazing and extremely funny person, but he was also a really nice and respectful person who would never betray you. He taught me basically everything I know today, and gave me the motivation I needed to get back into school. He was an amazing person and a really amazing person to his wonderful family. I wish I could have spent more time with him, and I was very lucky to have him in my life. I love you grandpa, may you rest in peace.”

- Matthew Gilcrease

I remember before I became a part of the family. Eddie would go to Millie burgers and buy me a hamburger, fries, and a drink. Right away he was very nice to me. Even after I wasn't part of the family any more. Eddie would be waiting outside when I was dropping off the kids. He would say, "how are you doing Michele?" Sometimes it would be just fine how are you, and other times he saw my tears. But he was my family 20 years. He saw my happy moments and he saw my sad, and you know what he still loved me. So I am grateful that I knew him. Grateful I had my kids in his family. I'm grateful I got to come to his funeral and see all of my family and laugh and cry. I'm grateful that Doug said, "Everyone here is family." I'm grateful I got to hug everyone and us be able to share that we loved each other. And I'm sorry when I was your family though at that time I didn't talk so much as I do now. But life changes and we grow. Moments are precious every moment. It would have been nice if those moments had lasted forever. I'm grateful I got to spend so many years in your family as I did, as well as have my precious kids. Life and love is precious never forget it. -Michele

- Michele Gilcrease

Sending Condolences to the family,if there is anything you need please let us know if we can help,Eddie loved his wife and family.and he was a good father to his kids and good grandpa to his grandkids they all felt that.May he rest in peace, always for now watching over his beloved family.until you meet in heaven again.God bless you all and comfort you.

- Earl and Jan Dixon

The way I see family and how good a man was like Eddie Joe Gilcrease is how it says so eliquently in the scriptures: “A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit; neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. “Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.” (Matt. 7:15–20.) Family is all of the branches from a tree. Some are born to the tree, some are grafted in, some break off. But true love never dies. The family grows as one good man who marries another like how Brenda and Eddie were married 52 years. Then they had three, and those 3 had more, and it's not the end those many will have many more. So we know the spirit of the man by his fruit. So great of love can never die because family will always be connected. I believe we chose our family and where we'd enter before we came to earth. There might be good days and bad days. I believe we should only see the good days, and learn from the bad days. But love and family are the most important. And I will always love you all you were my family, and are a

part of my family. My children came from that love. And I am very grateful. I will always remember the good times that we all shared. I will love all of you always no matter what , you are my family. Michele Gilcrease

- Michele Gilcrease

My sweet Eddie Joe, I can’t believe it’s been a year today since you left us to live forever with our Lord and Savior. I think of you every single day and night. I miss the simple day-to-day life we spent together in our house in Salt Lake. I miss seeing you in your reclining chair watching X-Files, Grimm and all your other Sci-Fi shows and how you used to hog the remote. I miss the oldies you used to play on your old boom box and your silly dance moves. I miss seeing you outside our kitchen window on the patio while you were deep in thought and smoking your cigarettes or listening to tapes on your Walkman. I miss the sound of your deep voice, your hugs and kisses goodnight and saying “I love you” before we went to bed. I miss your long, beautiful silver hair and beard. You were my handsome silver-haired fox. Most of all I miss having you by my side no matter what life threw our way. You were and always will be my hero. This has been the most difficult year of my life learning to live without you by my side. What keeps me going is the precious memory of our 52 years together and knowing you always loved me. You were a loving devoted husband and grandfather. Together we built a life and legacy of a beautiful family. We managed to raise three beautiful, smart and talented kids who married and gave us 14 beautiful smart and talented grandkids and 6 beautiful, smart and talented great-grandkids (and another on the way). We did great honey! I love and miss you and I look forward to seeing you one day in Heaven. Your Wife Always and Forever, Brenda

- Brenda Gilcrease