



J. Alan Gibson

September 20, 1963 - December 17, 2022

Alan lived his life among his family and friend in vivid color. He was a son, brother, uncle, and most of all a great friend.

Alan was gregarious, had a flamboyant personality, and made friends everywhere he went.

“Everyone who met Alan fell in love with him on the spot,” one friend said.

J. Alan Gibson died December 17, 2022, after a brave, long fight against cancer. He was 59.

Born September 20, 1963, in Tift County to the late Dan Gibson and the late Maxine Brickle Gibson, Alan grew up in Chula, Ga. , and graduated at Tift County High. He studied at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, Valdosta State College and Georgia State College earning a degree in fine arts.

Alan lived most of his adult life in middle Georgia.

He was an artist. He was a painter, potter and graphic artist. His artistic works reside across the United States and Europe.

Alan worked as a graphic designer for The Union-Recorder, Macon Magazine

and Macon Telegraph. He traveled the country redesigning Knight-Ridder newspapers before retiring.

He is survived by two brothers: Danny (Terri) of Macon and Brian (Judith) of Warwick, Georgia; and a sister, Dana, of Palmetto, Fla.; and his very close friend, Ronnie Peavy, and Ronnie's daughter, Kelli. He had six nieces and nephews and four great- nieces and nephews.

The family wishes to thank several special friends and caregivers who stood by Alan, helping and providing care as his physical body failed him, especially Ginger McCullough, Brian Burgamy, Colleen Peebles and Lejuana Maze.

A celebration of life will be held January 14, 2023, at the Peavy farm in Washington County, 3827 Smyrna Church Road, Sandersville, GA 31082 at 2 PM. Family and friends are invited to join.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 14.

Peavy Farm
Sandersville, GA

Tribute Wall

JM

“ You are a good soul Alan and I will truly miss you in this world.
Peace be with you my friend. Heaven is in for a real treat.

joel McLeod - January 21, 2023 at 11:50 AM

 Arlen
Goff

“ I first met Alan when I served as the minister of music at the church he attended in Chula, GA. I remember him there as a funny, always helpful, reliable member of both the adult and youth choirs. Later, when I moved back to Georgia after years away, we ran into each other here in Macon. I was so glad to see him again and we had several opportunities over the years to meet and catch up and share old memories. I became impressed by his artistic ability and his resilience in the face of all that he was facing in his life. I am grateful for all that he shared with us in his all-too-brief life and will hold him in blessed memory.

Arlen Goff - December 29, 2022 at 05:57 AM

EC

“ I have many special memories of laughter shared with Alan during his Telegraph days and after. I will always treasure the several pieces of art he did especially for me. Rest now in peace, dear Alan.

Emily Cook - December 25, 2022 at 05:06 PM

CJ

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Candy and family and Carolyn John's - December 22, 2022 at 10:19 AM

CJ

“ Alan was a sweet man good friend to us all he will be surely missed love you



Candy and family and Carolyn John's - December 22, 2022 at 10:14 AM

VT

“ Alan was always the life of the party! He lit up the room with his presence. I had the great opportunity to work with him at The Union Recorder many years ago, where we met and became lifelong friends, and I knew from the moment I met him that he was extraordinary. He was unlike anyone I had ever met or would ever meet again. He had a light inside him that shined so intensely that it radiated goodness and joy everywhere he went. I am honored to have been in his circle of friends. I will miss him dearly. The world will be forever changed without his footsteps being present. Goodbye my friend. My sincerest condolences to his family. Valerie Reid Thorpe



Valerie Reid Thorpe - December 22, 2022 at 10:05 AM

SB

Alan was such a fun person to be around. Love working with him at the Union Recorder and Macon Telegraph. Had such fun decorating the U-R with him. Be in peace dear friend!

Sheila Burgamy - December 22, 2022 at 11:55 AM

SB

“ Oh, sweet friend, I'm sorry to hear of your passing. Laura and I send you much love on your journey. Going to miss your sweet smile and positive attitude.

Steve Bell - December 21, 2022 at 08:31 PM

LS

“ Alan was a very talented and caring person. To know Alan was to love Alan. Rest in peace our dear friend.

Larry and Angela Spillers - December 21, 2022 at 07:45 PM

JK

“ Alan was a sweet loving soul. The last time I saw him I cut his hair and then we sat on the porch and talked. Glad I had that time with him. 🌈❤️👉 John Kilgore

John Kilgore - December 21, 2022 at 04:00 PM

CH

“ So sorry for your loss. Alan was a great friend,

Charles - December 21, 2022 at 12:45 PM

AS

“ I was so sorry to hear about Alan's death ! He was such a vibrant, full- of- life person —it's hard to imagine that he is no longer in this world. My deepest sympathy to Ronnie, Kelli, and his family.

Amelia Spillers - December 21, 2022 at 11:06 AM

SB

“ *Our hearts are broken to lose such a special person in our lives, but he fought the good fight and now he wears the crown of glory. Rest in peace, our precious friend. Sue Brack*

Sue Brack - December 21, 2022 at 09:06 AM

TV

“ *Please accept my deepest condolences for Alan's passing. I will keep the Gibson Family in my prayers. Tony*

Tony Varamo - December 21, 2022 at 07:00 AM

SP

“ *One of the joys of being publisher of The Union-Recorder was working with Alan. That smile! His creativity and talent! So grateful to have known this lovely man.*

Susan Patterson - December 20, 2022 at 09:40 PM

EB

“ *I worked with Alan at the Union-Recorder years ago, and found him to be a sincere, funny, genuine and pleasant gentleman. I am sorry to learn of his death and offer my condolences to his family and friends, of which I'm sure he had many!*

Eric Buckley - December 20, 2022 at 05:46 PM

GM

“ So sorry the world has lost a wonderful person and artist. I was able to work with Alan on a project at Georgia College, and he painted a mural in my kitchen when we built in 1994. When our house burned in 2007, I was able to salvage the part of the mural that had a dragonfly in it - my symbol on my business cards. I think of him every time i pass by it. Rest high, Alan. Gay Morgan



Gay H Morgan - December 20, 2022 at 03:56 PM

SA

“ Susie Anderson lit a candle in memory of J. Alan Gibson



Susie Anderson - December 20, 2022 at 03:26 PM