



## Jerry Layton Gilstrap

October 16, 1938 - July 9, 2016

Jerry Layton Gilstrap, 77, of Slater, passed away suddenly at his home July 9, 2016.

Born in Pickens, he was a son of the late Leroy "Roy" and Tommie Holcombe Gilstrap. He was raised by his loving grandparents, John Luther and Cora Chapel Gilstrap. Mr. Gilstrap retired from Slater Mill after forty-three years of service, and was a member of Slater Baptist Church.

Surviving are his wife of fifty-four years, Ellen Meece Gilstrap; one daughter Jerri Lynn Ward (Brian); two grandchildren: Emmalie and Ashlyn Ward, who were his pride and joy; one step-grandchild: Jordan Ward Buchanan; and one step- great-grandchild: Bradley Ward.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by one son: Dean Gilstrap; one brother: Brandon Gilstrap; and one sister: Guynell Poteat.

Funeral Services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, in The Howze Mortuary Chapel.

Burial will be in Mountain View Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimers Association, 301 University Ridge, Suite 5850, Greenville, SC 29601.

The family will be at the home.

Online condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.thehowzemortuary.com](http://www.thehowzemortuary.com)

The Howze Mortuary, Travelers Rest, is in charge of the arrangements. (864) 834-8051



# Cemetery Details

## Mountain View Memorial Park formerly Grand View Memorial Gardens

7 Duncan Rd.  
Travelers Rest, SC

# Previous Events

## Service

JUL 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary Chapel  
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369  
Travelers Rest, SC

# Tribute Wall



“ *Melena Hood lit a candle in memory of Jerry Layton Gilstrap*



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**Melena Hood** - July 14, 2016 at 04:55 PM



“ *Alvin and Billy Phillips: We are so sorry to hear of the passing of Jerry. Our prayers and thoughts are with all of you in this time of your loss. May God be with the entire family in this time of grieving. Alvin and I would be there with you however, Alvin is very ill and unable to go anywhere.. Our love and prayers will be with you.*

*Alvin and Billy Phillips*

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**Billy Phillips** - July 13, 2016 at 06:03 AM



“ *Ellen we love you all praying for you all*

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**Leogy aiken** - July 11, 2016 at 08:09 PM



“ *Lisa Reece lit a candle in memory of Jerry Layton Gilstrap*



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**Lisa Reece** - July 11, 2016 at 03:48 PM

LR

*So sorry to hear about jerry I worked with him a long time at slater*

**linda rochester** - July 11, 2016 at 06:25 PM



“ *Prayers for you sweet Ellen and your family, you were such a blessing to my dear Grandmother. Barbara Hinson Carter*

**Barbara Carter** - July 11, 2016 at 03:34 PM

SK

“ *So sorry to hear of Mr Gilstrap's passing! I was one of his Home Health Physical therapists. I always enjoyed going to see Mr Gilstrap and his wife! They were both a delight and a bright spot in my day. He will be missed and I will be praying for Mrs Gilstrap and his family !*  
*Stephanie Kelly*



**Stephanie Kelly** - July 11, 2016 at 02:07 PM

TB

“ *The Patton Family...Joe, Sue, John, Sharon, Brooke purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jerry Layton Gilstrap.*



**The Patton Family...Joe, Sue, John, Sharon, Brooke** - July 11, 2016 at 12:15 PM

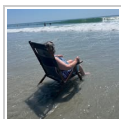
MS

“ *Martha Staton lit a candle in memory of Jerry Layton Gilstrap*



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**Martha Staton** - July 11, 2016 at 11:32 AM



*Ellen and Jeri Lynn you will remain in my prayers . I pray God will grant you peace and comfort in this time of sadness.*

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**Martha Staton** - July 11, 2016 at 11:36 AM

JG

“ *Janet Buchanan Gravely lit a candle in memory of Jerry Layton Gilstrap*



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**Janet Buchanan Gravely** - July 11, 2016 at 09:49 AM

Joyce  
Cothran

“ *Joyce Cothran lit a candle in memory of Jerry Layton Gilstrap*



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**Joyce Cothran** - July 11, 2016 at 01:15 AM

DV

“ *Layton's sweet smile and loving spirit will be missed. He always gave me a hug and told me he loved me. Praying for you all.*

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**Debra Vaughn** - July 10, 2016 at 09:08 PM

JC

“ *Janet Chandler lit a candle in memory of Jerry Layton Gilstrap*



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**Janet Chandler** - July 10, 2016 at 03:11 PM

JC

*So sorry for your loss.*

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**Janet Chandler** - July 10, 2016 at 03:13 PM

FP

“ *Frankie Pace lit a candle in memory of Jerry Layton Gilstrap*



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**Frankie Pace** - July 10, 2016 at 02:44 PM

MP

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Aunt Ellen, Jerri Lynn and Brian, Emmalie and Ashlyn and family. Uncle Layton was very special to me and I loved him from the time I was a little girl when Dean and I played together. He and my Dad, Junior, were close and I will never forget the fun times we had when our families got together over the years. I have wonderful memories of Uncle Layton telling stories from long ago and the way he could make my Dad laugh until happy tears streamed down his cheeks. They were best buddies and I was always happy to see Uncle Layton and Aunt Ellen pull in our driveway because I knew the next few hours together would be filled with joy and laughter. Uncle Layton will be dearly missed and to his sweet loving family I want you to know that I wish you comfort and peace in knowing that Uncle Layton is in the arms of Jesus now and I know my Dad is so happy to be with his buddy in Heaven. I love you all.

Love,

Marsha Patterson

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Marsha Patterson - July 10, 2016 at 02:15 PM