



## Francis "Buddy" Gilbert

October 2, 1927 - October 9, 2012

Francis "Buddy" Xavier Gilbert

Rayne - Funeral services will be held at Gossen Funeral Home Chapel, Friday, October 12, 2012 at 11:00 A.M. for Francis "Buddy" Xavier Gilbert, 85 who died Tuesday, October 9, 2012 at his home in Branch.

Interment will be in the Elizabeth Memorial Baptist Cemetery in Branch.

Surviving are his wife, Elaine Wyatt Gilbert; one son, Wyatt Gilbert and wife Diane of Branch, two grandchildren Ashlie Gilbert of Branch and Brandon Gilbert and wife Jessica of Lafayette; five great-grandchildren, Dax and Beau Moore, Tabitha Royer, Jackson Gilbert and Madlyn Gilbert; three brother-in-laws, Coy Wyatt and wife Estelle of Abbeville, Wayne Wyatt and wife Gloria of Rayne and Dr. Huey Wyatt and wife Sara of Georgetown, KY; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Wilson and Polly Guidry Gilbert.

He was born Sunday, October 2, 1927 in Rayne, LA, Son of the late Wilson Gilbert and the late Polly Guidry Gilbert.

He was a member of the 1944 Rayne High School State Champion Football Team and the SLI (UL) Track team from 1947-1949. He was a long time member and Deacon at First Baptist Church in Rayne.

Friends will be received 3:00 P.M. until 9:00 P.M., Thursday, October 11 and 8:00 A.M. until 11:00 A.M. Friday, October 12, 2012. at Gossen Funeral Home, Inc., Rayne, LA.

Friends may view the obituary and guestbook online at [www.gossenfuneralhome.net](http://www.gossenfuneralhome.net).

Arrangements have been entrusted to Gossen Funeral Home, Inc. of Rayne, LA, (337) 334-3141.

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Please accept my sympathy to the loving Wife, Son & all the dear Family & Friends in the painful loss of your dearly loved Francis "Buddy" He will be sorely missed by all who knew & loved him. May you find a measure of comfort, hope & peace in the following Bible Verses.

*Psalm 36:7 "HOW PRECIOUS YOUR LOVING-KINDNESS IS O GOD! AND IN THE SHADOW OF YOUR WINGS THE SONS OF MEN THEMSELVES TAKE REFUGE, FOR WITH YOU IS THE SOURCE OF LIFE, BY LIGHT FROM YOU WE CAN SEE LIGHT."*

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**Rita Perry** - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

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“ Mrs. Elaine,  
It is with deep sadness that I will not be able to attend the funeral today. I will be lifting you and your family up to the Lord throughout this day and in the coming weeks. Please know that if God should put me on your heart for anything then I ask that you not hesitate to call. Although Mr. Buddy will be missed, I am so happy to know that he is with our precious Lord and Savior Jesus. What a home coming it will be someday. I look forward to that time.

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**Sukie Thibodeaux** - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM

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“ Psalm 23:4  
John 5:28 and 29  
Revelation 21:1 through 4  
Each of you are in my prayers.

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**Peggy Tupper** - October 29, 2013 at 04:06 PM