



Alan Sumner Gilbert

August 4, 1929 - October 13, 2008

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1929-2008

Mr. Alan Sumner Gilbert, 79 of Newnan, formerly of Atlanta, died Monday, October 13th, 2008. He was born August 4th, 1929 in Brockton, MA, to the late Abraham & Rachel Miller Gilbert. Alan was an Army Veteran of the Korean War.

Alan attended the University of Illinois & found his calling in Real Estate early in life. For over 30 years, Alan devoted himself to the business of “helping people” and found a lifetime of passion for guiding individuals through the most important purchase of their lives.

A well known and respected broker in the Atlanta Real Estate community, Alan won many awards throughout his prestigious career & was designated “Atlanta’s \$6 million Dollar Man” in the 1970’s. Alan served as Vice President & Managing Broker for Buckhead Brokers & Jenny Pruitt Realtors. In 1985, together with his wife Billie, Alan opened his own real estate franchise office, Re/Max Imperial. Semi-retired in 2002, Alan and Billie moved to the city of Newnan, where he continued to keep his hand in real estate as a relocation specialist & business coach, with Parks & Mottola.

Greyhound rescue was another passion dear to Alan’s heart. After discovering

the plight of these beautiful animals, he wanted to get involved. Ultimately, Alan & Billie rescued and then adopted 3 wonderful dogs.

Today, we remember a man, and a life that personified integrity, compassion, love and loyalty. He was loved & respected by everyone who knew him and he will be deeply missed.

Alan's family members include his wife of 22 years, Billie Gilbert; his daughter Jodi Cobb; his sisters, Zelda Segal & Fruma Klein; step sons, Steven Brown, David Brown and Christopher Brown, as well as nieces Linda Baillit, Ellen Wolfe, Richard Kline, Evie Delaney & six grandchildren.

The family request contributions to the American Heart Association in lieu of flowers.

Condolences may be sent to the family online at www.mckoon.com

McKoon Funeral Home 770-253-4580

Tribute Wall

LF

“ Alan was a very kind & warm man. I thoroughly enjoyed my time with Alan at Jenny Pruitt & Assoc. and respected his professional abilities. My deepest sympathies to his family. Leah A. Franco

Leah Franco - November 13, 2008 at 07:58 PM

RW

“ Dear Gilbert family, I met Alan at the Jenny Pruitt office in the mid 90's. I would bring my gift items into the office on a Tuesday morning and set up in the conference room. All I can say is Alan was a real mensch. I am very sorry for your loss. I have thought of him many times over the years when driving by his old office. May G-d give you strength in the days ahead.

Roz Winston - November 01, 2008 at 10:23 PM

MR

“ I was so very sorry to hear of Alan's death when I returned from out of town. I was an agent in his Re/Max office and thought the world of him. He was always so happy and ever so helpful and gave us such inspiration to keep improving our business. He was such a wonderful broker. I know he will be missed. Such a gentleman!

Marie Russell - October 27, 2008 at 03:11 PM

AG

“ Billie: Was so sorry to learn of your husband's passing. I knew him briefly when he asked me if I played Bridge. Although he did not play the game, he told me he was trying to get a group together for his wife as he knew how much she enjoyed it. He will be missed. Please call me if I can do anything for you. Sincerely, Audrey

Audrey Galloway - October 24, 2008 at 04:44 PM

SB

“ Please know that we thought so much of Alan Gilbert. My husband, Darren and I met him when we went to work for Parks & Mottola a little over two years ago. He was a pleasure to work with and to also have as a friend. We hold the highest respect for him. He will be missed greatly. We have left P&M and now work with Josey, Young, & Brady. Alan called me a couple of months ago. He sounded so great and as always such a caring person. We are blessed to have know such a fine example of a good human being who truly cared about your well being. We will see you again Alan. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. Darren and Susan Beckom

Susan Beckom - October 22, 2008 at 05:49 PM

LK

“ Billie, Gene and I were saddened to hear of Alan's death. We always enjoyed chatting with you and Alan. Hopefully being surrounded by family and friends will ease your sorrow. Linda Kaplan

Linda Kaplan - October 22, 2008 at 01:06 PM

MU

“ I could not help but cry bitter tears today when I learned of Alan's passing. As a 30 year veteran of real estate here in Atlanta, I knew of Alan's reputation long before I had the pleasure of meeting him in person. When he opened his ReMax office, he took a lot of time to share with me the advantages of their system and invite me to join his team. Ultimately, the distance to the office proved an issue for me and Alan was gracious and kind when I decided on another office. His reputation was beyond reproach, his manner gentle, caring and professional and his knowledge and integrity legend in the Atlanta real estate arena. In reading his obituary, I learned he and his wife rescued Greyhounds-how utterly in keeping with the man that he was. We have lost one of a diminishing breed in America with his death. I have no inkling of his religious affiliation but I know he will fit right in in Heaven. My deepest sympathy is extended to his family.

Melody Unger - October 21, 2008 at 10:09 PM

LS

“ Dear Billie And the entire Gilbert family, I just wanted to say that I just heard about Alan's death and wanted to tell you all how sorry I was to hear the news. I just wanted to tell everyone that he will be missed by all who had the honor to know Alan...lenny savitt

Lenny Savitt - October 21, 2008 at 04:01 PM

AK

“ To the family of Alan Gilbert: I was privileged to know and work with Alan during the time he was associated with Parks and Mottola Realtors. I am a realtor there. I was cheered by his friendly greeting and words of encouragement each time I met him at the office. He was always helpful to me in the area of real estate and I coonsidered him a friend. I am deeply saddened by his loss, and send to all of you my sincere sympathy. Alice Kirby

Alice Kirby - October 21, 2008 at 02:06 PM

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Alice Kirby - October 21, 2008 at 02:04 PM

HB

“ Dear Family of Alan Gilbert, I was saddened to learn of Alan's passing. For many years Alan and I were fellow REALTORS in Atlanta. He was by broker too at Buckhead Brokers. My main memory - such a gentleman! My heart is with you. Sincerely, Holly Boyett

Holly Boyett - October 21, 2008 at 01:51 PM

JJ

“ Alan has been loved and appreciated as a co-worker and a friend of mine at Parks and Mottola. He is greatly missed and I will remember him fondly. Sincerely, Julie Jones

JULIE A. JONES - October 21, 2008 at 01:09 PM

JC

“ With great sympathy and sadness, my heart goes out to his family. Such a wonderful man that will be missed by a great many of people.

Jamie Chapman - October 21, 2008 at 12:26 PM

LK

“ It was a privilege to be among Alan and Billie's colleagues in the Atlanta real estate community. Alan's integrity and kindness made him my mentor as well as my RE/MAX broker. Working with Alan and Billie was a joy and knowing that he was there with answers and advice when I needed them gave me reassurance. And we had fun, too! Alan made the world a better place.

Lucy Kinnaid - October 21, 2008 at 11:39 AM

PC

“ Dear Billie and Family, So sorry for your loss. He was more than an associate here at P&M. He was a friend. Bless you all, and know that you are on our minds and hearts. Love, Parks

Parks Cole - October 21, 2008 at 10:42 AM

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parks cole - October 21, 2008 at 10:41 AM

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Audrey Lindeman - October 21, 2008 at 09:39 AM

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Audrey Lindeman - October 21, 2008 at 09:38 AM

DD

“ With both love and respect, we want to express our thanks for getting to share a part of Alan's life...even though it was in an office setting, it was much more of a friendship...he brought happiness and positive thoughts into our days around him! May you remember the many people he touched in such an important way and how much he loved his own family above everything else! Cheryl and Dennis Drewyer

Dennis Drewyer - October 21, 2008 at 07:06 AM

HV

“ I am deeply sorry for your loss. May the Lord bring you peace and comfort. There are so few people in life that you speak with and take with you something from each and every conversation. Alan was a very kind man and had a great impact on my career and life. I will miss him dearly. May God Bless you, Holly Vandiver

Holly Vandiver - October 20, 2008 at 05:46 PM

JH

“ My heartfelt condolence to you the Gilbert family. I worked with Alan at Parks and Mottola, where he used his vast experience and expertise, what a great mentor and such a gracious man, who often spoke fondly of his family. You are in our Prayers

Jacqueline Hurlbut - October 20, 2008 at 05:37 PM

TW

“ Dear Gilbert Family- Alan was a bright spot in my day every morning as we arrived at work and in the evenings as we said our goodbyes. He was my biggest cheerleader and always had something positive to say. We miss him terribly and pray that the happy memories will help you during this time period. Twyla Wilson

Twyla Wilson - October 20, 2008 at 05:34 PM

PC

“ Please accept our sincere condolence for the loss of Alan. He was such a nice, kind, and helpful person and he will truly be missed.

Patty Gulley, PAPP Clinic - October 20, 2008 at 05:28 PM

RS

“ To the Gilbert Family, God bless you during this terrible and difficult time. I am so sorry for your loss. Please accept my heartfelt condolences. Alan was such a good man, a kind, sweet gentleman. I had the pleasure of working with him. All of us at Parks and Mottola loved Alan and miss him so much already. He was a wonderful part of our work "family," and he contributed so much. He leaves a terrible void that no one can fill. It's just not the same without him. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I'll treasure the memories I have of Alan. With deepest sympathy, Robin Stewart

Robin Stewart - October 17, 2008 at 09:32 PM