



## J.R. Gooch

November 19, 1959 - December 2, 2023

It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of J.R. Gooch, who passed away on December 2, 2023, in Westfield, IN. J.R. was born on November 19, 1959, in Tipton, IN. to his parents Elizabeth Whicker and Howard (Gene) Gooch.

J.R. was an aviation sales professional and a past SAL Commander of American Legion Post #155 Carmel, IN. He was a colorful soul who loved to help and support veterans and dedicated his time to helping others in need. He was the life of the party and truly loved by many for his passion for singing and dancing as well as his big heart.

He is survived by his daughter Ashley Gooch; son Desperado Johnson, daughter-in-law Crystal Johnson; brother Larry Murphy; sister Annette Nydegger; sister Kathy Jones; brother Jeff Gooch; brother Michael Gooch; sister Gina Watkins; and his girlfriend Stasia Schuler-Davis.

A Memorial visitation will be held Wednesday, December 13, 2023, from 5-7 pm with

A Memorial Service at 7 pm. All at Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory-Fishers-Castleton Chapel 9900 Allisonville Road in Fishers, IN 46038.

We take comfort knowing that J.R.'s memory lives on through all those he touched during his life here on earth and ask that you keep him in your thoughts during this difficult time. Please visit [www.loosecares.com](http://www.loosecares.com) to place a

memory of J.R. Loose Funeral Home is honored to serve the Gooch family.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

DEC 13. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Mortuary  
9900 Allisonville Rd  
Fishers, IN 46038

## Memorial Service

DEC 13. 7:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of J.R. Gooch.*



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December 12, 2023 at 03:28 PM



“ *Glen, Betty, Chris, CJ, Bridget & Riley purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of J.R. Gooch.*



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**Glen, Betty, Chris, CJ, Bridget & Riley** - December 09, 2023 at 07:10 PM



“ *My thoughts and sadness for the loss of J.R. And the circle of emptiness he leaves in everyone's heart. May he RIP and great healing love sent to all of you. Gone to soon but not forgotten*



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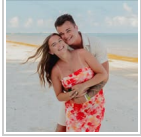
**Derinda Vessely** - December 09, 2023 at 04:20 PM



“ *I have positive memories of J.R. going back to school days at Westfield and later working at CBSI. He could fill a room with his energy, smile, and passion. My deepest sympathies to his family and especially his daughter Ashley.*

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**Greg Stewart** - December 08, 2023 at 09:07 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Casey Gooch - December 07, 2023 at 04:05 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of J.R. Gooch.



December 07, 2023 at 03:14 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Tribute Wall



Stacy Letton - December 07, 2023 at 01:37 PM



*There are no words...Just a huge hole in my heart for "My child, JR".  
May you be at peace, my friend.*

Stacy Letton - December 07, 2023 at 01:38 PM

AL

“ JR you were always smiling every time we saw you. Your smile was so infectious and how could you not be in a better mood after seeing JR. Your love of music and dance will always be how I remember you. You will be missed by so many. 🙏🌸. Rest In Peace JR. Heaven has a new angel dancing and singing to all of our loved ones up in heaven. Until then JR Rock on and dance and sing. We will all see you again someday 🙏🕶️ you always had your sunglasses on LOL ❤️

Ali Low - December 07, 2023 at 12:52 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of J.R. Gooch.



December 07, 2023 at 12:15 PM

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“ Nathan and Kristin Davis planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of J.R. Gooch.

Nathan and Kristin Davis - December 07, 2023 at 12:15 PM

AU

“ Being born on your birthday will always be held so close to my heart. I'll miss your big hugs whenever you're around. You were such a an amazing uncle and I'm so happy that I got to be your niece. I love you so much Uncle Jr. Give Nana the biggest hug for me ❤️

Aundrea - December 07, 2023 at 12:14 PM

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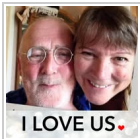
“ My deepest sympathies ho out to the Gooch family & to every person that was fortunate enough to know him. If you met him, you instantly made a friend. Though I didn't know him well, I loved him as did everyone he encountered. Always spreading goodwill & supporting others Gooch had an immeasurable zest for life & was truly a huge Goodwill Ambassador on this earth. I will miss his smile, his spirit, and his hugs which incidently always left me with his wonderful scent of cologne. Gooch, you touched my life more than you could imagine, and I am a better person for knowing you. You will be sadly missed by many my friend, may your light continue to shine in heaven. The world has l9st a beautiful soul but you live on in our memories. God Bless America, God Bless our Troops, God Bless You Gooch & Godspeed. I Love You! Linda @ Post #155

Linda Boffo - December 07, 2023 at 11:10 AM

JM

“ JR didn't know a stranger and welcomed everyone with the biggest hug and kindest most genuine smile! The image of him zip lining upside down in our backyard is forever burnt in our memory with love and laughter! Love always! Joey and Jenny

Jenny Murphy - December 07, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ Jr was a wonderful brother in law. He was deeply loved and will never be forgotten

Paula Jenkins - December 07, 2023 at 10:51 AM

AG

“ I love you Papa. I know I was the light of your life so I am doing my best to honor your memory and your legacy. I miss you every moment of every day. You will always be my Papa. ❤️

ashley gooch - December 07, 2023 at 10:35 AM