



# Philip William Gottschalk

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**P**hilip William “Dosie” Gottschalk passed away on Saturday, April 1, 2017 surrounded by family at his home in Goodbee, LA. He was born on December 21, 1937 in Goodbee, LA to the late George William Gottschalk and Eva Cecile Bush Gottschalk.

Dosie is survived by his beloved wife, Lela Whitehead Gottschalk. He was the loving father of P. Wallace Gottschalk (Vanessa) and Wade Clayton Gottschalk (Shannon). Dosie was the proud grandfather of Gage and Meredith Gottschalk, Corey and Allison Wall and Brody, Jacob, and Liam Gottschalk. He was the brother of Leander Gottschalk, Theodore Gottschalk, June Fussell, and the late George R. Gottschalk, Doris Sharp and Linda Henderson. Dosie is survived by numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Dosie retired from the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry after 44 years of dedicated service as a wildland firefighter. He was an avid outdoorsman with a deep love and respect for the natural world.

The Gottschalk family extends sincere thanks to St. Tammany Hospice, Derek, Alden, and Dee for their kind and gentle care.

A private family service was held at Bennett Cemetery, 10002 Bennett Cemetery Rd., Folsom, LA. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Tammany Parish Hospice, (985) 898-4414. Please Share a Memory on the Tribute Wall at [www.ejfieldingfh.com](http://www.ejfieldingfh.com).



# Events

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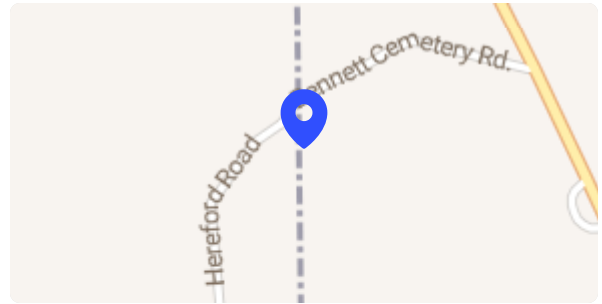
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## Cemetery Details



**Bennett Cemetery**

10002 Bennett Cemetery Rd., Folsom LA 70437





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LC

**Leonora Stogner Creel** posted:

My heart goes out to my cousins Wally and Wade! Losing daddy is something you never get over, you just learn to live in the memories and cherish those times. Trust in Jesus as he will be your comfort in this season of your lives! Love y'all, Leonora Stogner Creel

April 3 at 2:10 AM

KC

**Kirk Casanova** posted:

Philip was an employee of the Louisiana Department of Agriculture & Forestry as a Wildland Firefighter. He returned to work seasonally for another ten years after his original retirement for a total of over 40 years. He was the type of employee that may not exist in todays world. He was dedicated and had initiative like none other. He loved his family and his smile will be missed. As a young forester I always knew that when Dosie asked me a question like he often did, I had better know that he probably already new the answer, he was just checking to see if I knew the answer.

April 3 at 1:24 AM

BO

**Bryan And Gina Ostendorf** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. We consider you all to be one of the finest families around. We hope your memories lift you in this dark time. Bryan and Gina Ostendorf

April 2 at 6:55 PM

CJ

**Chantel Jourdan** lit a candle in honor of Philip.

Share a memory of Philip William Gottschalk or send condolences to the family.

April 2 at 6:17 PM





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TO

**Todd Oalman** posted:

My condolences to this great family. They're two memories that I have of Mr. Dosie. The first one is of walking his place as a boy and having him identify every tree in the area. Man he could spend all day talking about trees. The second was of a fishing trip that Wade and I made where we had caught some garfish. We had about three fish about 60-70 pounds each, Dosie went and got a little bitty rod and reel and had us take pictures of him next to the fish. He wanted to show AC what he had caught. We took the picture and he had the biggest, slyest grin on his face. I'll always cherish the time that I spent with him and his family. Best wishes in this difficult time. Todd Oalman

April 2 at 3:49 PM

DW

**Daniele Bordelon Williams** April 2 at 5:28 PM

My deepest condolences to this family. I knew him years ago when I was young. He was such a kind man. I remember his son Wade, showing me stacks of books and reading material! I thought to myself "He must be pretty smart, that's a lot of information!" And he had watched a soap opera ( which I thought was funny) But, one thing sticks out in my mind, he'd walk around the yard pruning his trees. Well, it was around Easter I went up to a tree,,ripped off a limb ( for what reason, I have no idea) probably to jokingly smack Wade with it, not realizing that he just got finished "pruning" that tree! Wade looked at me with his eyes as big as quarters telling me "Oh, when my dad sees this he' gonna flip!" I didn't realize and was ignorant to the fact that I wasn't suppose to do that. I didn't know his actual occupation at that time. Well, I called him "Boof" I walked up to him and apologized for messing up his tree, he tried to act like he was upset but he was way to nice to get angry at me. At Easter, he and his wife handed me a full Easter basket anyway after I messed up his tree!!! Wally and Wade and Mrs. Lelia and extended family. I am sorry for your loss..... prayers lifted.



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Philip by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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