

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Mohinder Pal Singh Gill

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Mohinder Pal Singh Gill was born in Jindiala, Punjab on 26th June 1949 to Sri Prit Pal Singh Gill and Bibi Harjeet Kaur Gill. The middle child of three, he had an elder brother called Surinder and has a younger sister called Ajit. His infant years were spent in Punjab where the family lived in Taran Taran, Punjab.

At the age of six his family moved to Delhi and it was in Patel Nagar that he was raised by his mother, four maternal aunts and uncle, whilst his father was posted in Aden (Yemen) working for the United Nations. It was here he formed a close bond with Surinder, Ajit and his cousins (Guddi, Santha and Manju) getting up to mischief and trouble. His maternal family gave him the nickname "Puppy", which was still used to this day.

Mohinder attended Salwan Public School where he developed a passion for the Sciences and Mathematics which later led to him reading Mechanical Engineering at Guru Nanak Dev Engineering College in Ludhiana. After graduating in 1971, he briefly joined the Indian Air Force, however after a year in he realised his true calling in life was sales. He went on to complete an MBA in Marketing from Delhi University.

In the late 1970's he re-located to Saudia Arabia, where he split his time between Riyadh and Jeddah working in sales and marketing selling heavy duty machinery. It was at this time he decided to embark on the Pan Am World Tour which took him to Hawaii – Hong Kong – New York – San Francisco – Los Angeles and London. I'm sure those of you close to him will have heard his adventurous stories of partying in the world-famous Studio 54 nightclub. He continued to be a keen traveller thoughout his life, visiting South Africa, East Asia Europe and the United States.

Cupid struck in 1983 when Mohinder was visiting his sister in Wolverhampton, it was during a night out at the Berni Inn Steak House in Walsall he met Satbir and won her over with his charm, charisma and handsome looks. After courting for over a year they married in September 1984 and went on to have two daughters, Sonia and Meeta. During this period Mohinder juggled his career and family life by splitting his time between Saudi and the UK but moved back to the UK to be with his family in 1990 when the First Gulf War started.

Re-locating to the UK during a deep recession in the early 1990's brought its struggles and difficulties in finding an engineering role.

After the war had ended he decided to return to Saudi in 1992 to take up his previous engineering sales job, however life would have different plans for him and the next 25 years of his career. Mohinder was approached for a medical sales rep role at Eastern Pharmaceuticals. With his strong rapport building, confidence and influencing skills, Mohinder went on to have one of the most successful careers in the West Midlands and surrounding areas. His influence over hundreds of GP surgeries, hospitals and pharmacies would have them prescribing his products only. He held roles in Shire Pharmaceuticals, Daiichi Sankyo and Pfizer.

Outside of work Mohinder was a dedicated father, husband, brother and grandfather. His passion for cooking, travelling, movies, cricket and his practice of Sikhism meant there was never a dull moment in his presence. Mohinder took an active interest in politics and current affairs and always loved a debate and discussion.

Mohinder will be sadly missed by all his family and friends, he was a larger than life personality who touched the hearts of so many in many ways. No one is short of a story about him, and he will live on in everyone's hearts and memories.



Bilaaval Mehalaa 5

Taatee vaa-o na laga-ee Paarbhahm sarnaa-ee

Cha-ugirad hamaarai raam kaar dukh lagai na bhaa-ee

Satigur pooraa bhayti-aa jin banat banaa-èe

Raam Naam a-ukhadh dee-aa aykaa liv laa-ee || Rahaa-o ||

Raakh lee-ay tin rakhanahaar sabh bi-aadh mitaa-ee

Kaho Nanak kirpaa bha-ee Prabh bha-ay sahaa-ee

Bilaaval, Fifth Mehl:

The hot winds do not touch me; the Supreme Lord is my Sanctuary.

I am surrounded by the Protection of God; pain does not touch me.

I have met with the Perfect True Guru, who has brought about this happy consummation.

He has given me the Cure-All of the Name of the Lord, and I am attuned to the One. ||

I am saved and protected by the Protector, and all my troubles are dispelled.

Says Nanak, He has become merciful to me; God has blessed me with His All-Powerful Support.