



William "Bill" E. Morris

August 18, 1948 - November 23, 2017

William "Bill" E. Morris, age 69, of Jackson, Ohio passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, November 23, 2017. Born August 18, 1948, he was the son of the late James and Alfreda Keesee Morris. Bill graduated from Jackson High School with the class of 1966. He attended Morehead State University before leaving college to join the U. S. Navy. He served in the U. S. Navy from 1968 to 1972. He was retiree of Glatfelter Paper Company in Chillicothe.

Bill had a passion for traveling and a natural curiosity about the world around him. He had a big heart and loved his family more than anything else in the world. Using the words of his late friend, Roy Dove, "It was a good life. We just wish there had been more of it."

He will be missed by his wife of 45 years Marilyn Lauderback Morris; daughters, Michelle (Tim) Miller of Gallipolis, Teresa (Eric) McGinnis of Chillicothe, and Hillary (Tim) Needham of Jackson; grandson Trent Miller and granddaughters Sydney Miller, Madison Needham, Ally and Aubrey McGinnis, and special additions to the family Crystal Miller and Cory Miller. Also surviving are a sister, Carol Bailey; mother-in-law, Katherine Lauderback; brothers and sisters-in-law, Mike and Delores Ridout, Ralph and Sharon Lauderback, Garry Sexton, and several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends who will also miss him.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a sister, Betty Sexton; brother, Gary Morris; brother-in-law, Rev. Patrick Bailey; and father-in-law, Emerson Lauderback.

There will be a memorial gathering at Mayhew-Brown Funeral home on Sunday, November 26, 2017 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Per Bill's wishes, his family will scatter his ashes on their travels.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions to your favorite charity in his name.

In 2016, Bill received the gift of life in the form of a bi-lateral lung transplant. Because of that gift, his family enjoyed 18 more months with him and wants to ask everyone to please consider being an organ donor.

Arrangements are by the Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home and Southern Ohio Cremation Services in Jackson.

Please visit www.mayhew-brownfuneralhome.com to send online condolences.

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Marilyn and Michelle, Teresa, and Hillary and families, I am so sorry to learn of Bill's death. We are rich in memories spanning over 45 years of friendship. I pray that the Lord will hold you close and comfort you now and in the days ahead. Please come to see me when you are able. Much love, Theresa

Theresa Dove - June 29, 2018 at 09:27 AM

RL

“ NO WORDS CAN EXPRESS THE EMPTINESS, AND SORROW THAT IS IN OUR HEARTS. BILL WAS MORE LIKE THE BROTHER WE NEVER HAD INSTEAD OF A BROTHER-IN-LAW. HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED!!! FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS THROUGH ALL THE YEARS OF WONDERFUL MEMORIES.

Ralph & Sharon Lauderback - June 29, 2018 at 09:27 AM

RM

“ To The Family From another Morris family to yours; Bill will be missed by all who knew him. Saying I'm sorry for your loss just doesn't seem right or make sense. I want you to know the family is in our thoughts and prayers. Love you all...

Robert Morris - June 29, 2018 at 09:27 AM

PG

“ Hillary and Teresa was so sorry to hear about your dad. I wanted you to know that you and your mom are in our thoughts and prayers. Hugs coming your way Pat and Bob

Pat Grace - June 29, 2018 at 09:27 AM

LM

“ Marilyn & Family, So Sorry. I sure will miss Bill & Marilyn coming to visit. He was one of a kind. Fond memories. Rest in Peace Bill.

Linda Morris - June 29, 2018 at 09:27 AM

SB

“ I was so sorry to hear about Bill. I hope God will bless you and your family and help you through this sorrowful time.

Sharon Brotherton - June 29, 2018 at 09:27 AM

SH

“ Marilyn, Hillary and Tim, I hated hearing that Bill passed away Thursday. I am so sorry for your loss. As you return to life's routine, I know you will continue to feel comforted by the love and support of your wonderful family and friends. You are in my thoughts. Sally

Sally Herron - June 29, 2018 at 09:27 AM

KB

“ Michelle and family I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your dad. I remember all the fun times we had over there and how he made us laugh. You'll be in my thoughts and prayers.

Kimberly Boughton - June 29, 2018 at 09:27 AM

KB

“ I'm so sorry to hear about the passing of your dad, Michelle. He was a great guy who made us laugh when we came to spend the night with you as teens. You'll be in my thoughts and prayers.

Kimberly Allen Boughton - June 29, 2018 at 09:27 AM

TJ

“ Please accept my condolences on Bill's passing. We worked on the same squad at the (old) Franconia District Station #6, Fairfax County P. D. I can picture Bill even now in my minds eye, tall, curly blond hair, stood straight, had good humor, he was a pleasure to serve with. He was a stand up guy who did good work, and could be counted on to back you up, friendly and happy, he was a fine man. I know he will be missed, "T. A." Johnson, retired Jan. 1991

Thomas "T.A" Johnson - June 29, 2018 at 09:27 AM