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Billy was welcomed to this world on January 29, 1944 into the loving arms of his parents Ralph Earl and Marian Staker Smith on the 29th of January 1944. He lived most of his life in Salt Lake City, Utah. He earned his Eagle Scout Badge with three Palms in his youth. He graduated from Highland High School in 1961. He was a member of The Church of Latter-Day Saints. He was a plumber by trade and retired from the trucking industry from Yellow Freight Lines. He peacefully passed into the arms of his beloved Savior on September 15, 2018 just before sunrise on Saturday.

He will always be loved and remembered as an honorable son, a beloved uncle, a perfect partner, best friend, best little brother, and the best Dad, but most of all he will be remembered for coming into the middle of a game with the bases loaded, bringing each of his precious children home, safe. He knew how to turn little boys into men and little girls into fairy princesses. He will be missed by those of us left behind. His lovely sister Ann S. (Garth) Eldredge, children Robert T. Moulton, Leslie Ann (Hugo) Van Linden, Jeffrey G. Smith, Shelby Kay (Rob) Smith, Jaime Gibb, Sean (Jessica) Gilliland, Matthew (Carol Ann) Mortensen. His thirteen precious grandchildren (his jewels) and his two great-grandsons. Numerous friends with children. He leaves behind his best-ever friends Stevie and Brian.

I will miss his magic. His capacity for love was never-ending and he will always be loved. Just like Jesus.



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Marian Kidman lit a candle in honor of William.



November 9 at 11:57 AM



Marian Kidman posted:

Oh my I am truly hurt and shocked. Uncle Bill was our nickname for him when he lived at Woodlake Village way back in the 70's and 80's!! Our fun fun person. He always kept us all laughing! Such a huge loss. He loved his Jeannie though because she whisked him away to a much better life. Oh how we all cried and carried on in a fit of hurt. Uncle Bill I love you dearly. You kept me strong and positive more than you will ever know. Thanks for all of the laughs! Love, Peace and "I'm lifting a glass of champagne" Forever, Mariane Kidman and I'm sure hundreds of others!

November 9 at 11:56 AM



Debbie Frustaci posted:

Uncle Bill, my heart hurts to know they you are no longer a part of our lives here on earth, no more teasing, pork pie deliveries or feeling like when I am around you I am closer to my dad. However my heart is happy for you, knowing you are no longer in pain, reunited with your dad and mom and brother. I will miss you...until I see you on the other side . Debbie

September 25 at 5:43 AM



Jami Mock posted:

I love you Uncle Bill. You were my favorite person growing up. I've always thought we were connected because we shared a birthday. I'll never forget the fun times we had. I loved riding the motorcycle with you. I loved when you and my dad would cook breakfast at the cabin. I loved the trips we all took together. I have seriously laughed out loud thinking about all the fun times. I remember when we got in trouble a few times for staying out too long on the motorcycle. My fault. I kept bugging you to keep going. You were the first person I remember calling me "Jamers". You called me that the last time I saw you. I loved that you did. It made me feel special. I will see you again some day. Until then, I will miss you. I love you with all of my heart.

September 23 at 3:16 PM



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LL

Leslie Van Linden posted:

Well my dad taught me all the fun stuff. Shooting guns to riding motorcycles. I would have never thought about trying these sports. I am happy I have my Dad's laid back personality it has served me well in life. Miss you already. Leslie

September 20 at 4:27 AM

AM

Amber posted:

Thank you for all of the many good memories I will cherish forever ❤️ You were always so good to my sister and I. Many unforgettable hunting trips, fishing at the cabin, cutting down firewood up Daniel's Canyon, football parties, swimming parties when we were young, Christmas presents (I still have one of the necklaces you gave me) and so much more ❤️❤️❤️. I'm so thankful for our last visit together ❤️❤️❤️😭😭😭

September 19 at 8:54 AM

TR

Tiffany Roberts posted:

Whew this is tough. I love you Uncle Bill. All the other kids were confident on the motorcycles, and sand rails, but not me. I was always afraid of them, and you always promised me you would hold on tight, and nothing would happen to me. You always held on tight! I remember when we were having the water balloon fight, and you threw it at me, and it sent me sailing down the sidewalk. The balloon weighed more than I did :) I think you cried as hard as I did. You were so sad to see me hurt. Then I grew up, and became a mom. You took my Kurtis fishing up above the cabin, and he caught his first fish. You held him when he threw the pole and called it a monster and tried to run up the hill. There are too many memories to share, but those are a few of my favorites. I love you and I will miss you so much. Love Tiffany

September 18 at 2:32 PM

DA

David posted:

We are lighting a Yellow Candle for Billy as he was a treasured friend of ours. He was such a caring wonderful person that you could always count on as a dear friend. We loved Bill very much. We have such great fun memories getting together having game night and laughing until some of us fell out of our chair! He will always be with us and when we think of him it makes us smile. Rest in peace Billy. You are very loved! David, Linda Buckner and Family

September 18 at 11:06 AM



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David & Linda Buckner lit a candle in honor of William.



September 18 at 10:56 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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