



William Theodore Baxter

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William Theodore Baxter passed away at the age of 98 on Christmas Day 2025. He and his wife M Carol Baxter had been married 75 years prior to her passing on July 2nd earlier this year. Their love was so strong that a piece of his heart was lost the day she passed.

(William) Bill was born on April 1st, 1927 in Lewistown, Montana to Earl Herman Baxter and Jennie Beatrice Baxter. He had two older sisters Carole Louise (Baxter) Roadcap, Frances Marion (Baxter) Barnhart, and a younger sister Barbara Beatrice (Baxter) Stellmon.

Bill served in the Navy on the USS Miami at the end of WWII. He was very proud of his time in the service.

After his return he moved to Billings to attend Rocky Mtn College. During this time he met the love of his life, Carol, at a roller rink. Bill loved Harley Davidson motorcycles and had already owned 3 of them, his current one was a 1949 with the first springer front fork and it was his pride and joy. He and Carol dated on it with many adventures. When fall came and it became too cold, Bill decided to sell it to purchase a car and a wedding ring.

Bill and Carol were married on December 18th 1949 on the coldest snowiest day of the year but their hearts were warm with love. This was the beginning of their 75 years of marriage.

A couple of years later they welcomed their first cute baby boy, Dennis Earl Baxter, followed by a girl Raynae Ann (Baxter) Redman, another boy Larry Jay Baxter, and Dayna Lynn (Baxter) Montoya.

Bill and Carol's greatest love was for their children, their church family at Central Christian Church in Billings, Roots Fellowship in Victor Montana and all their close friends.



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Bill worked as a counselor at Job Service in Billings and was always proud of how he could help young men find good jobs to provide for their families.

Bill loved to fish and camp so most vacations before retirement were spent camping and fishing with his family. After retirement he and Carol bought a motorhome that brought many adventures as they traveled the entire US in it with their friends. They loved being snowbirds in Arizona for about 20 winters.

When Carol passed away in July of this year he lost a piece of his heart and never recovered from the loss and he passed away from a broken heart.

Preceding Bill's death was his wife of 75 years Carol, his parents, his siblings, one grandson Jason Michael Baxter, and one great great Robert Hugh.

He is survived by his children, Dennis, Raynae, Larry, and Dayna; also 11 grand kids, 25 great grand kids, and 11 great greats.




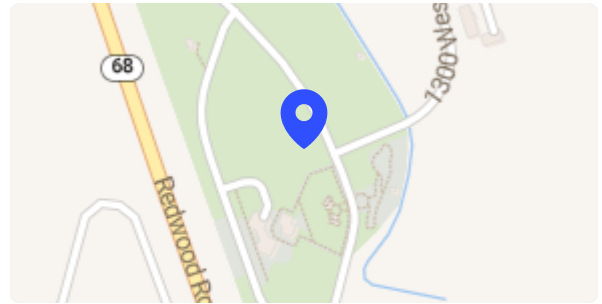
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Cemetery Details

 **Utah Veteran Cemetery - Camp Williams**
17111 South 1700 West, Bluffdale UT





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Ron & Jennie Ruth Alvey posted:

We came to know Bill at the "Seasons of Santaquin" while serving in the church services there. Bill was always smiling and would offer to help with any needed chore that could be done in his wheelchair. He was filled with Christlike love for any and everyone and never failed to thank whom ever was helping him. We will miss him deeply and offer our deepest condolences and love to you his dear family. Ron and Jennie Ruth Alvey, 17th branch.

December 30 at 9:56 AM



Bonnie Ballard-Valdez posted:

It was truly a pleasure to care for Bill and Carol. They had a love that has lasted a lifetime and their kids are living proof that loving someone works out if you work hard at it. My favorite memory of them is when I walked past the room one day and your sweet mother was scratching your dad's back and he was telling her how good it felt. It was so touching to watch them care for one another. There was nothing that she needed that he wasn't there to give her nothing that he wanted that she wasn't there to help with. God bless your family for your kindness and appreciation of your wonderful parents. You are a true example of what God wants us to be in our families. Thank you again for allowing me to have a little part of their lives. Bonnie Ballard

December 28 at 7:49 PM



Neil Christensen posted:

Bill was an amazing man and so full of knowledge. You could sit and visit and a hour would escape you before you knew it. Bill and Carol's love for each other was truly more than I have ever seen in any couple, they truly set the bar high and were a great example of becoming one flesh as the Bible says. I loved them and I am very thankful to have known and associated with such fine people and thankful to be a part of their family!!! I am looking forward to seeing them again!

December 27 at 6:11 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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