



# Bill Matthews

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**B**illy Lee Matthews, 79, of Decatur, passed away on Sunday, February 18, 2018 at Generations at McKinley Court.

Bill was born on August 31, 1938 to the late Robert and Evelyn (King) Matthews.

Bill married Karen A. Harrison in Decatur, June 19, 1960

He retired after 12 years as UAW International Representative for Region 4 and retired from Caterpillar Inc after 32 years.

He was a former member of Local 751 and served as vice president 1 term and 3 terms as president.

Mr. Matthews served his country in the army for 3 years.

Surviving are his wife, Karen. Children, Jeffrey (Tami) Matthews, Michael (Sandy) Matthews and Melynda "Mindy" (Bill) Provenzano, Brother, Leon (Linda) Matthews; 10 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and 2 great great grandchildren.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents.; brother, Buzz Matthews; sisters, Kay DeVore and Nancy Caldwell.

Memorials may be made to Cross Pointe Community Church.

In lieu of flowers, Cross Pointe Community Church

Special thanks for Bill's care goes out to the staff on the 2nd floor of Generations at McKinley Place.

A memorial to service to celebrate Bills life will be held on Saturday, February 24, 2018 at noon at Cross Pointe Community Church, 34 S Country Club Road.

The family of Billy Lee Matthews is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Ave. Decatur, IL. Please view the online obituary, send condolences, and share memories.



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KV

**Karen Verhusen** posted:

Karen and family so sorry to hear that Bill passed. May God wrap his loving arms around your family and give you comfort and peace. Sorry John and I will not be able to attend Bill's service. You are in our prayers.

February 22 at 2:49 PM

JM

**Joanne & Terry Mccarthy** posted:

We are so sorry to learn of Bill's passing but glad we had a nice visit with Bill & Karen last year. Love from Joanne & Terry McCarthy

February 21 at 5:28 AM

GP

**Gail Prince** posted:

Sending the love of my family to yours. Bill was a wonderful man, so many great memories of our family n yours together. We love you, Gail, Michelle and Ryan. God is Good 🙏❤️

February 20 at 4:25 PM

MH

**Michael Harrison** posted:

Mike, Sandy, Jeff and Mindy, so sorry for your loss. May his soul rest in peace. Sending prayers your way. May God give you peaceMike, Lois, Elizabeth and Michael Harrison

February 20 at 3:27 PM

CH

**Chris Swearingen Hilderbrand** posted:

. Mike, Sandy, Jeff and Mindy. So Sorry for you loss. Will not be able to attend the memorial, know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

February 20 at 11:36 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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