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Bill John Korich, 88, of Decatur, passed away Friday, June 19, 2015, at his home with his family by his side.

Bill was born September 21, 1926 in Oakland, CA, to Jovan B and Jovana (Spaich) Kuraisa. He was an Army Air Corp Veteran. He married Wanda Louise Bundy on December 15, 1946 in Normal, IL. She passed away on September 28, 2005. He was a purchasing manager for Caterpillar for 42 years.

He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, an author of two books "A Spiritual Love Story" and "Courage & Strength". Bill was currently writing a devotional book. He also loved to draw, write poetry, sing, host and entertain, a great cook and loved to help others. His favorite words were "Food for thought" and he ended every poem he wrote with "Honest I Do"

Bill was survived by his four children, Robert (Liza) Korich of North Carolina, Richard (Susan) Korich of O'Fallon, Jeffrey (Alicia) Korich of Norcross, GA and Gloria (Denny) Greene of Decatur; his brother, Ralph Kuraisa of Oakland, CA; his sister, Millie (Mike) Fleming of Oakland, CA; his seven grandchildren, Sean (Remy) Korich, Sabrina (Dan) Wilson, Samantha Korich, Rachel (Antonio) Mireles, Rebekah Scott, Jordan Korich and Alexander Korich; his twelve great-grandchildren; his one great-great-granddaughter.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Wanda; his four brothers, Stan, Mill, Chris, and Don; and his sister, Ag.

Bill wanted to thank the special people that walked by his side in life, Colleen Dold, Ginny & Shannon Fitzjarrald, Kati Chalmers, Celia Champion and her 10 children, Terry Soper, Marlyn Smith, Carol & Russ Keirl, Chuck Schuette, Carol Frey, Kate Hilton, Angie Horvath, Mike Henry & Lindsay, Bob & Dolly Moore, Janet & Aaron Postick & family, Brenda Wilson, Karen Lindley, Gloria Shields, Michelle Willian & Daughters, Mari Curry, Nancy Mueller, Laura Mueller, Brenda Bruntjen, Jack &



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Lorraine Barr, Merilee, Len & Maggie Konich, Jody & Rick Cramer, Sara James, Sandy & Mick Stewart.

Services to celebrate the life of Bill John Korich will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 24, 2015 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday at St. Paul's Lutheran Church and also one hour prior to the service on Wednesday at the church. Entombment will be in Star of Hope Mausoleum in Graceland Cemetery where full military rites will be conducted by the Macon County Honor Guard. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to St. Paul's Lutheran Church or New Life Pregnancy.

The family of Bill John Korich is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, honored provider of Veterans Funeral Care, 2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur, IL. View the online obituary and send condolences to the family at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.



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DH

Doug Hazelrigg posted:

Dear Korich Family:I began attending the Writer's Group just about the time Bill was beginning to be unable to come, so I did not know him well, but I did have the opportunity to read some of his writing, which as you know was deeply personal and wonderful. The neat thing for me is that now that devotion he shared so unabashedly on paper is now his to embrace face-to-face, and forevermore. RIP— Doug Hazelrigg

June 24 at 6:30 AM

CD

Colleen Dold posted:

Bill will always hold a special place in my heart. He made me feel like I was the most important person in the world. He had a lot of love to share and he did it best by just being himself. I am grateful and so blessed to have known him. It is hard in this life to find someone who was so generous with his time and love...he was always there for me... I will miss him terribly. I know he is with his Lord and with Wanda his beloved. He is an angel and I will miss his famous "chicken and noodle" dinners. My deepest Sympathy to all of his family.....Colleen Dold

June 22 at 4:41 PM

JL

Jennifer Lansford posted:

So sorry for you loss. God bless you.

June 20 at 6:14 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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