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William J. Cayton, 83, of Decatur, passed away Thursday, November 19, 2020, in his home, surrounded by his loving family.

Bill was born August 13, 1937, in West Lebanon, IN to Joseph and Flora Jean (Shattell) Cayton. He proudly served in the United States Army in Korea. He married Gertrude Huff on March 29, 1996 in Bloomington, IL. Bill was very involved in the community including, DAV, Elks, Moose, Shriners, Mason's and American Legion. He was an avid golfer and a member of Big Dummy Golf League. Bill retired a general manager from Air Float Corp and for many years enjoyed the Illinois winters in South Texas.

He is survived by his wife of 24 years, Gertrude; his two sons, Tim Cayton, Troy (Theresa) Cayton; his daughter, Tracie (Ed) Massar; two step-sons, Steven (Michelle) Huff and Cliff (Darla) Huff; one step-daughter, Heidi (Danny) Rea; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; one sister, Sandy Reynolds; and his beloved horse, Little Joe.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Mary Helen and one son, in infancy, Billy Joe Cayton.

Funeral services to celebrate the life of Bill Cayton will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, November 24, 2020, at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. Tuesday before the service at the funeral home. Graveside services will be in West Lebanon Cemetery in West Lebanon, IN following the service.

The family of Bill Cayton is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Ave. Decatur, IL and Grady Fisher Funeral Home 111 E Monroe St, Williamsport, IN 47993 www.gradyfuneralhome.com. Please view the online obituary, send condolences, and share memories at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.




Events

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Visitation

 **Tuesday**, November 24, 2020


 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM CT


 **Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home**
2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur IL 62526



Funeral Service

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 10:00 AM CT

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RB

Randy Belcher posted:

I was so sorry to hear that Bill had passed away, I always enjoyed talking to him when I would walk our dog down the street. My deepest sympathies to his family and friends!

November 25 at 2:22 AM

MH

Melissa Hart lit a candle in honor of William.

My deepest sympathies on the passing of your sweet husband Gertrude. Nothing but fond memories of DANK Decatur and family friendships through the years. May God bless you and your family and give you strength and peace in the days ahead. Much love and hugs. Melissa (Machalek) Hart and family



November 24 at 7:29 AM

DH

David & Debbie Hahn posted:

Deb and I were just talking about Bill yesterday and we were shocked when we found this obit today. I worked with Bill in the plant engineering department at Delco Remy in Anderson, Indiana, and Albany, Georgia. We were great friends with Bill and Mary Helen and enjoyed our time together in Georgia. Bill was so enjoyable to be around with his humor and happiness for life. It has been a few years since I talked to him as he was wintering in Texas at that time. We went on a few golf trips together and always had a great time enjoying our shared passion for the game. Tim, Troy, Tracie and Gertrude our deepest sympathy to you all and your families. We loved Bill and send our love you all. David and Debbie Hahn
2 Timothy 4:6-8 [6] My life is being given as an offering for God. The time has come for me to leave this life here. [7] I have fought the good fight. I have finished the race. I have served the Lord faithfully. [8] Now, a prize is waiting for me—the crown that will show I am right with God.

November 23 at 6:08 PM



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Marsha Carter posted:

Bill was a man of God. He showed kindness and love to everyone he came in contact with. He would always greet you with a big smile when you walked through the door at church. RIP Bill. You will surely be missed.

November 22 at 2:40 AM



Leda Shelton November 22 at 12:14 PM

This man Bill Cayton was a very Dear and Special Family Friend to me ♥ him like a Father had some great moments when I come over and clean for him and gurty Such a Beautiful Lovely Special Couple he had a very special ☺ and always made you welcome R I P Bill God Only Takes The Best And He Sure Got A 😊♥😭😭 YaAlwaysLeda. 🙏 Hope 🙏



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Cayton family.



November 21 at 8:09 PM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Cayton family.



November 21 at 3:00 PM



Jean Nickels posted:

Carl and I want to express our sympathy to Gerti and family. Bill was so friendly and considerate to all and we will miss him greatly as I know you will Gerti. I know you will understand Gerti the reason we won't be able to attend the funeral as I am just not getting around that good yet. Take care. Jeanie and Carl N.

November 21 at 2:40 PM



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VF

Vicki Flatt posted:

He wasn't just my Father In Law for a bit of time...he was one of the best Men I've known! I will miss the catching up phone calls and the Good Morning texts...WHAT A WAY TO BRIGHTEN UP A DAY!!! Love to all!!! Love and will miss you so much!!! Vicki

November 21 at 6:04 AM

RH

Roger Huberty posted:

Condolences to Getty and the rest of the family. We were neighbors in South Texas and shared a few beers on the back porch. Very interesting guy. Rest In Peace Bill.

November 21 at 2:43 AM

CH

Carolyn Smith Hankins posted:

So sorry for your loss. My parents, Harold and Thelma Smith and my two sisters, Levada and Connie and I attended many of the Smith Reunions and we stayed with Aunt Bessie and Uncle Sandy. Wonderful memories of Joe and Jean and Bill. Love and prayers for your family.

November 20 at 6:41 PM

GF

Graceland Fairlawn shared an album called **Memories Album**.



November 20 at 2:11 PM



Media

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Graceland Fairlawn shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.

November 20 at 2:11 PM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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