



William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III

July 30, 1956 - October 15, 2021

William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III passed away on October 15, 2021 in Muskogee, OK. He was born on July 30, 1956 to William (Bill) H. Gilder, Jr. and Joan (Earnest) Gilder in Muskogee, OK.

He married Donna Elliott Gilder in Eureka Springs, AR on May 31, 2017.

Bill grew up in Muskogee and attended Harris Jobe Grade School. He attended Shuttuck Military Academy in Minnesota and then graduated from Muskogee High School.

Bill served in the United States Coast Guard. He worked at Coburn Optical, Tubular, The Foundry and started at Georgia Pacific in 1997 where he retired in July 2021.

Bill is preceded in death by his father, William (Bill) Gilder, Jr.; mother, Joan (Earnest) Gilder and nephew, Brian Story.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Elliott-Gilder of the home; daughter, Cristy McSpadden and husband Mike of Wainwright, OK; step-mother, Daryl Gilder of Punta Gorta, FL; brothers, Earnie Gilder and wife Marilyn of Muskogee, OK, Jack Rose of Broken Arrow, OK, Jeff Rose and wife Brenda of Rockville, MA; sisters, Tara Gilder Winner and husband Jim of Muskogee, OK, Susan Story and husband Steven of Punta Gorta, FL; grandsons, Blake Guthrie, Lane Thompson, Hunter Hammons; nephews, Wesley Gilder of Oklahoma City, OK, Kevin Rose of Austin, TX, Jake and wife Rose of Maryland; and niece, Samantha Story of Florida.

Funeral Services will be held 2:00 P.M., Monday, October 18, 2021 at

Christian Chapel Assembly of God in Muskogee, OK with Rev. Cecil Guthrie, Rev. Clarence Guthrie and Rev. Al Davis officiating. Interment will be held at Greenhill Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Lane Thompson, Blake Guthrie, Hunter Hammons, Mike McSpadden, Jack Rose and Chris Albrin. Honorary Pallbearers will be Earnie Gilder, Don Vermillion, Ronnie Ledford, Dale Boudreaux, Larry Bookout and Jarod Thomas.

Visitation will be at Cornerstone Funeral Home, 1830 N York St, Muskogee, OK 74403, on October 17, 2021 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 17. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory
1830 North York Street
Muskogee, OK 74403
(918) 682-1500

Service

OCT 18. 2:00 PM (CT)

Christian Chapel Church
4043 Chandler Rd.
Muskogee, OK 74403

Tribute Wall



“ *William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III*

October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *Mary Faruqi lit a candle in memory of William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III*



mary faruqi - October 19, 2021 at 11:32 AM



“ *I have so many fond memories of Bill from grade school at Harris Jobe. I'm so sorry for his loss.*

Sheri Featherston Womack

sheri Womack - October 19, 2021 at 10:04 AM



“ *Sharee (Stokes) and Burt Wells purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III.*



Sharee (Stokes) and Burt Wells - October 18, 2021 at 10:34 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III.



October 18, 2021 at 09:27 AM



“ From Kimberly (Dowell) Steed purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III.



From Kimberly (Dowell) Steed - October 17, 2021 at 07:19 PM



“ Suzy, Steve, Samantha, Daryl and Brian purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III.



Suzy, Steve, Samantha, Daryl and Brian - October 17, 2021 at 09:14 AM



“ 2 files added to the album Life Tributes



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - October 16, 2021 at 03:13 PM

SK

Bill and I were roommates at Shattuck for the first six weeks of our sophomore year. We tolerated each other then the school closed down some of the buildings due to low enrollment and they closed the wing where we were living. We got to choose new roommates when we moved to another building. An interesting side note was that before we moved we found out they had a boxing ring in the basement of our dorm. Bill challenged me to go a few rounds and I was agreeable until I found out he had some golden gloves boxing experience and training. I had none so I politely declined, a wise choice I would learn later. I am planning on attending Shattuck's all school reunion the first week of June this year and was kind of looking forward to seeing old classmates even though I only attended one year. I read in the school's magazine The Arch that Bill had passed away this past year. I found a different boarding school about 50 miles from my home and half the price of Shattuck and that's where I finished my high school years. Another interesting note is that my first wife really liked Oral Roberts the evangelist. We came to Tulsa on a yearly basis in the late 90's to the mid 2000's. I regret that I didn't take the time to drive down to rekindle some Shattuck memories. Maybe we could have had that canceled boxing match! PS, did you know his football nickname was night train? named after Night train Lane. Who and where gave him that name I can't tell you, but i thought it was a good one

Steve Kaldahl - May 17, 2022 at 06:47 PM



“ 46 files added to the album Life Tributes



Cornerstone Funeral Home and Crematory - October 16, 2021 at 01:05 PM

RL

“ Ron & Tammy Ledford purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III.



Ron & Tammy Ledford - October 16, 2021 at 12:54 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III.



October 16, 2021 at 12:49 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III.



October 16, 2021 at 12:38 PM

CM

“ My heart is broken. I have such fond memories of Bill. Donna sending love and prayers.

Cindi Moore - October 16, 2021 at 04:23 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III.*



October 15, 2021 at 10:17 PM



“ *Prayers for the family. May you feel the peace of God comforting you in the days and weeks ahead as you lean on Him for comfort and strength.*



Tim and Sheila Williams - October 15, 2021 at 09:07 PM



“ *May thoughts and prayers be with Bill's family. Bill worked for me when he first started at GP. I am so sorry to hear of his passing.*

Pam and Jeff Reganall

Pam Reganall - October 15, 2021 at 08:39 PM



“ *Pam Reganall lit a candle in memory of William Harrell "Bill" Gilder III*



Pam Reganall - October 15, 2021 at 08:36 PM