



William Earl Bunn

December 25, 1930 - March 9, 2019

An amazing man has left us and has gone to be with our Lord Jesus Christ. William Earl “Bill” Bunn, age 88, left his family and friends on March 9, 2019 after a brief illness and now rests in the comforting arms of our Savior. Mr. Bunn, a resident of Conyers, Georgia, was born December 25, 1930 in Wichita, Kansas. He grew up in Kansas and Oklahoma, graduating from Chanute High School in Chanute, Kansas in 1949. Bill graduated from Chanute Junior College in 1951 and from Wichita State University in 1953, receiving a degree in Business Administration. He married Barbara Beck on August 24, 1952 and they celebrated 67 years of marriage. She survives at their home. Bill was a member of the Smyrna Presbyterian Church in Conyers, Georgia.

After graduation, Bill entered the U.S. Navy, serving during the Korean Conflict on a destroyer in the Pacific Fleet where he attained the rank of LTJG. While in the Navy, he became interested in electronics which provided the foundation for his lifetime career. Upon leaving the Navy, he attended the University of Oklahoma receiving a degree in Electronic Engineering. He then joined the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) from which he retired in 1990 having served as the Chief of NADIN operations at the Air Traffic Control Center at Hampton, Georgia.

Bill enjoyed many hobbies including boating, fishing, amateur radio, and playing piano and organ. He was well known as an expert “fix-it” man. His many interests continued throughout his life. At the age of 72, he began riding

motorcycles and rode for several years with a local group. In the 1960's he built an electronic organ and in the 80's built his own personal computer long before computers were widely used. He was a self-taught man, always delving into "how to" sources for information. During the last months of his life, he was studying and practicing in an effort to learn to play the guitar.

Survivors include:

Wife:

Barbara Bunn of Conyers, GA

Children:

Benjamin J. Bunn of Conyers, GA

Teresa Braswell and husband Lee of Springfield, GA

Grandchildren:

Natalie Lange and husband Scott of Cypress, TX

Benjamin Bunn, Jr. of Spring, TX

Bryan Grantham of Springfield, GA

Leon Mincey of Conyers, GA

Joshua Mincey of Conyers GA

William Mincey of Springfield, GA

7 Great Grandchildren

Sister:

Doris Bunn McDermott of Charles Town, WVA

Niece:

Robin Blalack and husband Alan of WVA

Nephews:

Dr. Timothy McDermott and wife Becky of Louisville, KY

Stephen Bunn and wife Melanie of West Plains, MO

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, Earl and Audrey (Young) Bunn; and brother, Robert E. "Bob" Bunn.

A graveside service will be held at Memorial Park Cemetery in Chanute, Kansas on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. Chanute Honor Guard will

be in charge of military honors. Online condolences may be left at: www.countryside.com. Services have been entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home, 101 N. Highland, Chanute, KS 66720.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

E.. 14th St.
Chanute, KS 66720

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR **16.** 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ To the Bunn Family - Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. The NCCC Foundation Office.

Claudia Christiansen - March 15, 2019 at 10:10 AM

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“ Barbara - - just wanted you to know there are many who are thinking of you at this sad, sad time in your life. You were so lucky to have had Bill in your life!

With prayers and love,

Martha Finney Bross - CHS '54 (Sister of Janis)

Martha Finney Bross - March 14, 2019 at 12:07 PM

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Bill was my "big brother" and the sweetest guy on earth. An expert in so many fields, he worked tirelessly to instruct our brother Bob and me on subjects he thought we lacked adequate proficiency such as investments and high finance. In return, Bob always referred to him as Mr. Bunn, in tribute to his time spent as a naval officer. Both together now, but so sadly missed by those who loved them. Our prayers are with Barbara and her family now. Doris Bunn McDermott

Doris McDermott - March 15, 2019 at 11:04 AM