



Bill Williamson

October 19, 1925 - December 16, 2012

Bill Williamson, age 87, died Sunday morning, December 16, 2012, at his home.

A United States Army veteran, he was stationed in the Philippines and New Guinea during World War II. He visited the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. as part of the Honor Air Program. Mr. Williamson was also a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of 234 F & AM, the Scottish Rite and Kerbela Temple. In addition to his military service Mr. Williamson served his local community by representing the Fifth District as a Cocke County commissioner from 1990 until his death. He served two terms as chairman of the Commission and was currently serving and Chairman of the Finance Committee. He was known as a responsible steward of the county funds. He also served on the Cocke County Board of Education from 1964 until 1970. He was recognized as a Friend to Education. He was honored by having Smoky Mountain Elementary School Gym and Addition named for him. He was a strong supporter of Cosby High School Sports. After retiring from American Enka he worked part-time at Stinnett Motors. Mr. Williamson was a member of Laurel Springs Christian Church and later attended Cosby Missionary Baptist Church. At the 75th Anniversary Celebration of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park he was recognized as having been born in an area of Cocke County which would become a part of the park. He was the youngest of twelve children born to the late John and Elvira Williamson. Also preceding him in death was his wife of 61 years, Ruby McMahan Williamson.

He is survived by two daughters, Myra Lewis and husband Mike, Kathy McCarter, and one son Randall Smithpeters, five grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren. He has one surviving sister Zelma Jenkins. Also, surviving are special friends Jimmy and Dorothy Williamson, and several nieces, nephews and many other family and friends.

The family will receive friends from 4:00 pm until 6:45 pm Tuesday, December 18, 2012 in Manes Funeral Home Chapel. Masonic Service will be held at 6:45 pm, with funeral services at 7:00 pm, with Rev. Cleo Williamson and Dr. Charlie Boggan officiating.

Burial will be held 11:00 am, Wednesday, December 19, 2012 in Union Cemetery.

Family and friends may sign the guest register on line at: www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Manes Funeral Home in charge.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bill Williamson*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Kathy and Myra, so sorry to hear about your Dad, and sorry I couldn't be at the funeral. I had a commitment I could not get out of. My heart goes out to you both. My prayers are with you.*

Karen Bible - January 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bill and his family were a part of my family's life for as long as I can remember very well. Cosby and all of Cocke County should be very proud of having him belong to us. We are so sad to see him go but so proud that we had him in our lives for as long*

hilda Lovell - December 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bill did a lot for the county and especially for Cosby. He will be missed by all who knew him.*

Lloyd Cureton - December 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bill will be greatly missed by his friends on Cosby.*

John, Vida, Luke & Meredith Bell - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bill Williamson*

mansfield mcmahan - December 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ *Bill Williamson*

Robert and Martha Pack - December 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ *I remember Bill and his family from my childhood days at Laurel Springs. I extend my sincere condolences to the family.*

Margo Valentine - December 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ *All my sympathies to all Bill's family! I m so heart broken over his death. I love Bill and Ruby so dearly they were my inspiration and I am going to miss them both. My children were so crazy about them that is going to be so hard to tell them of his dea*

Rosalba Grooms - December 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *Sorry for your loss.*

Peggy W. Lane - December 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ *Kathy, So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with you .*

Sheryl Clevenger - December 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FE

“ *We were very sorry to hear of Bill's death. He was an honorable man who will be missed.*

Fletcher and Penny Ervin - December 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ *I have lost a real good friend.*

Joyce Woods - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ *Bill Williamson*

Bill Justus - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

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JANICE A BUTLER - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ *Bill Williamson*

CHARLENE JOHNSON - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *It seems the deepest feelings are the hardest to convey, But hopefully you'll understand what words can never say...So many thoughts are there with you in sympathy today. Love & Prayers with Deepest Sympathy, Jabo, Tammy, Madison & Montana*

Tammy Francis - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LO

“ *At a time when words are hard to find...just want you to know you're in our thoughts & prayers. With Deepest Sympathy, Lula & Ralph Ozmun*

Lula Ozmun - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ *Bill Williamson*

Linda D Clark - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *may God continue to bless&keep you in the loss of your loved one*

JAN&LYDIA CARR - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WV

“ *We were saddened to hear of the passing of Mr. Bill He will be missed and Fondly remembered for his kind and Friendly nature. He was such A nice gentleman. God Bless you all. Wayne and Nancy Valentine*

Wayne and Nancy Valentine - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *My deepest sympathies.*

David Grooms - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ *Bill Williamson*

Ray Fancher - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ *I'm so very sorry for your loss. We the public have lost a dedicated public servant who helped everyone he possibly could,even some who never knew of his help. Linnie Denton*

Linnie Denton - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ *Dedicated father, grandfather, great grandfather, fair just man and a gentlemen in every sense of the word. A Blessing to all who knew him.*

Beverly Denton - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ *Bill Williamson*

Mike & LeAnna Beeler - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NO

“ *I am for our loss.*

Nancy Matthews Owens - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ *Bill Williamson*

Wiley Morgan - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EE

“ *We are sorry for your loss.*

Earl & Ila Ruth Edmonds - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. He was a wonderful man and friend. He will be greatly missed.*

Debbie Solomon - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CW

“ *Myra and Family, So sorry for the loss of your loved one, You all will be in our thoughts and prayers. With Deepest Sympathy, Cindy Wise and Family*

Cindy Wise - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

GW

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G D Williams - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *We are sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Clyde & Carolyn Hill - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ *Spriggs we are so sorry to hear about your loss.*

Eddie&Tammy Carrell - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Bill Williamson*

Sylvia&Hal Brown - December 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ *We are so sorry for your loss you will be in our prayers.*

Pat & Patricia Mathis Taylor - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.*

Angel Fowler - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ Sorry to learn of your loss. We will keep the family in our thoughts and prayers.

Kay & Kim Gregg - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Sorry to learn of Bill's passing.

Allen Gregg - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ Sorry for your loss

Earl and Kathy Williamson Woody - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Myra and family, We are sorry to hear of your father's passing. We will be thinking of you in prayer in the days to come.

Michelle Crum & Luke Duncan - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Bill Williamson

D C & WILMA RAMSEY - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Sorry to hear of your loss. We regret that we can not be with you at this time but we are out of town and will not be able to get back in time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jack & Debbie Garver Baldwin - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ *Bill Williamson*

Louise & Jimmy Hux - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ *To all of the family, so sorry to hear of your loss. Bill will be missed by all that knew and loved him. May God offer all of you comfort in the days ahead.*

Louise (Gunter) Brown - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. I worked several years with Bill at American Enka (BASF). He was such a nice person. My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this sad and difficult time.*

Peggy (Turner) Freshour - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Our Deepest Sympathy Doug and Joyce Shoemaker*

Doug & Joyce Shoemaker - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *May God wrap His loving arms around each of you during this sad time. May you find comfort and peace in His presence. Rosa, Donnie and Chris Sutton and Bea S. Brady*

Rosa Sutton - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ *Bill Williamson*

Steve Webb - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Bill Williamson*

KATHY AND BUDDY BARNETT - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EW

“ *Myra & Kathy, So sorry to hear of Uncle Bills passing. I got to see him a couple of months ago and I am so glad I did. He always reminded me so much of daddy. I know daddy, maw and paw, your mom, ava, and go many other relatives and friends were in heav*

Elaine Williamson - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ *Thinking of you during this difficult time.*

Dale and Nancy Raines - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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CW

“ *Uncle Bill, You were always so kind to us and always made time for us. Since your brother Kelly, my father, died you have been almost like a father to me and my brother and sisters. May God bless you and receive you into His kingdom.*

CHARLES WILLIAMSON - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *Willard & Mary Taylor*

Mary Taylor - December 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM