



Bill Hodge

November 11, 1946 - August 29, 2010

Billy Gene Hodge, 63, of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, died August 29, 2010, near Eureka Springs, Arkansas. Born November 30, 1946, in Los Angeles, California, he was the son of Elmer Hodge and Louise Davis Hodge. Billy was an Army veteran of the Vietnam War. He moved from California in 1984 and was owner/operator of Quality Drywall in Siloam Springs. He was heavily involved in Sager Creek Arts Center in Siloam Springs. On July 2, 1982, he married Susan Schanuel in Lone, California. Billy was preceded in death by his parents, and one brother, Elmer Hodge. Survivors include his wife Susan of Siloam Springs; one daughter, Lori Lynn and husband Ron of Ukiah, California; two grandchildren, Shelby Powers and Alexis Powers. A number of nieces and nephews; and a number of brother and sister in-laws. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Thursday, September 2, 2010, at Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas, with family and friends officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery, Siloam Springs. Visitation will be 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 1, 2010, at Wasson Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Sager Creek Arts Center of Siloam Springs.

Tribute Wall

MS

“ We are so sorry to hear of Bill's death. It is such a loss to SCAC, the community, all of us friends, and of course to you, Susan. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time. He was a great friend and such a joy to be around. He will be missed.

Mary Frances Edwards and Dana Snodgress - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

JG

“ We've known Bill for a number of years. He sheetrocked our house when we built it.
We both enjoyed knowing Bill over the years. He always was friendly and had a smile for everyone he met. His passing is a lose to our community.

Jess and Nellie Goodman - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

JC

“ Susan,
We are sorry to hear about your loss.
Bill was a super person, he will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jim and Esta faye Combs - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

MW

“ Susan, I am so sorry. We just got in from New Mexico at 5:00 PM Thursday 9-2. Pete told us what happen. I love you so much and we loved Bill too even though we did not see each other often. Please Do not hesitate to call if you you need any help with anything. Our prayers are with you.

Mike and Judy Weeks - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

TJ

“ Tom worked on some of the same jobs with Bill and I got acquainted with Bill and Susan at the Siloam Springs Rehab when they visited Bill's Mother at the rehab. He was a nice man. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family during this sad time. God Bless

Tom and Sue Jones - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

NL

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Susan and the rest of the family. He really did enjoy life. He will be missed. We can only take comfort knowing that our Heavenly Father always knows best and will always be there for us. We have to put our faith and trust in him.

Norma Lucas - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

JH

“ I was so impressed by Bill's spirit and smile...He will be missed.

Joel C. Harris - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

JL

“ Bill was a good friend @ he well be miss Our prayers @ our thoughts well be with family

Jimmy@Nancy Leach - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

WW

“ Bev and I are so sorry for your loss Susan. We first met Bill 12 years ago when he drywalled our house. He was a real craftsman. We had a lightning strike a few years later and even though Bill was not active in the business, he kindly helped us, and did a superb job. He could do no less than superb. From time to time we would see you and Bill, and both of you have always been so friendly.

Our definition of Bill is a "nice guy." I'm sure that one day we will look up this definition, and his picture will be there.

We must miss the funeral because of a pre-op dr. appointment, but our thoughts and prayers will be with you, Susan, and of course we will pray that through the mercy of Christ his soul will rest in peace.

Willie & Bev Williams

Willie & Bev Williams - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

LO

“ Dear Hodge Family,
I would like to send my condolences. It can be extremely difficult to lose a loved one. That is why I wanted to share the hope found in the bible, the hope of the resurrection. Jesus stated at John 5:28,29 "The hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will come out." And at Revelation 21:3,4 it states that there will be a time when "...death will be no more."

These scriptures give us hope for the future as respects to our dead loved ones. Those scriptures have brought comfort to me and I hope it does the same for your family.

With Love,
Loren

Loren - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

CH

“ Bill was a ray of sunshine for everyone he met. He had the greatest smile, positive attitude, and such a way with people! He touched my life when he worked with me at the hospital, acted with my daughter, Shelley at SCAC, and my husband Ike taught him to fly! He blessed so many!! Some make greeters at Wal-Mart. Bill will surely be a greeter at the pearly gates!! My heart goes out to Susan and his family!!

Sincerely,
Cheryl Hill

Cheryl Hill - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

PJ

“ I've thought about Bill a lot today. Drywall business, our wives' sorority, theater and parties. I have especially fond memories of Bill and in the the play, "Run for Your Wife." Gosh! We had such fun in rehearsals and fun in the play. Bill was always the life of the party. Not the center of it, but he was the one that always gave it life. I remember how proud of his new home and especially the knotty-pine room and all the trouble he went to to get that room just right. God Bless....

Paul Joseph - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

PS

“ Susan, we will be in prayer for you and the family during this time and hope you can remember the good times with Bill. We wish you the best and lean heavily on my Sis and God to get you through this sad time.

Pat & Elbert Southall - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

SB

“ I meet Bill for a New Warrior Weekend retreat in 1996..He was in my cabin and we hit it off as soon as we meet. I injured my leg during an exercise and I was unable to keep up with the other men or to move very quickly without pain. He walked with me the rest of the weekend and held me up when I was having difficulty. Others went ahead and hurried but Bill stayed with me and we made our way together with his help.For the rest of the weekend we were arm and arm almost as a team and I am proud to have shared his spirit and love for those few days. I gave him one of my first carved sticks as a remembrance and Later On many years after that he meet my son and he told him about our weekend together and complimented me to my young son. That meant the world to me and I just wanted to share how this special man touched me so deeply in just a short time of being together. I wish his family and friends much peace and I am sorry I was not there to assist him and to care for him as he did for me and I am sure so many others. I know he will be missed and I will think of him in a good way and remember him often.

Steve Brunk - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

ED

“ My heart goes out to Susan & her family.

Thank you, for sharing your husband & father with all who crossed his path. He always had a smile and kind words to express to all who came to know him. Bill will be remembered for having a kind heart. He always took time to come see the residents in the nursing home, and he would always give a hand when needed.

Bill you will always be remembered for being a very special man.

Eddie - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

SC

“ Thank you Bill, for blessing us with your talent, your smile, and many years of wonderful performances! We will miss you terribly. This quote is from the show "Harvey" which Bill starred as Elwood P. Dowd:

"Harvey and I sit in the bars... have a drink or two... play the juke box. And soon the faces of all the other people they turn toward mine and they smile. And they're saying, "We don't know your name, mister, but you're a very nice fella." Harvey and I warm ourselves in all these golden moments. We've entered as strangers - soon we have friends. And they come over... and they sit with us... and they drink with us... and they talk to us. They tell about the big terrible things they've done and the big wonderful things they'll do. Their hopes, and their regrets, and their loves, and their hates. All very large, because nobody ever brings anything small into a bar. And then I introduce them to Harvey... and he's bigger and grander than anything they offer me. And when they leave, they leave impressed. The same people seldom come back; but that's envy, my dear. There's a little bit of envy in the best of us."

-Sager Creek Arts Center

Sager Creek Arts Center - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

JD

“ You were the one person that Could calm me down. You taught me many things about running an organization. You were there when others turned their backs. Bill My Brother you will be Missed, but never Forgotten. May God watch over Susan, and the rest of your family . May he welcome you into Heaven with open arms. Rest in Peace Soldier yout Tour is Over Until I join you on Heavens streets I will never forget the lessons you taught. You were a true Brother. You sttod by Amanda and I during some tough times and guided us through . Helped us many times. My Family will miss you

James Dickey - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

PR

“ Susan, we are so saddened by Bill's death. He was such a special man; so kind, so positive, never without a huge smile. His presence in our family will missed so very much. Please know that we are praying for you and we know that although you are grieving, you will surely celebrate his life.

All our love,
Paul and Marilyn

Paul and Marilyn Rothwell - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

DA

“ Susan, so sorry for your loss. Was glad I got to see Bill last month-- wished we would have gone fishing more. Let me know if I can help you in any way -- now or next year. Love, Dave

Dave - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

PE

“ Bill was a great man and he will be greatly missed. I know the SCAC community will miss him terribly.

May God grant you peace of mind through this time. Enjoy your time of remembering him and celebrating his life.

Patti Eiland - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

LW

“ Billy knew how to live. Never a bad word for anyone or anything. Always upbeat, happy and eager for the next adventure. An example to us all. He will be so missed.

Larry & Diane Winder - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

MS

“ *Bill was a great Uncle and will be missed.*

Mike, Kelly Jones & Monica Six - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

SC

“ *Bill is a friend that will never be forgotten. He always had a smile and a kind word whenever you met him. Bill had such a sweet spirit about him and he will truly be missed by everyone that knew him. There are just never enough words to say at a time like this that will ease your pain. Susan we will be praying that God will cover you with His amazing grace. Lean on Him as you go through this time of loss. You're in our prayers. Much love Steve and Mary Cox*

Steve and Mary Cox - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

JM

“ DO NOT STAND AT MY
GRAVE AND WEEP

*Do not stand at my grave and weep,
I am not there, I do not sleep.*

*I am a thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamond glint on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle autumn rain.*

*When you wake in the morning hush,
I am the swift, uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circling flight.
I am the soft starlight at night.*

*Do not stand at my grave and weep.
I am not there, I do not sleep.
Do not stand at my grave and cry.
I am not there, I did not die!*

*Do not stand at my grave and weep.
I am not there, I do not sleep.*

*I am the song that will never end.
I am the love of family and friend.
I am the child who has come to rest
In the arms of the Father
who knows him best.*

*When you see the sunset fair,
I am the scented evening air.
I am the joy of a task well done.
I am the glow of the setting sun.*

Do not stand at my grave and weep.

*I am not there, I do not sleep.
Do not stand at my grave and cry.
I am not there, I did not die!
~ Author Unknown ~*

Jackie McCard - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

JL

“*Dearest friend, there are no words to express my sadness. We will miss your kind, gentle spirit, your ready smile, your positive outlook on life, and oh, so many more things. The community was ever brightened by your willingness to help.*

Susan and the family, please know that you are in my prayers, and that your pain is shared by a multitude of people who were touched by Bill's life. Please contact me if you need anything at all.

Jan Lauderdale - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM