



William Johnathan Stewart Jr.

October 3, 1926 - April 6, 2024

William Johnathan “Bill” Stewart, Jr., 97, of Fayetteville, Arkansas, died on April 6, 2024. He was born on October 3, 1926, in Stephenville, Texas to William Johnathan, Sr. and Nellie (Sims) Stewart before Northwest Arkansas became home at the age of three.

Bill was an Army Air Corp veteran and proudly served our country during WWII. Following his military service, Bill hauled milk for local farmers to the Pet Milk plant in Siloam Springs, AR and also worked for the International Harvester dealer in Siloam Springs before starting a 30-year career as a parts man for Bell International in Springdale. In November of 1950, Bill married his sweet “Betty Lou.” They celebrated 73 years of marriage last November. Bill was a faithful member of Cross Church in Springdale for 65 years. He had a passionate love for gardening and could be found playing dominoes most every day if he had a willing opponent. Bill was an integral member of the Butterfield Trail Village community for more than 21 years, even earning awards for his volunteer service in the recycling program. Bill will be remembered most as a faithful Christian, devoted husband, loving father and “Pappaw,” and loyal friend.

Bill is survived by his wife Betty (Holt) Stewart; sons, Johnathan “Mark” and wife Amy Stewart of Louisville, Kentucky, and Ray and wife Anita Stewart of Springdale, Arkansas; brother, Dan and wife Lou Stewart of Siloam Springs,

Arkansas; five grandchildren, Monica Stewart, Phillip Stewart and wife Heather, Matthew Stewart and wife Courtney, Alyssa Stewart, and Katie Day and husband Grant; nine great-grandchildren, Willow, Titus, Mercy, Levi, Haven, Autumn, Shepherd, Eden, and Kai; nephews, Chris and Jeff Stewart; and niece Virginia Lea Abshere, as well as many beloved friends and caregivers at Butterfield Trail Village.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, April 12, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. at Cross Church in Springdale with pastors Charlie Foster and Matthew Stewart officiating. A visitation will be held beforehand from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Burial will follow at Oak Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to an organization Bill loved, the Arkansas Baptist Children's Home, 9701 W. Markham St., Little Rock, AR 72205, or the ministries of Cross Church, 1709 Johnson Road, Springdale, AR 72762. To sign the online guestbook, please visit www.wassonfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

2122 W. University St.
Siloam Springs, AR 72761

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 12. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Cross Church
1709 Johnson Rd, Springdale
Springdale, AR 72762

Funeral

APR 12. 11:30 AM (CT)

Cross Church
1709 Johnson Rd, Springdale
Springdale, AR 72762

Burial

APR 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

Oak Hill Cemetery
2122 W. University St.
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Tribute Wall

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“ I worked with Bill at Bell International from ‘78-‘80. Then, I worked with Betty at JTL from ‘80-‘91. They are the ultimate examples of good Christians and kind and friendly people. I was honored to know Bill and to express my deepest sympathy to his family.
Barbara Bell

Barbara Bell - April 11, 2024 at 06:19 PM

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“ Tim and Diana DeLaney purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of William Johnathan Stewart Jr..



Tim and Diana DeLaney - April 11, 2024 at 10:06 AM