



Willis Hildy

June 9, 1921 - March 21, 2010

Willis John Wesley Hildy of Siloam Springs, Arkansas died Sunday March 21, 2010. He was born June 9, 1921 at Morris Illinois to Chester A. and Ethyl Mae Hughes Hildy. "Bud" as known by his friends attended Illinois State Normal University. His schooling was interrupted by the news of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. He immediately volunteered and started training as a cadet. It was during this time that he married Elizabeth Anne Meyers. He was sent over seas with the 456th Heavy Bombardment Air Group, stationed at Foggia, Italy. After his return to the United States, Bud joined the Reserves and the Central Intelligence Agency in Chicago and was commissioned a second lieutenant. Bud worked in the packaging business with, Rathborn-Hair-Ridgway, Weyerhaeuser, and then Horner Box Company which became the International Paper Company. Bud married Roberta Allen in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1970. They made their home in Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Bud was known for his clock collection numbering 49 which he repaired and restored. Survivors include his wife Roberta of the home; two sons, Thomas A. Hildy and James M. Hildy; four grandchildren and four step children, William Allen, Jack R. Allen, Barbara Smith and Julie Lee. No services are planned at this time. Interment will be at Sample Cemetery, Morris, Illinois.

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“ Just letting you know all my thoughts and prayers are with you. Bud was a wonderful person with a great heart and a giving nature . I met him when I was a child floating in a raft down Flint creek He and Bobbie had no problem taking us bored kids with them we had wonderful times along the creek with the pair, they were great friend with my whole family .He will surely be missed by anyone who was blessed with his frienship.

Tia Wing (Salisbury) - September 19, 2012 at 01:09 PM

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Tom and Jim - Bud was like an uncle to me. My mom and aunt (Caroline Schultz Ferme and June Schultz) were friends with Bud and Betty since college days. I have fond memories of their visits to my family in IL and our visits to Omaha and Tulsa. Bud was an honorary family member. I loved him very much.

Cathy Ferme Duehr - December 06, 2019 at 12:14 AM

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I have thought of you and your family often through the years. I didn't know that he had passed away, as have Caroline (1988) and June (2009).

Cathy Ferme Duehr - December 06, 2019 at 12:19 AM

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“ I enjoyed getting to know Mr. Hildy through my place of work, Arvest Bank. My sympathy goes out to his family.

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