



William "Bill" P. Hawk

December 13, 1955 - May 6, 2025

William "Bill" Paul Hawk was born on December 13, 1955 in Aurora, IL to William Howard and Darlene Mary (Hanson) Hawk. He graduated from Copperas Cove High School in Texas in 1974.

After graduating, Bill worked as a manager for Killeen Auto Color in Killeen, TX. In 1986, he moved to Omaha, NE, first working at an auto parts store before beginning work as a Pharmacy Tech. He worked as a tech for many years, both at Nebraska Medical Center and Children's Hospital, where he specialized in the IV Room.

In his free time, Bill did crossword puzzles, was an avid reader, enjoyed war and Western movies, and was a skilled woodworker. Bill was very detailed, which helped him in crafting beautiful model boats, spending a year or more on each one to make sure it was perfect.

Bill had many nieces and nephews; the children all loved Bill and gave him the nickname of "Uncle Pig." He had a great sense of humor, a quick wit, and was also incredibly smart and determined. Bill showed a great amount of dedication to any job he was doing.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, William and Darlene Hawk, and his sister, Vicki Hawk. Bill is survived by his sister, Lynn (Larry) Broermann;

brother, Robert Hawk; sister, Cindy (Gene) Sellers; and many nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Memorials may be directed to the Buffett Cancer Center at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Tribute Wall

HS

“ I am deeply saddened to hear of Bill's passing. He and I worked together at Killeen Auto Color during the '70s, '73 thru '79, I think, along with Larry Knight. The three of us made quite a good team! Bill and I roomed together for a while, had many mutual friends, and shared lots of times and events through the years. I've not since met a more clever guy, and Larry and I have recently discussed what a sensitive human being he was, something young men don't really dwell on, but now see as a great quality. Alas, we parted ways, lost touch, and now must rely solely on memories. I pray that the family may soon remember Bill with smiles, not tears. Rest in peace, Bill.

Hanes A. Segler - May 18, 2025 at 01:57 PM

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I can echo much of what Hanes said. I worked with Bill and Hanes at Killeen Auto Color from 1973-1977. The three of us built the business from the ground up. We were all young and sported long hair Tshirts, bell bottoms (or cutoffs when it was warm), but we worked hard and worked well together.

Bill decided he could make some money rebuilding spray paint guns: Binks and Devilbiss. They were a mystery to me, but Bill stayed with it until he mastered the mechanics of them. His rebuilds were as good as the new ones we sold.

Bill was funny and easy to work with and got along well with all our customers.

It's probably been 25 years since I spoke with Bill on the phone. He was doing lab work at a hospital, as I remember, and he talked of how exacting he had to be. If his rebuilt paint guns are any indication, I'm sure the patients were in good hands.

Larry Knight - May 18, 2025 at 02:19 PM