



William Gerald Davis

July 29, 1940 - October 29, 2020

Memorials to United Faith Community Church or Men of Faith

William Gerald (Bill) Davis was born on July 29, 1940 in Omaha, Nebraska. He grew up in South Omaha, and attended Omaha South High School where he was a member of the wrestling team. A good athlete, Bill placed 2nd individually at the Nebraska state wrestling tournament in his junior year.

Foregoing his senior year of high school, Bill enlisted in the United States Navy in 1958 and served his country for three years as a boson's mate on the USS Fetchler, making exotic port of call in the Philippines and Japan. When Bill returned to Omaha after his military service, he took a job as a wrangler moving cattle around the South Omaha meat packing plant feedlots on horseback, where his legacy as a real life cowboy and a lifelong love of westerns began.

In 1965 Bill was also an up and coming Golden Gloves boxer when he met and married Carolyn Wilson. To provide for a family, Bill started what turned into a 50 year career as a trucker. Bill and Carolyn raised their family in the Dundee area of Omaha. Bill was an engaged father, a hands-on teacher, and an active supporter of his children's activities. He maintained close, long-term relationships with many of his childhood friends.

Bill married Josephine (Jo) Ennis in 1992. Their union brought together a blended family of 8. Bill and Jo started a successful trucking company, B&J Provisions, and built what is now the family home in Leshara, Nebraska. They enjoyed traveling together while Bill was on the road, attending rodeos, and dancing. Bill was an engaged grandparent, following and supporting the activities of his grandchildren. In their later years they took to wintering in Texas where they enjoyed attending “cowboy church” and making new friends.

Bill was a lovable, generous man of few words. He loved sports, outdoor activities, and animals of all kind. Bill was an avid fan of the Huskers, Royals and Chiefs. He enjoyed listening to country western music and tinkering in his shop. He savored fresh fish and a good steak. He enjoyed a bowl of popcorn. He rarely missed out on dessert.

Bill passed away on Thursday, October 29, 2020 at the age of 80 years and 3 months, family by his side. He was preceded in death by his parents William and Betty, his sister Deanna, and his stepson Rodney (Rod) Ennis. Bill is survived by: his wife Jo; his children Cory and Danita Davis of San Francisco, CA, Raquel Jones of Seattle, WA, Matt Davis of Seattle, WA, Randy and Cindy Ennis of Omaha and Julie and Doug Brudny of Valley, NE; his 9 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Reichmuth Funeral Home - Omaha / Elkhorn
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Reichmuth Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of William Gerald Davis*



Reichmuth Funeral Home - November 01, 2020 at 12:53 PM



“ *William Gerald Davis*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of William Gerald Davis.*



November 03, 2020 at 10:02 AM

MM

“ Our sincere condolences to the Family. Diane and I have always enjoyed Bill's kindness and good conversation. We know our grandchildren loved and thought the most of their Great Grandfather, as they also do with their Great Grandmother Jo. Keep a watchful smile on them and all of your family from the skies above.

God Bless!

Mike and Diane Malmstrom

Mike Malmstrom - November 02, 2020 at 10:47 AM

JN

“ Sharing moments of Bible Study at the UFCC was special with your kindness and understanding. Praying for your friends and relatives as we give thanks for all the memories and Blessings you have provided. Amen!

Friend - John Niemoth

John Niemoth - November 01, 2020 at 09:09 PM



“ Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Gerald Davis.



November 01, 2020 at 04:34 PM

MD

“ *Bill and his Sister Deanna*



Matt Davis - November 01, 2020 at 02:36 PM

LS

They stuck together through thick and thin. Hopefully they are together again. He was a good man. My mother lived him very much. I am praying for you all.

Lora Saldivar - November 01, 2020 at 03:24 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of William Gerald Davis.*



November 01, 2020 at 11:58 AM

VF

“ *Virg & Judy Gottsch & families purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of William Gerald Davis.*



Virg & Judy Gottsch & families - October 31, 2020 at 11:50 AM

MD

“ *Bill and Wife Josephine (Jo)*



Matt Davis - October 31, 2020 at 10:28 AM

RJ

“ *Granpa & Peanut* ❤️



Raquel Jones - October 31, 2020 at 09:44 AM

RJ

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Raquel Jones - October 31, 2020 at 09:34 AM

MD

“ *William and 1st wife Carolyn*



Matt Davis - October 30, 2020 at 08:53 PM

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Matt Davis - October 30, 2020 at 07:49 PM

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Wedding - 2-14-1992 William, wife Josephine (Jo) and their blended family

Matt Davis - October 30, 2020 at 08:54 PM

MD

“ *3 files added to the album Memories Album*



Matt Davis - October 30, 2020 at 07:37 PM

MD

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



matt davis - October 30, 2020 at 07:17 PM