



Bill Atwood

November 17, 1946 - June 25, 2017

MATOAKA – William Howard “Bill” Atwood, 70, of Matoaka, died suddenly on Sunday, June 25, 2017 from injuries sustained in an accident. Born November 17, 1946 at Dott, he was the son of the late Hampton Atwood and Vera Graham Atwood Honn.

Mr. Atwood served in the United States Army from 1964-1971 where he completed two tours in Vietnam and finished his service as a Sergeant. Most of his working days were spent as a coal miner and a construction worker.

Often called “Wild Bill”, he was well known for his happy-go-lucky personality and for making people lighten up and laugh. He enjoyed life and was faithful to keep in touch with his family and friends through regular phone calls and visits.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his stepfather, Frank Honn; two brothers, Robert Lawrence Atwood and Hampton Leslie Atwood; one brother-in-law, Jim Beck; and one stepdaughter, Sherry Brown.

Bill has a large family left to cherish his memory including his stepfamily that he thought of as his own. Survivors include his companion of 27 years, Marsha Howell of the home; two brothers, Keith Atwood and his wife Betty of Princeton and Rick Atwood and his wife Arlene of Lashmeet; three sisters,

Roxie Hufford and her husband Hudson of Springfield, OH, Norma Beck of Eubank, KY and Debi Haney and her husband Barry of Grand Blanc, MI; one step-sister, Kathy Honn of Concord, CA; two sisters-in-law, Judy Atwood of Bluefield and Evelyn Atwood of Beeson; two stepsons, Adam Howell and his wife Heather and Jimmy Keffer all of Matoaka; three step-granddaughters, Alicia Howell and companion Alan Vest, Madison Howell, and Heather Brown; step-great-grandchildren, Allison, Chloe, Devin, Jaelynn, Avannah, and Eli; and mother-in-law, Helen Bailey all of Matoaka; Over twenty nieces and nephews and a host of extended family also survive.

A funeral service will be at 7:00 p.m. Friday, June 30, 2017 at the Rowland H. Bailey Funeral Chapel with Pastor Norman Mills and Brian Atwood officiating. Military rites will be conducted by the Mercer County Veterans Honor Guard. Honoring Bill's request the body will be cremated following the service with inurnment at the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin, Virginia.

Friends may visit with the family from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Friday, June 30 at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Viet Nam Veterans of America, Chapter 628, P. O. Box 5295, Princeton, WV 24740.

Arrangements by Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. To view a video tribute or send the family online condolences please visit www.bailey-kirk.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **30**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home
1612 Honaker Avenue
Princeton, WV 24740
(304) 425-8176
info@bailey-kirk.com
<https://www.bailey-kirk.com>

Funeral Service

JUN **30**. 7:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bill Atwood



Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home - June 30, 2017 at 03:42 PM



“ Bill Atwood

December 27, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ My family will miss Bill greatly. My girls and I always looked forward to seeing him on our visits to West Virginia. He was a funny, caring man. He always made me smile, he has made a lasting impression on my family. He will be missed!

Rhonda Kazmierczak (Graham) and family

Rhonda Kamierczak - July 06, 2017 at 04:09 PM



“ Marsha, I am so sorry for your loss. I pray for peace and comfort for you and the family.

Love and prayers, Sherry Graham

Sherry Graham - July 02, 2017 at 10:29 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Bill Atwood.



June 29, 2017 at 06:42 PM



“ Sorry for your loss Marsha, and Allisha, always a welcoming smile, it will surely be missed.
Rev Kevin Farmer and family

Kevin Farmer - June 29, 2017 at 04:09 PM



“ RIP Bill, prayers for the family.



Daisy Dwyer - June 29, 2017 at 09:13 AM



“ MY THOUGHTS AND PRAYRES ARE WITH THE FAMILIE



MARTINA BOWEN - June 29, 2017 at 08:40 AM

BH

“ *Brenda And Clifford Hall sent a virtual gift in memory of Bill Atwood*



Brenda and Clifford Hall - June 28, 2017 at 04:01 PM

BH

I will miss seeing Bill at the Lashmeet Post when I see him I always called him Mr.Atwood he would tell me he not Mr. Atwood he was Bill he will be missed.

Brenda and Clifford Hall - June 28, 2017 at 04:08 PM

DP

“ *RIP we just talk with you happy go lucky you will be missed*



Debbie and Dewey Phillips - June 28, 2017 at 12:23 PM

VW

“ *Veronica W. purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Bill Atwood.*



Veronica W. - June 28, 2017 at 10:51 AM

BJ

“ *Barry And Rina Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Bill Atwood*



Barry and Rina Jenkins - June 28, 2017 at 07:12 AM

BJ

Such a warm hearted good natured man. He will be missed

Barry and Rina Jenkins - June 28, 2017 at 07:14 AM

BA

“ *Sorry for your loss. My memory of Bill was the funny thing he would do or say. And the most was when him and Jack Coburn would plot on someone to get them caught doing something that would make everyone laugh. He will be a joy in heaven. God Bless you all.*

Barb - June 28, 2017 at 06:59 AM

BD

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I truly will miss him.*

Beverly Delp - June 28, 2017 at 06:51 AM

AM

“ *Bill will truly be missed..*



Arlene & Buddy Midkiff - June 28, 2017 at 06:28 AM

SS

“ *I miss you so much Bill I have always considered you family and you have always been there for everyone and we all love you as if you are family or not.*



samantha stables - June 27, 2017 at 08:37 PM

 Casey Belcher

“ *Prayers and hugs*



Casey Belcher - June 27, 2017 at 08:29 PM

CH

“ *You will be missed Bill. Prayers to all of your family.*

Carol Harman - June 27, 2017 at 08:28 PM



“ *Bill was a gentle man,, heart of gold,, a good friend,,he will be missed prayers for the family....*



Brenda Shrader - June 27, 2017 at 08:10 PM

RF

“ *Rebecca Huffman Rye And Family lit a candle in memory of Bill Atwood*



Rebecca Huffman Rye and Family - June 27, 2017 at 06:40 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Bill Atwood.*



June 27, 2017 at 06:40 PM

DJ

“ *David And Joey.Matthews. lit a candle in memory of Bill Atwood*



David and Joey.Matthews. - June 27, 2017 at 05:36 PM

PM

“ *Peggy Matthews sent a virtual gift in memory of Bill Atwood*



Peggy Matthews - June 27, 2017 at 05:35 PM

BB

Bobby & Martha Beasley

Bobby Beasley - June 27, 2017 at 06:58 PM

PM

“ *Pete @.Peggy Matthews sent a virtual gift in memory of Bill Atwood*



Pete @.Peggy Matthews - June 27, 2017 at 05:35 PM

DF

“ *Dean Shrewsbury And Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Bill Atwood*



Dean shrewsbury and family - June 27, 2017 at 05:07 PM



“ *Carrie Shrewsbury lit a candle in memory of Bill Atwood*



Carrie Shrewsbury - June 27, 2017 at 05:07 PM

DF

“ *Dean Shrewsbury And Family lit a candle in memory of Bill Atwood*



Dean shrewsbury and family - June 27, 2017 at 04:53 PM



“ *Rest in peace Bill*



Jenny Coomes - June 27, 2017 at 04:41 PM

DF

“ *To a wonderful guy who always had a joke or just picked he wild Bill we are going to miss that laugh the picking if you was around bill and was down in dumps he just new what to say to make you come out of the dumps he had you laughing and the whole time he was around you was laughing Wild Bill you will be missed by everyone who knew you R.I.P Wild Bill*



Denise Farmer - June 27, 2017 at 04:28 PM



“ Tammy Cole sent a virtual gift in memory of Bill Atwood



Tammy Cole - June 27, 2017 at 04:28 PM



“ Tammy Cole lit a candle in memory of Bill Atwood



Tammy Cole - June 27, 2017 at 04:27 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of your Great Loss... No more suffering, RIP Bill... My thoughts and Prayers are with you...



Joy Baley - June 27, 2017 at 03:59 PM



“ Jessica Farmer lit a candle in memory of Bill Atwood



Jessica Farmer - June 27, 2017 at 03:02 PM

RC

“ *Randall And Connie Cook sent a virtual gift in memory of Bill Atwood*



Randall and Connie Cook - June 27, 2017 at 03:01 PM

RC

He will always be remembered RIP my friend.

Randall and Connie Cook - June 27, 2017 at 03:04 PM

RM

Good by my friend Bill. He used to come to visit my mom Lotis Mills and she loved him like a son. Rev. Randy Mills Lynchburg VA

Randy Mills - June 27, 2017 at 04:29 PM



I am so sorry. I've never met a sweeter, kind-hearted and jovial person than Bill. He was a wonderful man. Prayers for his family.

Mary Mckinney - June 28, 2017 at 01:12 PM