



William R. Easton

October 5, 1935 - August 14, 2019

William (Bill) R. Easton, 83, of East Peoria, IL, and Bonita Springs, FL, died peacefully Wednesday, August 14, 2019, at Inspired Living in Bonita Springs, FL. He was born October 5, 1935 in Toledo, IL, a son of the late Roy and Margaret (Elder) Easton.

After graduating high school at age 17, Bill began his career at Caterpillar Tractor Company in East Peoria, retiring from there 30 years later, in 1983.

He was an active member of both Roland Manor Baptist Church in Washington, IL, and First Baptist Church of Estero in Estero, FL.

He is survived by his loving wife of 62 years, Dorothy; two daughters, Ranee (Scott) Reynolds of Westminster, CO and Christine (Randy) Gilmore of Estero, FL; two brothers, Robert and Roy of IL; 3 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service to celebrate his life will be held Saturday, October 5, 2019, (his 84th birthday) at 11:00 AM at Roland Manor Baptist Church, 2433 Washington Rd., Washington, IL, 61571, with Pastor Steve Hardin, officiating. Visitation will be held one hour before the service. .A luncheon will be held in the fellowship hall following the service. Burial will be held following the luncheon in Spring Bay Cemetery, Spring Bay, IL.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations in memory of Bill be made to Roland Manor Baptist Church.

To sign his guest register or to leave online condolences please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

Cemetery Details

Spring Bay Cemetery

121 Cemetery Rd.
Spring Bay, IL 61611

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Roland Manor Baptist Church
2433 Washington Rd.,
Washington, IL 61571

Memorial Service

OCT 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

Roland Manor Baptist Church
2433 Washington Rd.,
Washington, IL 61571

Tribute Wall



“ *William R. Easton*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Dear Dorothy and girls, we think of you folks often and remember your last visit when you were down for Bill's class reunion. He hollered in the door " this is the fellow who used to live here, is anyone home??" We hollered back "this is the folks who live here now" He was always so jolly and good natured!! We are sorry for his passing and thinking of all of you. Annie and Joe Brandenburg*

Ann Brandenburg - October 01, 2019 at 03:29 PM



“ *May God give you strength during this sad time. I would have come to the service if I was not out of state. My memories are from Roland Manor and of the time, Dorothy, you came to my dad's service. Blessings to you and your family. Sincerely, Christina Brhel Flynn*



Mrs c flynn - September 27, 2019 at 12:20 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William R. Easton.*



September 26, 2019 at 07:45 AM

DD

“ I remember playing cards with them when we were both newly married. We had many fun times together and my former husband and Bill worked on cars . Bill loved to gab and and filled us in on the latest sales, etc. Dorothy and I worked together back in the 80's. A lovely couple. Donna Dickey

Donna Dickey - September 25, 2019 at 04:14 PM

CF

“ He was always such a nice man. My parents adored him and his family. I'm so sorry for your loss. Heaven is celebrating.
Carol Shaw Foote

Carol Foote - September 25, 2019 at 01:40 PM

RA

“ Roger & Carol Armstrong lit a candle in memory of William R. Easton



Roger & Carol Armstrong - August 24, 2019 at 09:41 AM

SK

“ Sending caring thoughts & deepest sympathy to Dorothy, Rane, Chris, & their families on the loss of their husband, father, & grandfather. I met the Easton's when my brother, Scott, married Rane. Bill enjoyed visiting, telling about projects he was working on, helping at church, & going to Florida. He adored his grandchildren. One of my favorite memories was going to Steak n Shake or Wendy's, not only for the food but those senior discounts. Now, I do that, too.
Bill will be missed & remembered in our hearts.💕
Sandy King & Angela

Sandy King - August 24, 2019 at 04:17 AM

“ I remember seeing Bill at my Grandpa Cortlan's farm with his mom (Aunt Margaret) and my Grandparents Cortlan & Florence Elder. Bill had a great sense of humor and was a well of stories for our get-togethers.
Love,
Madelyn (Mundy) Elder

Tosha Samantha - August 21, 2019 at 05:01 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William R. Easton.



August 21, 2019 at 04:58 PM

WC

“ *As an only child, I looked for someone close to share our lives and thoughts. Bill was a perfect choice. He and I had similar lives and goals. The summer, living with his parents and Bill created memories and a bond that lasted throughout our lives. There is now a void. Bill will be missed!*


Wayne Coen

Wayne Coen - August 17, 2019 at 07:56 PM

CC

*My late husband John and I always enjoyed getting together with Bill and Dorothy while being in Florida. Love and prayers for family.
Christine Whitaker Carrell*

Christine Carrell - September 27, 2019 at 12:28 PM

 Kim
Hargis
Barker

“ *I remember spending the night at my grandparents house when I was younger and Bill and my grandpa would be talking on the phone until midnight or later. Will miss seeing him on our trips to Florida and Chick-Fil-A :-(*

Kim Hargis Barker - August 16, 2019 at 02:56 PM