



William Joseph Westerman II

June 27, 1937 - June 1, 2015

William Joseph Westerman II, 77, of Ft. Myers, FL, died Monday, June 1, 2015. Formerly of Hilton Head Island, SC, he had just moved to Southwest Florida a few months ago. He was born June 27, 1937 in St. Louis, MO, the son of Adele (née Schwartzel) and William Joseph Westerman I.

From a young age, he demonstrated a keen mechanical aptitude and ultimately formalized his education with Masters Degrees in Physics, Mechanical Engineering and a Doctorate in Electrical Engineering, attending Vanderbilt University and Washington University, St. Louis. He was a research scientist at Martin Marietta & McDonnell in the 60's and 70's, ending his career as President of a precision machine tool manufacturing company. Bill immensely enjoyed classic cars and owned and restored many British classics and American muscle cars. He was a member of LOMDS (Low Country Oyster and Motor Car Driving Society), Sea Pines Country Club, Sea Pines Men's Club, Harbour Town Yacht Club, Kappa Epsilon fraternity and numerous professional organizations.

Dr. Westerman is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Phyllis A. (née Westerman); his devoted children, Anna Christine (Wayne) Miller of Lake Oswego, OR, William Joseph (Liat Michelle) Westerman III of Atlanta, GA and Andrea Elizabeth (Karl) Bissinger of Cape Coral, FL; and three terrific grandchildren, William Wayne Miller, William Miles Westerman and Elise

Lauren Bissinger.

A memorial mass will be celebrated Saturday, June 13, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Light Catholic Church, 19680 Cypress View Drive, Ft. Myers.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial contributions be made to your local Humane Society.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

JUN 13. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Light Catholic Community
19680 Cypress View Dr.
Ft. Myers, FL 33967

Tribute Wall



“ *William Joseph Westerman II*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *To the entire Westerman family,*

I was saddened to learn of the passing of Bill. As you probably know, Bill was an active science fair judge in Beaufort County. He was very knowledgeable of all science, technology, engineering, and mathematics subjects. When selecting projects to judge at science fairs, Bill would wait until all the other judges chose projects in their fields and fill in where he was needed, it didn't matter if the category was physics or social sciences. About ten years ago, Bill volunteered at the Hilton Head Montessori School to help the students with their projects. My image of Bill will always be with him standing with a stopwatch in hand and a big smile on his face while the students were crowded around him. Bill was admired by the students, teachers, and especially the other judges. He will be greatly missed by all.

*Best regards,
Scott Hamlin
Sea Island Regional Science Fair*

Scott Hamlin - June 10, 2015 at 10:38 PM

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“ *To the entire Westerman family - I'm so sorry for your loss. I remember Bill as a fun-loving guy who loved his family a great deal. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.*

*With love,
Betsy, Chandler and Garrison McMillan*

Betsy McMillan - June 08, 2015 at 08:53 AM

 Lynda Halpern

“ *Phyllis, I was so sorry to read about Bill. Our deepest sympathy to you and your family. We miss your smiling face and enthusiasm at the Arts Center.*

Love from your friends at the theater. Lynda Halpern

Lynda Halpern - June 06, 2015 at 07:32 AM