



Billy Gerald Poteet

March 27, 2015

Billy Gerald Poteet, 78, of Shepherdsville, passed away Friday, March 27, 2015 at Baptist East Hospital. Bill was born in Smiths Grove, Kentucky to Helen E. (Jordan) and Gerald L. Poteet. After the death of his father, his mother and stepfather, Henry T. Brown, raised him. He moved to Louisville as a teenager, but he had a lifetime love for his hometown and visited often. He graduated from Ahrens Trade School in 1954. After graduation, he was employed by Inland Container Corporation, retiring after 38-1/2 years. Bill was a member of Cloverleaf Baptist Church. He was an avid model railroader and also traveled to various locations throughout the United States to ride restored trains. He loved eating at Cracker Barrel where he took his wife Thelma on their first date. He was a master Mason, belonging to Plumb Lodge #862, a Kosair Shriner, a member of The Grotto, Hillbilly Clan #3, and an Army Veteran. Bill was preceded in death by his parents, stepfather, and son, Kenneth Poteet. He is survived by his loving wife, Thelma; son, Randall Poteet; step-sons, Bryan Rigdon and Steve Nathan; sister, Mary Skaggs; granddaughter; Shelby and several nephews and nieces who loved him dearly. Bill never met a stranger and will be missed by so many family and friends. His service will 2pm Wednesday at Owen Funeral Home, 5317 Dixie Highway, with burial to follow in Louisville Memorial Gardens, West . Visitation will be 1-8pm Monday and Tuesday at the funeral home. Expressions of sympathy may be made Kosair Charities or to the Kentucky Railway Museum, 136 S Main St, New Haven, KY 40051.

Tribute Wall

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“ Bill was one of the best friends I ever had. Growing up in Smiths Grove, Bill was like a father to me. We shared a love of trains that sparked a friendship that only grew stronger over the years. I will dearly miss my friend and railroad buddy. God bless.

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“ David Owens and staff, thank you for taking care of my family as you did with my mother Doris Ann Poteet in 2007. Bill is my beloved step father and though home commitments have precluded my presence there at your home in person, I am with you all in spirit and am grateful you are there. I wish you all peace, those who visit here.

Steve Nathan

in loving memory of Bill - thank you for all you gave me for without you I would be nothing as well as I am today - I will miss you every day Bill

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