



William H. "Bill" Wallen

January 12, 1949 - March 2, 2021

William "Bill" Wallen began his new life in Heaven Tuesday, March 2, 2021, with family and friends.

Bill had so much fun celebrating their shared birthday January 12, 1949, with his twin (friend) Phil Partenheimer. Bill was born to Gladys and Harges Wallen in West Prestonsburg, Ky.

He was preceded in death by his two brothers Doug Hyden and Jack Wallen.

Remembering him in love: Betty, his wife of 52 years this June; his son Matthew (Cielina), named by Bill because it means Gift from God; his two perfect grandchildren Christian and Isabel; his beautiful sister Lois May (David); his two amazing nephews Frank May (Cheryl) and Doug Hyden (Sarah); his two great (in every way) nieces Amanda and Victoria and great nephew young Barrett.

Bill graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1972 and began working in health care administration in Lexington with Excepticon. He moved to Louisville in 1976 and worked at Norton Hospital and private care nursing homes. From 1986-1993, he continued to live in Louisville but served as regional vice president for M. T. Health Care located in Memphis, TN., and traveled extensively in the East and Mid west. His

favorite city was New Orleans. If you knew Bill, you know the reason - music and food. In 1993, he began working at Baptist Homes, Inc., in Louisville and retired as C.E.O. in December 2019- and soon began a year of Covid life. Bill always felt God had blessed him and called him to work with nursing homes. He served on the board of Baptist Towers and consulted with the board of (Baptist) Treyton Oaks Towers.

He was a member since 1976 of Walnut Street Baptist Church, served as an ordained deacon and in other opportunities. He truly loved the Lord and had joy in his heart. He loved to travel and wanted to be first in line to receive the Covid vaccine. He had planned six trips for the rest of this year, but God had a different plan. Now, Bill would say a better one.

If you wish to honor Bill, please support the need of your choice or the Walnut St. Baptist Church Infant Resource Project 1143 South Third St, 40203.

Funeral services will be 1:00pm Saturday, March 6, 2021 at Owen Funeral Home-Jeffersontown, 9318 Taylorsville Road. Burial to follow at Crosswater Gardens Cemetery. Visitation will be Saturday from 11:30am until 1:00pm. Masks and the always Covid guidelines are required.

Cemetery Details

Crosswater Gardens

7110 Billtown Rd
Louisville , KY 40299

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 6. 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Home-Jeffersontown
9318 Taylorsville Road
Louisville, KY 40299
(502) 266-9655

Service

MAR 6. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CI

“ So sorry to read about Bill. I met Bill in 1967 while my parents camped at Jenny Wiley State Park. We struck up a friendship and had some good laughs. It sounds like Bill was loved by so many people. So glad he had a full and loving life.

Cessie Ivy - April 05, 2025 at 12:49 PM

TC

“ Tish Clark lit a candle in memory of William H. "Bill" Wallen



Tish Clark - March 07, 2021 at 01:28 AM

JB

“ John and Dianna Herald, Leslie Bays purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of William H. "Bill" Wallen.



John and Dianna Herald, Leslie Bays - March 05, 2021 at 11:29 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William H. "Bill" Wallen.



March 05, 2021 at 10:55 AM

TS

“ Teresa, Connie, Laura and Stacy purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of William H. "Bill" Wallen.



Teresa, Connie, Laura and Stacy - March 05, 2021 at 09:43 AM

DB

“ From marathon Rook days to the birth of our children, weekend trips to state parks, train rides, and a New England cruise, we have remained loving friends for fifty one years. Good friends are hard to find, harder to leave, and impossible to forget.

David and Suzanne Burke - March 04, 2021 at 07:44 PM

DS

“ David and Suzanne purchased the *Country Basket Blooms* for the family of William H. "Bill" Wallen.



David and Suzanne - March 04, 2021 at 07:35 PM

DT

“ Bill and Betty Wallen have been our friends for 40+ years and we named them (Baptist) godparents for our two sons. Bill was a very special and caring friend and a fine trip organizer--he took a load of guys to tour the Civil War battlefields at Gettysburg and Vicksburg. He loved planning gatherings of the Walnut St. Baptist men's Pigs Night Out and was always up for a trip to a restaurant or other place for a gathering. He is/will be sorely missed! God bless!

Dale Tucker - March 04, 2021 at 03:39 PM

CH

“ *Connie Horn purchased the Love's Journey for the family of William H. "Bill" Wallen.*



Connie Horn - March 04, 2021 at 02:13 PM

CH

“ *I have known Bill and Betty since elementary school and college. They loved traveling and Bill spent lots of time planning their trips. They had a “bucket list” which he no longer needs. He has arrived in his heavenly home and oh, the joy he must feel! Being with the Lord and listening to the music he so loved. Betty and Bill were the epitome of a wonderful Christian couple. He will be waiting on you Betty!*

Connie Horn - March 04, 2021 at 01:51 PM

AB

“ *Uncle Bill...*

Ben, Patrick, Noah and I will miss you, terribly. Thank you for being the best “uncle Beeeeeeeel” to me growing up and into my adulthood. I hope you are winning every slot in heaven!

*Love always,
Alli*

Allison Brown - March 04, 2021 at 12:31 PM

JH

“ Thank you *Bill* for all your love and support thru the years, you are a true brother to me and the best person I have known, thank you for the love you gave *Betty* and *Matt*, my heart is empty

Judy Holbrook - March 04, 2021 at 12:22 PM