



Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II

July 2, 1941 - August 18, 2012

Hartsville will miss a gentle, fun-loving, sweet man named Bill Stanley. Born William Thomas Stanley, II on July 2, 1941, he suddenly slipped away Saturday, August 18 after a brief illness. His spirit reflected the Savior he dearly loved and professed, and we rejoice that he is now whole again in Heaven. The first-born son of William Thomas Stanley, Sr., and Eleanor (Sally) Elizabeth Onyan, Bill made friends everywhere as his genuine kindness drew others to him. He served his country in the United States Air Force for four years in nuclear and conventional weapons aircraft operations, training in San Antonio, TX, technical school in Biloxi, MS, stationed in El Paso, TX, at Biggs AFB, Etain, France, and finally Alamogordo, New Mexico. He was able to use his talents and skills honed from years of working with vehicle engines. After this service, Bill came home to Hartsville and studied at Florence Darlington Technical School earning an Associate of Science degree in Industrial Technology. Bill then met the love of his life, Ruth Carmen Blackmon Puckett. Marriage followed soon after and together they loved and raised three wonderful daughters, Debbie, Carmen and Jean. Together they enjoyed many happy years surrounded by friends and family serving their community and being a part of the fellowship known as West Hartsville Baptist Church. Bill was a member of the Hartsville Masonic Lodge # 173. Employed by Sonoco Products Company for six years, Bill later worked in retail sales and service in the insurance, sporting goods, and finally motorcycle businesses. Bill endured adversity in the loss of both his dear Ruth after her

courageous battle and dear grandson, Derek Anderson, and his own health issues. He found tremendous joy in his volunteer service with the Hospital Auxiliary and welcomed countless folks as they entered the Medical Office Complex with a big, wide grin and heart. Loving speed as his NASCAR fondness showed, he had to be warned once about speed on his scooter in the hospital hall. His volunteer friends got a big kick out of that. Perhaps he should be known as the “Official Grandfather of Harley Circle” – the best any child could know. He is survived by his mother, Eleanor “Sally” Stanley of Hartsville, SC; brother, Oliver (Stephanie) Stanley of Hartsville, SC; daughters, Debbie Puckett of Augusta, GA, Carmen P. (Chuck) Dykes of St. Augustine, FL, and Jean P. (David) Anderson Buckelew of Whitney, TX; brother-in-law, Curtis (Martha) Blackmon of Lugoff, SC; former son-in-law, Jeff Anderson. The family will receive friends at the home of Oliver and Stephanie Stanley, 920 W. Home Ave.

Cemetery Details

Westview Memorial Park Cemetery

2223 Kelleytown Road
Hartsville, SC 29550
info@bpafuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **24**. 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home
306 W. Home Ave.
Hartsville, SC 29550
(843) 332-6531
info@bpafuneralhome.com
<http://www.bpafuneralhome.com>

Service

AUG **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

West Hartsville Baptist Church
1003 W. Carolina Ave.
Hartsville, SC

Tribute Wall

RA

“ Robert Andrews lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II



Robert Andrews - June 28, 2025 at 11:39 PM

MP

“ Mr. Bill was such a nice guy. I remember him and his joviality well from when I was a young fellow. All the best to the family,

Mitchel Pate

mitchel pate - October 30, 2012 at 06:37 AM

JH

“ Justin Hodges lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II



Justin Hodges - September 17, 2012 at 01:54 PM



“ Martha White lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II



Martha White - September 03, 2012 at 08:43 PM

CW

“ *Carl & Susan Watkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Carl & Susan Watkins - August 26, 2012 at 01:38 PM

TA

“ *Tim H Anthony lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Tim H Anthony - August 26, 2012 at 11:00 AM

TA

Billy Stanley and I were childhood friends and were in Cub Scouts together for sometime. He was always an optimist and fun-loving guy who loved his family and friends. I remember a Cub Scout incident that had friends always laughing. I had gotten a donkey for Christmas one year from Santa Claus and at one Cub meeting at my home, Billy decided he was going to ride the donkey named Brown Betty. Billy got a running gait towards the donkey while I held her. As he approached, he was running so hard that he missed holding on to her neck. He went over her entire body and landed on his back all the while laughing as hard as he could!

A Prince of a Guy!

With warm regards to his entire family, Tim Anthony

Tim H Anthony - August 26, 2012 at 11:19 AM

JB

“ Bill Stanley has been one of my good friends since elementary school days and he certainly had a heart of gold and friendly spirit toward everyone he met. He was a great greeter inside that front door of Carolina Pines Medical Center who loved welcoming everyone on the way to their doctor visits. If there was time, it was well spent in talking with him and hearing his stories and family news. On one of my last talks with him there, he was looking over two local newspapers and complaining about their shrinking size and lack of stories and asking me to do something about it! I write for our local weekly, so I explained the financial situation facing today's print media and their eventual switch to digital online publishing. He wasn't too happy about that.....one memory is the night of my high school graduation. He did not graduate with my class, but was close to most of us. After my graduation party, I met him and Sonny Langston, Bill Hopkins, and Charles Easterling at the old Rainbow Drive In. Mr. Hopkins had gotten a new red convertible for his graduation gift and wanted us to go for a ride to Charlotte to show it to his aunt and 'break it in.' So we took off for an all night trip to Charlotte, had breakfast there, and returned to Hartsville about 7 a.m. that morning. Bill enjoyed living life to the fullest in spite of some health problems and he will truly be missed. BTW, Charles didn't go with us on the trip. I gave him a note to take to my parents to let them know where I was. They did not get it, because my little dog scared him away from their house and they were up all night worried about me. Bill had a good laugh when I told him later. RIP, Bill.....see you again someday! Jimmy Ballard

Jimmy Ballard - August 24, 2012 at 12:42 PM

CC

“ *Chris&sharon Catoe lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



chris&sharon catoe - August 24, 2012 at 11:14 AM

CC

To the Family of Mister Bill i am so sorry to hear my big bear has passed away but also i am at peace to know he is reunited with his wife and father.he has always been there for me and i will miss a great friend.my prayers go out to the Family

Chris&Sharon Catoe - August 24, 2012 at 11:22 AM

KC

“ *Kathleen Blackmon Canada lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Kathleen Blackmon Canada - August 23, 2012 at 02:23 PM

JT

“ *Jeff Truesdale lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Jeff Truesdale - August 23, 2012 at 12:16 PM



Bill was one of the most cheerful and friendly personalities of our lives it was a privilege to know him and call him friend. Our prayers and thoughts for his family.

Jeff Truesdale - August 23, 2012 at 12:23 PM

CT

“ *Cynthia G. Thompson lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Cynthia G. Thompson - August 23, 2012 at 10:08 AM

CT

Oliver and Family, just wanted to let you know how sorry they are about Bill's passing. He was such a ray of sunshine to everyone he met. I still remember how sweet he was to my young granddaughter when he would see her anywhere in his chair or golfcart, always told her how pretty she was and he would let her ride on the back or in the seat with him. God surely had a special purpose for him in our lives. We will continue praying for all of you. Love Tony and Cindy

Cynthia G. Thompson - August 23, 2012 at 10:14 AM

AS

“ *Andy Shirley lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Andy Shirley - August 22, 2012 at 07:04 PM

AB

Uncle Billy is all we have called him for several years.He was a dear friend.Loved seeing him come up on his Golfcart and blow that crazy airhorn of his.We will surely miss him.Our thoughts and prayers are with you all

Allen&Martha Bryant - August 22, 2012 at 07:38 PM

MB

“ I recently, in the past few years, got to know "Mr. Bill" and became great friends. He will be truly missed and will always have a special place in my heart! I will miss our weekend "coffee chats" and listening to his great stories and jokes. Kevin and I loved Mr. Bill very much. I'm so thankful that the last words I spoke to him, in the hospital were, "I LOVE YOU, MR. BILL." He is now reunited with his wife, in Heaven, whom he loves beyond description.

Michelle Brand - August 22, 2012 at 06:46 PM

KB

“ Kevin Brand lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II



Kevin Brand - August 22, 2012 at 06:40 PM

KB

Mr. Bill, What a true friend and coffee buddy on Saturdays during football season, you will be truly missed old friend. May God keep and bless you until we meet again. Bill always made me laugh and bring me up when I was down

Kevin Brand - August 22, 2012 at 06:45 PM

TG

“ Theresa Gilmore lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II



Theresa Gilmore - August 22, 2012 at 09:07 AM

MJ

Bill Bo as he was know to me, will be missed. He was a dear friend. My wife and I enjoyed the time we spent with him at our class reunion. We fondly remember how we began our married life in Bill's parent's apartment on Prestwood Drive. Our vey sincerest condolences to his family; we are fortunate for having such as friend as Bill.
Max and Maryann Jones

Max Edward Jones Jr. - August 23, 2012 at 02:22 PM

FB

“ Fletcher Biggs lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II



Fletcher Biggs - August 22, 2012 at 08:06 AM

MC

“ Bill was one of the friendliest and gentle people who always liked to share a story. Have been friends with him for a long time and worked with his wife Ruth at CP&L for a number of years. He will be missed and our prayers and thoughts are with all of the family.

Sincerely,

Maxie Cantley

Maxie Cantley - August 21, 2012 at 08:28 PM

LH

“ *Larry Huggins lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Larry Huggins - August 21, 2012 at 06:37 PM

TM

“ *Tonya McLaughlin-Hall lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Tonya McLaughlin-Hall - August 21, 2012 at 06:15 PM

BM

“ *Billy McDonald lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Billy McDonald - August 21, 2012 at 06:07 PM

LT

“ *Linda Thompson lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Linda Thompson - August 21, 2012 at 04:31 PM

RF

“ *Roberta Shand Farr lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Roberta Shand Farr - August 21, 2012 at 03:04 PM

JG

“ *Jimmy, Judy Gainey lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Jimmy, Judy Gainey - August 21, 2012 at 01:50 PM

LM

“ *Lock McKinnon lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Lock McKinnon - August 21, 2012 at 01:30 PM

KC

We would love to hear from you. Joel and Kathleen Canada

Kathleen Blackmon Canada - August 23, 2012 at 02:20 PM

JB

“ *Jill Beckham lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Jill Beckham - August 21, 2012 at 01:26 PM

JK

“ *JOFRIEDA KELLEY lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



JOFRIEDA KELLEY - August 21, 2012 at 12:58 PM

DG

“ *Debbie Galloway lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Debbie Galloway - August 20, 2012 at 03:13 PM

AB

“BillBo” was one of my very best childhood friends growing up around the street from each other. We spent almost every afternoon together for many years. He has had so very much difficulty over recent years, but every time I saw him he was always upbeat and the same old Bill.

I havz to twll thiz story, when we were about 14 or 15 and just drovirq,they put up 15 MPH speed limit signs around Woodland and Prestwood drive. Bill and I thought that the thing to do was push them over with our car. Well one Thursday when I got home from school the phone rang and it was Chief Watson who said that he wanted to see us us hzj office Friday after school! Long story but the bottom line was we had to meet the city engineer on Saturday morning and put thm signs back up in cement! Years later Bills mom. Sally, admitted that she was the one who had turned us in! Days of our youth!

Archie Biggs - August 20, 2012 at 01:09 PM

LR

“ He was always so friendly and full of life. He will be missed. Thinking of your family.

Lori Rivers - August 20, 2012 at 10:28 AM

CC

“ Will miss his smiling face at the hospital. Praying for you.

Christel Copeland and Nya

Christel Copeland - August 20, 2012 at 09:39 AM

BP

“ *Billy & Linda Price lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Billy & Linda Price - August 20, 2012 at 09:26 AM

DC

“ *Dawn Crawford lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Dawn Crawford - August 20, 2012 at 09:20 AM

AG

“ *Ann Graham lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Ann Graham - August 20, 2012 at 08:15 AM

RM

“ *Robyn Myers lit a candle in memory of Mr. William T. "Bill" Stanley II*



Robyn Myers - August 20, 2012 at 05:53 AM

RS

“ So very sad to learn of Bill's passing! Love and prayers to all the family...”

Rebecca Skinner-Fulmer - August 19, 2012 at 11:59 PM

SC

Oliver, I was so sad to hear that you lost your brother Bill. You know how I feel about you and your sweet family. With heart in hand...My thoughts are with you and yours during this time.

Susan Ciotti - August 20, 2012 at 01:28 PM