

William (Bill) Bruce Byars

July 13, 1936 - July 12, 2020

William (Bill) Bruce Byars passed away peacefully at his home on July 12, 2020, at 83 years of age. He was born July 13, 1936, in Mexico, Missouri, to Bruce Andrew Byars and Eileen (Crawford) Byars. His younger sister, Carolyn Adams resides in Phoenix, Arizona and he was preceded in death by his sister, Frances Earle from Mexico, Missouri.

Bill graduated from St. Brendan Catholic School in Mexico in 1954 and served in the United States Army from 1958-1961. He met his wife, Nancy Bell and they were united in marriage on September 22, 1962, in Mexico, Missouri.

Bill worked for IBM in Kansas City as a custom engineer. In 1972, they moved to their current residence on a farm near Fortuna, Missouri. Bill went to work for the Missouri Department of Administration as a computer operator and they lived out their dream of living on a cattle farm. After 25 years, Bill retired from the State and started his next adventure of Jonny Popper Kettle Korn. Jonny Popper went to many events and festivals and also was a mainstay at Mizzou Football games for 10 years.

Bill was active in Bethel Mennonite Church and Fortuna Baptist Church. He loved cattle and was an active member of the American Angus Association and traveled to many cattle farms around the country. He received a lifetime membership to the American Angus Association and was recognized as

operating a registered herd for 50 continuous years.

His wife, Nancy, survives at their home. His daughter, Sheryl Dwight and husband Andrew reside in Atlanta, Georgia. His son, Chris and wife Pam reside in Fortuna, Missouri. Grandchildren are Devin Dwight and wife Jamie of Versailles, Missouri and children Danae, Avery, Riley and Titus; Nichole Dwight of Phoenix, Arizona; Dillon Reinhold and wife Shiann of Park Hills, Missouri and children Chase and Levi; and Jessica, Kelsie and Justin Byars of Fortuna, Missouri.

The family will receive friends on Monday, July 20, 2020 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles followed by a service at 3:00 pm. Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Heart Association.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 20. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Versailles Chapel
207 North Monroe St.
Versailles, MO 65084
(573) 378-4655

Celebration of Life

JUL 20. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DH

“ *Debra Hausmann lit a candle in memory of William (Bill) Bruce Byars*



Debra Hausmann - July 22, 2020 at 03:36 PM

DH

I worked with Bill at Office of Administration for many years. He always spoke so highly of his family

Debra Hausmann - July 22, 2020 at 03:38 PM



“ *Marci Black lit a candle in memory of William (Bill) Bruce Byars*



Marci Black - July 20, 2020 at 12:33 PM



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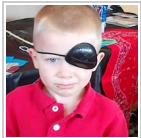
Kidwell-Garber Funeral Homes - July 18, 2020 at 04:24 PM



“ Jerry Garber sent a virtual gift in memory of William (Bill) Bruce Byars



Jerry Garber - July 15, 2020 at 11:45 PM



“ Pam Hill-Ramey lit a candle in memory of William (Bill) Bruce Byars



Pam Hill-Ramey - July 15, 2020 at 11:09 AM



Nancy, so sorry to hear about Bill. He will be missed.

Pam Hill-Ramey - July 15, 2020 at 11:10 AM