



## William "Bill" Bennett

June 27, 1942 - March 6, 2018

Bill (William Albert) Bennett died March 6th after a sudden illness. He was the son of the late Ella (Read) and Herbert Bennett, Sr. He was born in the fishing village of Apponaug, Rhode Island to a large loving family where he enjoyed a typical post-war New England childhood. Joining the Army at 17, he served honorably 8 years, with tours in Korea, Germany and 13 combat months in Vietnam where he earned a Bronze Star and Air Medal. His gentle heart was scarred by the horror of war the rest of his life.

Though he never lost his New England accent, Bill loved the south, southerners, warm weather and coffee! He spent most his adult life in Georgia and the Carolinas. He was a gifted salesman and owned multiple businesses throughout his life. Prior to moving to Travelers Rest last year, Columbia had been his home for 30 years where he attended the University of South Carolina and started and owned Attic Specialties Insulation Company. Bill shared his last 31 years with his best friend and loving wife, Amy Mullinax Bennett. He was a father to daughter Katherine Bennett of Connecticut, and sons W. Taylor Bennett of Georgia and the late Mark Bennett. He adored his only sister Gail Zackarian of Coventry, RI, and brothers Herb (Linda) Bennett Jr. of Rome, NY, David (Ann) Bennett of Warwick, RI and the late Eddie and Joe Bennett. He was a favorite uncle to and adored by several generations of nieces and nephews.

Bill was excited to return to the SC upstate and enjoyed entertaining family and friends in his new mountain home. He was a generous, charming charismatic man who never met a stranger and normally left you with a smile or a laugh. Those who knew him are better for it and those that loved him will always feel the void.

In lieu of flowers, memorial may be made to The Children's Camp Fund at Gap Creek Baptist Church, 381 Gap Creek Rd., Marietta, S.C. 29661

# Cemetery Details

## Mountain View Memorial Park formerly Grand View Memorial Gardens

7 Duncan Rd.  
Travelers Rest, SC

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 10. 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary  
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369  
Travelers Rest, SC

## Service

MAR 10. 2:30 PM (ET)

The Howze Mortuary Chapel  
6714 State Park Rd./P.O. Box 369  
Travelers Rest, SC

# Tribute Wall

WG

“ Amy, I am sad to hear of this. My entire family would have been there if we had known. Bill made me the person I am today and though we didn't keep contact after he remarried, there has never been a day in my life that I didn't think of all he taught me. My prayers are for your peace. He was one awesome man and has left a wonderful mark on this world. May he rest in peace. He will be greatly missed. JJ - Wilma Jean Jones Garrison

Wilma Jean Jones Garrison - March 30, 2018 at 01:18 AM

CV

“ Camille Vella-Wilkinson lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Bennett



Camille Vella-Wilkinson - March 11, 2018 at 02:58 PM

JP

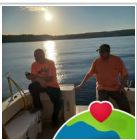
“ David, sorry to hear this!!

Joel Pavlow - March 10, 2018 at 07:56 PM

RL

“ Bill was a great man, and a part of a Band of Brothers that will always stand. My heart is broken. He will be truly missed. My thoughts, and prayers go out to Amy/ The family.

Ray Lee - March 10, 2018 at 04:59 PM



“ David so sorry for your loss. David and Donna Smith

Donna Smith - March 09, 2018 at 07:53 AM

LE

“ Lorna Zackarian And Michael Eldridge lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Bennett



Lorna Zackarian and Michael Eldridge - March 08, 2018 at 02:54 PM

LM

*Amy, we are so sad to lose such a wonderful and kind man. He will be deeply missed. Our heartfelt condolences to you. If there is anything we can do, please let us know. We love you.*

**Lorna Zackarian and Michael** - March 08, 2018 at 02:56 PM

JC

*AMY we love you so sorry. God Bless..*

**joan cantrell** - March 09, 2018 at 11:08 AM

DC

“ Amy,

*So sorry to hear of the passing of Bill. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time.*

*Dianne Coleman*

**Dianne Coleman** - March 07, 2018 at 10:39 PM

LH

“ *Amy, I'm so heartbroken for you. I pray for comfort for you and all of yours and Bill's family. Bill had the best sense of humor and I'll always remember his bright smile. Love, Tim and Lori*

**Lori Harleson** - March 07, 2018 at 08:23 PM

LM

“ Amy -

*We are sorry to hear about the passing of Uncle Bill - you are in our thoughts during this most difficult time.*

*Lori and Russ Metzgar*

**Lori Metzgar** - March 07, 2018 at 06:04 PM

LM

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



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**Lori Metzgar** - March 07, 2018 at 05:56 PM

DW

“ Amy,

*I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. It was such a shock. He was always so friendly and I'm so glad he was a part of our family.*

*Please let me know if there is anything I can ever do for you.*

*Love,*

*Cousin Donna*

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**Donna Williams** - March 07, 2018 at 04:12 PM

GK

“ Gina Kirkland purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of William "Bill" Bennett.



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**Gina Kirkland** - March 07, 2018 at 10:47 AM



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



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March 07, 2018 at 09:28 AM