



## Bill "Jesse" Bumpus

November 17, 1921 - February 24, 2023

Services will take place at a later date in Illinois.

William Jesse Bumpus, Sr., was born in Spring Garden Township, Illinois on Thursday, November 17, 1921 to George Washington and Grace (Hughey) Bumpus. He went to be with the Lord, Friday, February 24, 2023 from his home in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma. He was 101 years of age.

Bill was a WWII Army Veteran who served in the Pacific Theater, 1941-1946, he was the epitome of the greatest generation! He met and married the love of his life Dorthy Carolyn Gilliam, June 22, 1947 in Chicago, Illinois. They raised six children and their family continues to grow. His greatest joy was his family. He always said his family made him the richest man on earth. Bill was known for his gentle, loving nature, his thoughtfulness, his passion for his family and Country and a great sense of humor that he passed on through the family.

Bill was a long time employee of General Electric and served as Chairman of their Employee Charitable Contribution Organization. He was nationally recognized by GE for his outstanding service to his community by being awarded the Gerald L. Phillip Award. He was involved with the Boy Scouts for 58 years and awarded the Silver Beaver. He coached Pony League, help start and build Caddy Vista school and the First Baptist Church of Oak Creek. He was a great and Godly Man.

He is survived by,  
Sons, David Bumpus of Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
Alan Bumpus of Kenosha, Wisconsin

William Bumpus, Jr. (Judy) of Neshkoro, Wisconsin  
Robert Bumpus (Lori) of Amboy, Illinois  
Daughters, Cynthia Barnett (Alan Spielman) of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma  
Karen Baattani (Jeff) of Waterford, Wisconsin

Grandchildren, Becky, Megan, Christopher, Sarah, Emily, Jake, Amanda  
Dane, Erin, Ryan and Matthew.  
26 Great-Grandchildren, 2 Great-Great-Grandchildren and many loving  
nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends.

Preceded in death by parents, George and Grace, wife, Carolyn Bumpus,  
grandson, Casey Bumpus, Sisters, Georgia Fisher, AnnaBelle Griffith, brother,  
Robert Bumpus, son-in-law Peter Barnett, daughter in law Donna Bumpus

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Bill "Jesse" Bumpus*

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *I am honored to have known Bill. He was a great father in law. I got to share veteran parades with him and veteran camaraderie. Thank you Bill for all your kindness.*  
*Alan Spielman*

**Alan Spielman** - March 03, 2023 at 04:04 PM



*Thank you for stepping in and helping care for him. We are forever grateful for you!❤️*  
*-Erin*

**Erin Revenig** - March 04, 2023 at 12:32 PM



“ *It is our honor and privilege to serve the Bumpus family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of William.*

**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - February 24, 2023 at 01:13 PM