



Bill Patterson

April 1, 1958 - July 13, 2022

In lieu of flowers, Bill's family requests donations be made in his name to Mighty Oaks Foundation at: www.mightyoaksprograms.org

William Glenn Patterson of Prosper, Texas, passed away July 13, 2022, in his sleep.

He will always be remembered as a man of integrity who loved his family deeply. He often said that he would do anything for his girls. So very often, he told Karen that she is the love of his life. And every time someone said "God is good," he always said, "All the time."

Bill was born in Oklahoma City on April 1, 1958. When people commented on his April Fool's Day birthday, he always said, "I may have been born a fool, but I wasn't raised one." Bill was raised by his loving parents Ralph and Gloria along with his siblings Steve, Ann, Rick and Kimber. He is now having a reunion in heaven with his parents, Steve, Karen's parents, and so many other loved ones that we still miss here on earth.

Bill earned his bachelor's and master's degrees at his beloved Oklahoma State University, which is where he met Karen through a divine appointment set up by God through Bill's sister Ann (Karen's roommate). The sweethearts were married on May 19, 1984 in Tulsa. After Bill and Karen graduated from

OSU, their work took them to the Houston area, where Bill had an outstanding career as an engineer and a manager in the tech industry.

Bill and Karen lived in their last Houston home for 27 years, where they raised their daughters Laura and Kathy. In recent years, both girls have married amazing young men and settled in the DFW area. So, in 2019, Bill and Karen moved to Prosper to be closer to them and all of the other Texas and Oklahoma family. In the past year, Bill was so thrilled to watch his family grow and he cherished every visit with his girls and their precious babies, Patrick and August. The proud Gamma and Gramps were so thrilled to play with both grandbabies, now 13 months old. In the last few weeks, Bill got to see a lot of both boys. He loved nuzzling them to hear all the baby giggles.

Bill had such a large, but close family. He is survived by his wife, Karen Patterson; daughters, Laura Douglas and husband, Kyle, and Kathy Ewert and husband, Allen; grandchildren, Patrick Douglas and August Ewert; siblings, Ann Morris and husband, Tim, Rick Patterson and wife, Dawn, and Kimber Wilkins, and husband, Scott; sister-in-law Marla Patterson; his uncle Lee, and many loving nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his grandparents, Charles and Amber Schulien and Walter and Tula Patterson; parents, Ralph and Gloria Patterson, and brother, Steve Patterson.

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 18. 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

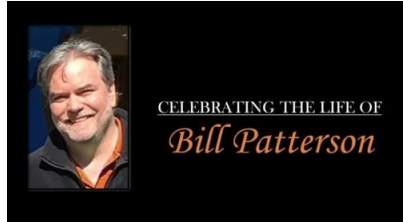
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Tribute Wall



“ *Hayhurst Funeral Home created a Funeral Service in memory of Bill Patterson*



Hayhurst Funeral Home - July 15, 2022 at 05:44 PM



“ *Bill Patterson*

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *I'm very saddened by Bill's passing. I've known Bill all my life. Our parents were lifelong friends. I have many happy childhood memories of playing at Steve and Bill's house. I regret not having been closer over the years. I feel lonely with Bill gone. I'll get to hug all the friends I still have for the next few months. Bill, I loved you. Thank you for your friendship and the love of your family. - Mark Grennan*

Mark Grennan - July 18, 2022 at 11:52 AM



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Hayhurst Funeral Home - July 18, 2022 at 10:18 AM

ST

Karen, This is such a beautiful tribute to your dear husband. Thank you for sharing the memories!! Suzanne Toy

Suzanne Toy - August 07, 2022 at 03:34 PM

JO

“ *What is a Brother? Well for me it wasn't someone that was given to me by birth and blood but someone who was given to me by God. I first met Bill when I was 11 years old and we were both trying out for the same baseball team and the same position of catcher. Some might think that would create a means of contention but it created a bond that I have never felt since nor do I expect to again. My brother and best friend. What I lacked he held and vice versa. Now admittedly that did get us into a bit of trouble but I would do it all over again without blinking. We finished each other's sentences like twins and if we both had the same idea, I would look at him and he would have THAT smile on his face (Yes Karen you know the one) and we were off. We might go a while without talking, but when we did it was like no time had passed at all. He was my best man and I his. If one of us needed to talk then the other just listened. He loves his family more than Anything in this world. I could honestly write a book about Bill and the man/friend/brother that he is. I will miss you my Brother from another Mother! Rest well....we will take it from here. JohnP*

John - July 18, 2022 at 10:11 AM

 Rick
Schmigle

“ Bill and I met each other the Summer before our 7th grade on the football field. We were there to try out for Byrd Jr High in Tulsa. Bill was always the positive, energetic and loud one when it came to cheering his team on and off the field.

The picture is from our senior year at Memorial High School.

When my wife and I got the yearbooks out to find some pics of Bill,

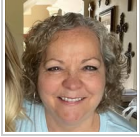
when we saw this one, Patti said, “Mow this is how I remember Bill!”

Bill, I thank you for being a part of my life and being a friend of mine.

You are missed.



Rick Schmigle - July 18, 2022 at 08:35 AM



“ *Bill was my hero and best friend. He was always there for me. I loved him so much I introduced him to someone who took my place as best friend and I am so glad; I gained another sister. Bill was 6 years older than me but you would rarely know it. He was involved in my life, took interest in what I did and how I was. I learned to love people by experiencing love from him. We had that same love and care for each other for all my life. So many calls, texts, visits, card games, football games too many things to ever Remember them all. He was a man’s man. He was a leader, sometimes soft spoken and sometimes not so quiet.-lol. I am going to miss our talks as I drive places, sitting and catching up about life and his girls and their families. How do I explain how much he means to me. These words are here but they seem so terribly inadequate. Just know, he loved and was loved! This hurts very deeply for me. Family is Everything! Love your family, tell them all the time! We will see him again and oh what a day that will be!!*



Ann Morris - July 17, 2022 at 11:43 PM

PE

“ It is a joy to observe people who truly love one another, and that was Bill with Karen and their family. And they loved him back whole heartedly! We are privileged to be a part of that family by extension. The love that Kathy has added to our lives can not be measured, and that is a tribute to Bill and Karen. We could not have asked for better people to share grandparenting with us. Future gatherings with Gamma, Laura, Kyle, Patch, Kathy, Allen, and AJ will certainly be filled with laughter, love, happiness, and fun, but Gramps will be sorely missed. Your entire family, including the extended family in Oklahoma, will be in our hearts and prayers as you navigate this difficult time. - Patty & Mike



Patty Ewert - July 17, 2022 at 01:44 PM

KP

Thank you so much. This means so much to me. Bill and I have often said that we are so grateful that both of our daughters married such wonderful young men. Bill literally said on Tuesday evening that he was so glad we got to spend two days with AJ last weekend. And we had seen a lot of both boys the previous week, and we had gotten to swim with Kathy and AJ. So many precious memories and pictures from recent weeks. Especially this one that you took of the two of us with both boys. I will always cherish this picture. ❤️

Karen Patterson - July 17, 2022 at 11:25 PM

“ *Bill = Love of Family*

Bill spoke to me often of the family. He was so in love with Karen and spoke to everyone about how smart she is and what all she has accomplished. He would come to work looking a little down and he'd say, "it'll be a lot better soon because Karen will be home. Bill said just having her there made everything better.

When Karen wasn't the topic of conversation, it was Patch and AJ. Those boys were loved before they were born and adored by their Gramps. He was proud of everything they did. He showed pictures and videos to everyone! From what I was told quite often, Bill's daughters, his heroes, Laura and Kathy, are amazing! They are THE most intelligent women (along with mother, Karen, of course) and they are both well-educated, incredibly successful, wonderfully adoring mothers to their boys. Sons in law, Kyle and Allen, are smart, caring and great partners sent by God for Bill's girls.

Bill had SO much love for his family. He spoke to me about Steve, Ann, Rick and Kimber with only glowing reviews.

In March, Bill told me that when people complained about their parents it upset him because they should be "grateful their parents are alive and they can visit and speak with them." It was when my Daddy was in the hospital. Bill was so supportive and kind to me during the time Daddy was so sick and after my loss in April.

When Bill came to work with me at NPI I will have to admit, there was an awkwardness on my part. Bill, the engineer working with the retired teacher turned receptionist, Robin - and he's my best friend's husband! It was strange at first, seeing him every day.

Though not as long as I'd known his wife, I had known him over 35 years.

But I didn't really get to know him until God brought him to work with me at the same business. I know now that he was there to boost my low self-confidence and help me through the loss of my father.

He demonstrated strength, determination, support, companionship, and such a caring, compassionate soul. I will always be grateful to God for allowing me the time to get to know him better.

Bill recently told me, "Worrying about what is and what might be,

does not change how you feel. You just have to move on with your life and do what you can.”

The following are 15 words I will always think of when speaking about my friend, Bill.

Sentimental

Strong

Intelligent

Thoughtful

Supportive

Loving

Helpful

Understanding

Reassuring

Compassionate

Inspirational

Motivational

Philosophical

Funny

& of course,

Orange

What a wonderful example of being filled the the spirit of Jesus you were, Bill Patterson. I will miss you, my friend. I will take care of Karen as much as she will allow, but you know how strong and independent she is. She took good care of you and will always love and be loved by you!

Robin Benton - July 16, 2022 at 09:15 PM

KP

Robin, you captured the essence of Bill. I treasure the quotes and tings you heard him say. Thank you so much for sharing. I love you.

karen Patterson - July 17, 2022 at 08:20 AM

KT

It is an honor to have got to know Bill on a professional level but I enjoyed most getting to know him on a personal level. I had my first born child just ahead of Bill's beautiful grandsons being born. He shared stories and photos of his beautiful family. He would glow talking about his wife and daughters. You could tell he was so proud of being a grandpa!

Robin is correct! When Bill looked down or out of sorts, it was mostly when Karen had to be away to help their daughters and grand babies, and he counted the days until her return. I enjoyed seeing him in his OSU golf shirts at work, although I am a Sooner fan, it almost made me feel at HOME!

Bill will always have a tender spot in my heart.

Bill, may you rest in paradise and bring peace watching over your beautiful family. <3

-Kimy

Kimy Thai - July 17, 2022 at 09:17 AM

KP

“ My sweetheart. My rock. The man who gave me the two most precious gifts on this earth - our two daughters. The man who could make me laugh out loud and also make me feel so cherished when he’s say, “I’m sweet — on you.” And that was often.

He always kissed me goodnight, and he insisted, no matter how early I had to leave the house for work, that I kiss him in the morning before I left for the day.

I miss his hugs. But I know that I know that I know that we will hug again. He is with Jesus now, waiting for our reunion in heaven someday. He recently just bought us two Daily Bibles, and we just talked on our last evening together about how we would read and then discuss it together. I told him that I hadn’t started yet, so I needed to catch up. He said, “That’s ok, I’m just up to Cain and Abel.” One of many times that he made me laugh. So I’ll keep reading, and I know that Bill will be following along with me.

Bill, until we meet again, I will always miss your hugs. I could not have prayed for a better man to share my life with. I will love you always.

Karen Patterson - July 16, 2022 at 04:21 PM

KD

“ Kevin and Cindy Douglas purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bill Patterson.



Kevin and Cindy Douglas - July 16, 2022 at 09:22 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bill Patterson.*



July 15, 2022 at 10:05 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Bill Patterson.*



July 15, 2022 at 09:11 PM



“ *Patricia Patterson purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Bill Patterson.*



Patricia Patterson - July 15, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Bill Patterson.*



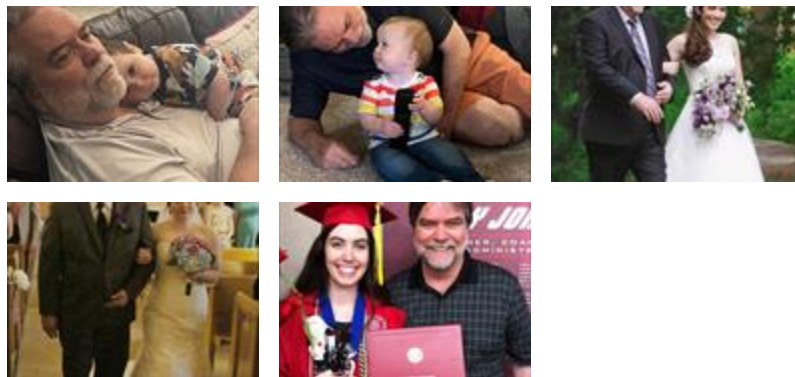
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“ You were the best dad. Thank you for all of your love and support with every period of my life. You will and are greatly missed.

I'll miss your silly dad jokes and seeing you be such a sweet Gramps to your grandkids. I'll miss you telling the random recipes you're trying even though I didn't ask. I'll even miss you being the worst loser at any game...kind of. I'll miss being told I look like you. I'll miss you never calling me and Ann by the right name. I'll just miss you.

For the babies I never got to hold this side of Heaven, please hug them for me. I know you'll be watching over your now and future grandbabies.



Laura Douglas - July 15, 2022 at 01:51 PM

BS

“ Bill & Wendy Stephens purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Bill Patterson.



Bill & Wendy Stephens - July 15, 2022 at 01:45 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Bill Patterson.*



July 15, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bill Patterson.*



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