



## Darwin "Bill" Ball

July 16, 1948 - February 26, 2019

Darwin W. "Bill" Ball, of Broken Arrow, passed away Tuesday, February 26, 2019, at the age of 70, following a long battle with cancer.

A funeral service honoring his life will be held at 2:00 PM Saturday March 2, 2019, at First Christian Church, Broken Arrow, with burial following at 10:00 AM on Monday March 4 at Park Grove Cemetery in Broken Arrow. Friends may visit at the funeral home Friday March 1 from 11:00 AM to 8:00 PM, with the family receiving friends from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Bill was born Friday July 16, 1948, in Okmulgee, OK to Darwin and Amy (King) Ball. He graduated in 1966 from Classen High School in Oklahoma City—he greatly enjoyed his class reunions through the years. He then earned an Associate's degree in Drafting Technology from Oklahoma State University. Bill served his country in the US Army. He was very proud of his service and appreciated all his life the friends he made during that time. Following his service, he returned to Broken Arrow to marry his bride, the former Linn Donnelly. They recently celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary. Their union was blessed with three surviving sons who have brought them great joy, two lovely daughters-in-law, and four delightful grandsons.

Bill worked at a number of companies as a draftsman, with Zeeco as his last place of employment. He and his family appreciated the support he received

from his coworkers and supervisors at Zeeco as he continued working during his cancer treatment.

Bill loved watching movies, spending time with his family, and fishing. Before his health issues, he had served as a deacon at First Christian Church.

Survivors include:

Wife: Linn Ball of the home

Sons: Jonathan Ball and wife Shannon of Decatur, GA

Nathaniel Ball of Boulder, CO

Patrick Ball and wife Amanda of Brooklyn, NY

Grandsons: Grainger, Thomas, and Charlie Ball of Decatur, GA and Elliott Ball of Brooklyn, NY

Sister: Connie Huenneke of Encinitas, CA

Nephews: Eric Huenneke (Judy) of Cambridge, MA, and Mike Ball (Debra) and Mitch Gearhardt (Sheron) of Broken Arrow

Nieces: Debbie Ball of Broken Arrow and Sherri Cypert (Tony) of Coweta, OK.  
Several cousins, great-nieces and great-nephews and many friends

Bill is predeceased by:

Parents: Darwin and Amy Ball

Sons: Bracken Ball and Adam Ball

Brother: Harold Ball

Memorials may be made in lieu of flowers to:

First Christian Church Broken Arrow, 2602 S. Elm Place, Broken Arrow, OK  
74012

Or

Broken Arrow Neighbors, 315 West College Street, Broken Arrow, OK 74012.

# Cemetery Details

## Park Grove Cemetery

1000 W. Houston St.  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
(918) 259-8691

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAR 1. 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
1660 South Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
(918) 258-9623  
hayhurstfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Visitation

MAR 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
1660 South Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
(918) 258-9623  
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## Funeral Service

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MAR 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

First Christian Church  
2602 S. Elm Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012

# Tribute Wall



“ Darwin "Bill" Ball

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ Lyndal McMillan lit a candle in memory of Darwin "Bill" Ball



Lyndal McMillan - March 02, 2019 at 04:00 PM



“ Donna Huddleston from, Classen , 1966. Enjoyed visiting with Bill and u. Praying for peace and comfort for you. I've experienced this hard time. Blessings to all of u!!! N Jesus Name. (Donna Stotts)

Donna Huddleston - March 01, 2019 at 06:27 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Darwin "Bill" Ball.



March 01, 2019 at 05:39 PM

RF

“ Rob & Andrea Keenan & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Darwin "Bill" Ball.



Rob & Andrea Keenan & Family - March 01, 2019 at 05:31 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Darwin "Bill" Ball.



March 01, 2019 at 04:20 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Darwin "Bill" Ball.



March 01, 2019 at 03:00 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Darwin "Bill" Ball.



March 01, 2019 at 10:30 AM

LA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time of loss and sorrow. I worked with Bill for many years and enjoyed his friendship, his positive attitude, and joyful personality. He was always ready to help others and always smiling.

*As Christ claimed victory over death, I feel confident that Bill has done the same and is now experiencing the glorious, heavenly presence of God. May you find peace in knowing he had a life well lived and that he is now free of all pain and at peace with our Heavenly Father. Blessings,*  
*Loyce Akerman*

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**Loyce Akerman** - March 01, 2019 at 09:10 AM

DW

*So sorry for your loss. Bill was a Classen classmate of mine.*

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**Deatron-Dede Williams** - March 01, 2019 at 05:59 PM

FF

“ From the Griffiths family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Darwin "Bill" Ball.



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**From the Griffiths family** - February 28, 2019 at 10:57 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Darwin "Bill" Ball.



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February 28, 2019 at 08:53 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Darwin "Bill" Ball.*



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February 28, 2019 at 11:21 AM



“ *Raymond G. Hart lit a candle in memory of Darwin "Bill" Ball*



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**Raymond G. Hart** - February 28, 2019 at 08:41 AM



“ *I was unfortunate not to meet Bill, but knowing from others he was a man loved life. He was a good husband and a loving father. He will be missed but memories will endure. May God comfort you Linn and your family.*

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**Warren Rush** - February 27, 2019 at 11:22 PM



*Sorry for your loss Linn. May Bill rest in God's peace. Prayers to you and your family.*

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**Andy Biddle** - February 28, 2019 at 07:13 AM

SC

“ *Bill was such a beautiful soul. He loved to laugh and loved life. I will always remember years ago when he watched Saturday Night Live and would crack up over the "Mr Bill" segments. Forever will miss you.*

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**sherri cypert** - February 27, 2019 at 10:40 PM

SC

“ *LINN & FAMILY I AM SO SORRY ABOUT YOUR LOSS, I KNOW DARWIN GAVE A GOOD FIGHT AGAINST CANCER. I MET DARWIN WHEN I WAS TAKING CARE OF HAROLD & BETTY, MY THOUGHTS & PRAYERS ARE FOR YOU FOR PEACE & COMFORT THRU THIS DIFFICULT TIME. SUE CULBERT*



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**SUE CULBERT** - February 27, 2019 at 09:49 PM

GS

“ *I was sad to hear of Bill's passing. I considered him a very good friend when we worked together at Englobal Engineering.*

*Afterwards, we were Facebook friends and shared posts from time to time. I had especially followed his journey during his battle with cancer.*

*I know he will be greatly missed and my thoughts and prayers go out to all of his family.*

*God bless you.*

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**Gary N Varnell, Sr** - February 26, 2019 at 10:40 PM



HH

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



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - February 26, 2019 at 09:12 AM

RH

*Enjoyed every visit I had with Bill. Too bad the out come wasn't better.. But Bill is no longer suffering..I know Bill will be greatly missed, as the saying goes about the finger in the water, but there will be a hole in the water in the glass where Bill's finger was.Bill, Thanks for the memories..*

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**Raymond G. Hart** - February 28, 2019 at 08:41 AM