



Dr. William "Bill" Paul Kuert

June 3, 1943 - September 19, 2025

Dr. William Paul "Bill" Kuert was born on Thursday, June 3, 1943 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the son of William Henry and Jennie (Lombardo) Kuert. He passed this life on Friday, September 19, 2025 at his home in Sand Springs, Oklahoma. He was 82 years of age.

Bill was a 1961 graduate of Edison high school in Philadelphia, PA. He pursued and received a BA in mathematics from Temple University in Philadelphia, a M.A from Tulsa University in psychology, a M. Div. from ORU, an Ed. D from Tulsa University, and a D.Min from Fuller Seminary in Pasadena, CA. His educational background produced a passion for sound theological training and coaching.

He married the former Miss Barbara Fisher on July 3, 1971 in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Bill was an ordained Minister with the Assemblies of God, He and Barbara were Missionaries called to Kenya, where he was a Missionary, Leadership Coach, and a Bible and Theology Professor. Bill enjoyed traveling, reading and writing, viewing Kenyan wildlife, spending time with friends in both Kenya and the USA. He also loved any excuse to find an ice cream cone.

The family requests memorials to Involved International, P.O. Box 70027, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74170 or go to www.involvedinternational.com

Bill is survived by,

His wife, Barbara Kuert

Sons, Stephen and wife Bailey Kuert, Broken Arrow, OK

Adam Kuert & Misti Powell, Portland, OR

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Jennie; Sister, Joanne Menditto.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

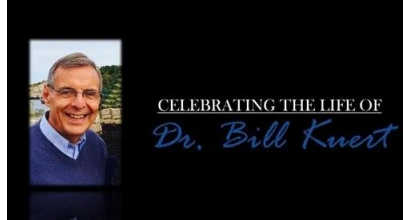
OCT 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

The Assembly
3500 W. New Orleans
Broken Arrow, OK 74012
(918) 251-8591
<http://www.theassembly.org>

Tribute Wall



“ Hayhurst Funeral Home created a Funeral Service in memory of Dr. William "Bill" Paul Kuert



Hayhurst Funeral Home - September 25, 2025 at 09:38 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Pictorial Video Tribute



Hayhurst Funeral Home - October 03, 2025 at 03:21 PM



“ With love, EAST University purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Dr. William "Bill" Paul Kuert.



With love, EAST University - October 02, 2025 at 09:12 AM

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“ *Dr. Bill Kuert was a dedicated educator who inspired many through his teaching.*

He had a gift for making learning meaningful and life-changing.

As a mentor, he guided with wisdom, patience, and genuine care.

His life was a testimony of integrity, faith, and service.

We will always remember him as a teacher, mentor, and friend whose impact lives on.

Zipporah Nyenzo Ngolo

EAST University - October 02, 2025 at 08:08 AM

“ A Tribute to Dr. William Bill Kuert

The passing of Dr. William Bill Kuert has left us all in shock. His death is a profound loss not only to his family, but also to the church, the world of academia, and especially to KAG EAST University. The family has lost a beloved patriarch, the church has lost a powerful and inspiring preacher, and the academic world has lost a true mentor and coach.

Dr. Kuert was a devoted servant leader and a man of unwavering integrity. Throughout his long and distinguished career, he transformed the lives of countless pastors and Bible school lecturers across the East African region. His dedication to his students and his profession was unmatched, and he set a powerful example for all who knew him.

Dr. Kuert's contributions to the Kingdom of God are immeasurable. Since 1979, he dedicated himself to training pastors at EAST, shaping generations of leaders. He also generously shared his knowledge through short courses at the Center for Leadership Studies and personally mentored and coached academic staff. His impact is woven into the very fabric of this institution and the lives of those he taught.

I will forever cherish my memories of Dr. Kuert. I'll always remember our collaboration on the KAG EAST-Kitengela campus, where we worked together to integrate a biblical worldview into every class we co-taught. His prayers for my family remain as fresh and comforting today as they were yesterday.

Dr. Kuert was a true mentor and an inspiration. Whenever he discovered a new and challenging book on education or children's ministry, he would read and review it, then generously pass it on to me. My personal library would be incomplete without the enriching collection of books he gifted me over the years.

On behalf of the entire KAG EAST University community, I extend our deepest condolences to his family and to all the missionary friends who served alongside him. May God comfort and keep you all during this difficult time.

*Dr. Kasili Isaac
Dean, School of Bible and Theology
KAG EAST University*

EAST University - October 02, 2025 at 08:07 AM

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“ *A brief encounter, a life-changing challenge. That's how I'll always remember Dr. Bill William Kuert.*

I first met Dr. Kuert while working at Moi International Airport in Mombasa. In our short time together, he didn't just share his faith; he challenged me to consider my own. When I mentioned my church, he saw potential and encouraged me to pursue full-time ministry, suggesting I attend KAG EAST University for training.

His words resonated deeply. I prayed about it, took his advice to heart, and in May 2025, I was admitted to KAG EAST to study for a certificate in Bible and Theology. I was so excited to meet him on campus and thank him, but God called him home before I could.

Even though our time was brief, his influence was profound. I am forever grateful for the interaction that changed the course of my life and gave me a new purpose. May God bring comfort to his family.

Martin Mwang'ombe Masale, SBT Student

EAST University - October 02, 2025 at 08:06 AM

“ *The passing on of Dr. William Bill Kuert has touched me deeply. I had the rare privilege of walking in fellowship and academic engagement with him for the last 44 years. To me, he was more than just a teacher. He was a mentor, a friend and a living example of what it means to serve God faithfully and consistently.*

I still recall with great clarity the days I sat under his teaching, especially his course on the Pentateuch, which to this day remains one of my favorite classes to have had with him.

Beyond the classroom, his wisdom and guidance proved invaluable. When I was serving as the founding principal of Kings Bible College, based in Deliverance Church Umoja, it was Dr. Bill who offered me counsel as I was drafting the curriculum. His sharp insights, practical advice, and academic discipline became imprinted in my heart and mind. Those seeds of wisdom have not only shaped Kings Bible College but also enabled me to extend help to several Bible colleges across East and Central Africa. His contribution lives on through the generations of ministers who have been trained in these institutions.

Bill Kuert was a man who lived by what he taught. His Christian walk was steady, his family life exemplary and his testimony, consistent. Those of us who had the blessing of closer interaction with him will never forget his warm humor, the way he could lighten moments while still remaining deeply committed to truth. He was approachable, authentic, and dependable and rare combination in today's world.

*It was only last week that I happened to flip through his classic book on, *Christian Education*. That moment felt like revisiting an old conversation with him, never knowing that a few days later I would learn that he had finished his earthly race. Indeed, it is the Lord who writes and closes the chapters of our lives and in his chapter, Bill ran well, served well and impacted many.*

We celebrate him, not just as a scholar, teacher, and advisor, but also as a legend in Christian education and ministry formation. He leaves behind not only his family but also a vast legacy of leaders, pastors, teachers and institutions that bear the mark of his influence.

May the Lord of all comfort surround his wife, his children and the entire family during this time of loss. Though we grieve, we also rejoice that Bill's life was not lived in vain. He leaves a heritage that will endure for generations.

Amen!

Bishop Dr. Joseph Mutua (General Overseer, Cornerstone Christian Church Int'l and Principal of Building for the Future School of Ministry)

EAST University - October 02, 2025 at 08:05 AM

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“*We honor the life of Dr. Bill Kuert. He was friendly to all he met alongside his teaching career. A giant mentor and coach on Christian leadership. He has left a lifetime legacy that has enriched many lives in his teaching ministry. May God Almighty comfort his dear wife Barbara whom they worked together in serving God's people.*

Agatha Thimba

EAST University - October 02, 2025 at 08:04 AM

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“ I will remember Bill for his passion for education, professionalism and his humour. May the Lord comfort his lovely wife Barbara and rest his soul in eternal peace

Dr. Kinuva Wanjiru

EAST University - October 02, 2025 at 08:04 AM

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“ Dear Family of Dr. Bill Kuert,

I am Bosco from Rwanda, a 2006 graduate of the East Africa School of Theology. Dr. Kuert's Psychology course shaped my ministry in both secular and faith contexts, and I will always remember him as a dedicated professor and man of faith. May God comfort and strengthen you.

*With sympathy,
John Bosco Ntakirutimana*

EAST University - October 02, 2025 at 08:03 AM

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“ Bill Kuert was a generous man of strong conviction. I’m humbled to be carrying on part of his legacy though I know I will never be able to lift as much as he did. The first day my family and I arrived to Kenya, Bill and Barbara hosted us and shared wisdom with us late into the night. I remember Bill working quickly, trying to download as much information to me as he could. He welcomed us and loved our family just as he had done with countless Kenyans and Americans before. Unfortunately, this was one his last days he would be serving in Kenya. I will forever be grateful that night and his legacy.

Dr. Kyle J Chalko (VC of EAST)
Anna Chalko (BFF to Barb)

EAST University - October 02, 2025 at 08:02 AM

YF

“ Your Christian Chapel Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Dr. William "Bill" Paul Kuert.



Your Christian Chapel Family - September 23, 2025 at 11:34 AM

RK

“ I had the privilege of knowing Bill Kuert when I was about five years old. His life and ministry profoundly impacted my community in Nairobi, Kenya, where he trained thousands of pastors and touched countless lives. He was also a dear friend to my late father, Rev. Harun Lihanda. May his soul rest in peace, and may his legacy continue to inspire generations.

Ruth Lihanda khayo

Ruth Khayo - September 23, 2025 at 02:51 AM

RK

“ Ruth K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. William "Bill" Paul Kuert.

Ruth K. - September 23, 2025 at 02:43 AM

TF

“ The Kenya Field purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of Dr. William "Bill" Paul Kuert.



The Kenya Field - September 22, 2025 at 12:53 PM

HH

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



Hayhurst Funeral Home - September 22, 2025 at 09:41 AM

GD

“ Bill was a dear friend and brother in Christ. I appreciate his consistent love for his mission to impact Kenya. His dreams for preparing the next generation of ministers became a reality. The new EAST campus is a monument to his hard work and years of devotion. I will miss him.

Greg Davis - September 21, 2025 at 01:02 PM

WS

What precious friends Bill and Barbara are to Ron and I. Still can't make it seem real Bill is in heaven. So thankful for the moments we shared together in May, what a treasure. Much love to you Barb, and your dear sons.

Wanda Sommers - September 21, 2025 at 03:07 PM

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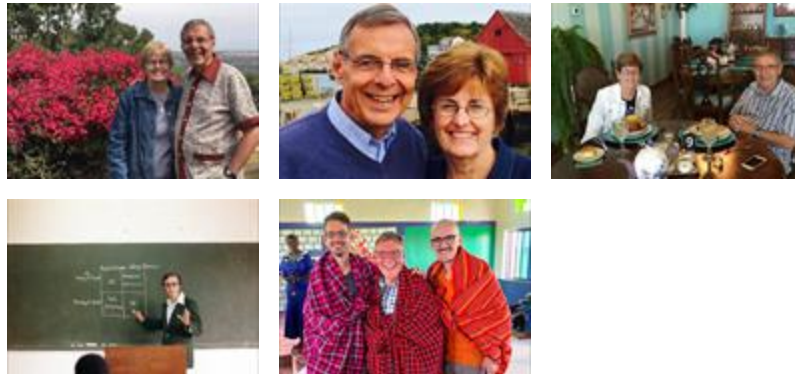
Bill was my Resident Advisor (RA) at ORU in 1965-66, when I was a freshman, and he became a wonderful friend over the years. He and Barbara invested their lives in Kenya and the world is a better place because of the two generations of Kuert family whose involvement in East Africa has portrayed and is portraying "Jesus with rolled up sleeves" to several generations over the decades. Bill and Barbara have left a legacy that is still growing. Faithful and compassionate to people whose dignity mattered to them.

Cory Nickerson

Cory Nickerson - September 23, 2025 at 05:05 PM



“ 25 files added to the album Memories Album



Hayhurst Funeral Home - September 19, 2025 at 11:58 AM

WS

What a beautiful family, to the glory of God!

Wanda Sommers - September 21, 2025 at 03:09 PM

DL

What a joy to know Dr. Kuert these 30 plus years and watch he and Barbara go back and forth to Africa. We will miss him and pray God blesses Barbara and family during this difficult time. Don and Lavern Love

Don and Lavern Lover - September 23, 2025 at 08:10 AM