



Billie Ray Shaver

July 1, 1941 - September 19, 2020

Billie Ray Shaver, 79, of Salisbury, passed away peacefully at TidalHealth Peninsula Regional on Saturday, September 19, 2020, after a brief stay. He was born July 1, 1941, in Statesville, NC, the only son of the late Raymond L. and Beatrice (née Tilley) Shaver. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his first wife Janet Shaver; son Raymond A. Shaver; and grandson Wayne T. Bailey, II.

Billie graduated from Wicomico High School class of 1959. Upon graduating, he proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy until his honorable discharge in 1963. In his younger days, he worked as an EMT in Southern Maryland and was employed at Paramount Pest Control. He dedicated the remainder of his career in sales and finance at various Eastern Shore automotive dealerships, most notably Pohanka Motors in Salisbury. Billie was a sports enthusiast who especially loved NASCAR and the Baltimore Ravens. He had wonderful memories attending many NASCAR southern events with his Uncle Johnny. Most importantly to Billie Ray, he was a devout Christian and a long time active member, song leader and elder of Woodside Chapel. More recently he was a faithful member and Bible study leader at Emmanuel Wesleyan Church in Salisbury. Billie's philosophy was simple: he wanted everyone to know "To live is Christ and to die is gain! Win-Win!"

He is survived by his loving wife of 18 years, Cindy B. Shaver; daughter-in-law, Dee Shaver; grandchildren, Lyndsay, Joshua and Zachary Shaver; stepchildren, David M. Dunbar (Marsha), James H. Grove (Bethany), Eugene

“Tink” Grove, III (Laura), Wayne Thomas Bailey (Mary) and Aimee J. Lloyd (Daniel); 21 additional grandchildren; and several great grandchildren. He is also survived by beloved aunts, Martha Thurstan and Margaret Tilley; and sisters-in-law, Donna Savage, Patricia Bolte, and Kathy Singer (Tom).

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, September 30, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. at Emmanuel Wesleyan Church in Salisbury; family and friends may call from 10:00 to 11:00. Pastor Mark Bunting will officiate. Interment with military honors will follow at the Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery in Hurlock. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, the interment will be private.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to Emmanuel Wesleyan Church, 217 Beaglin Park Drive, Salisbury, MD 21804.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery

6827 E New Market-Hurlock Road
Hurlock, MD 21643

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Emmanuel Wesleyan Church
217 Beaglin Park Drive
Salisbury, MD

Funeral Service

SEP **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Emmanuel Wesleyan Church
217 Beaglin Park Drive
Salisbury, MD

Tribute Wall

SH

“ Prayers for Cindy and family. We have the promise that we will see our loved ones again.



Shirley Harrison - September 29, 2020 at 07:22 PM



“ 72 files added to the album Life Tributes



Short Funeral Home - September 29, 2020 at 05:47 PM

LL

“ I worked with Billy at Cavanaugh Ford in sales, he was always a pleasure to be around with his upbeat attitude about life. May his memory always be as a kind and pleasant soul. Lee Larimore

lee larimore - September 27, 2020 at 09:19 AM

IB

“ Bill was a good friend of mine. We used to work together on the board at Woodside Chapel. As the church treasurer if I was ever a little short of paying a bill, he would always come thru for me. Bill also was the song leader at the church and he led the singing at most all my Gospel Concerts for the Triumphants. Bill always had a smile and he always talked about the Lord. He was my special friend and I love him very much. My prayers are with the whole family.

Irv Brumbley - September 25, 2020 at 10:43 AM

KF

“ Your NC family will have you all in our prayers, praying that you will be comforted by your lasting memories of Billy Ray. We always enjoyed his visits here with us. Our love to all.

Kay Tilley & Family - September 24, 2020 at 07:35 PM

TS

“ I love my uncle. One of my favorite memories with him was when we went to an Orioles game in 2016. It was the day it had been a year since his son died and a year and a day since my dad died. He was always there when you needed him. He always wanted to see people come to know Jesus. He was an inspiration like my father to win souls for Jesus.

Tim Savage - September 23, 2020 at 10:41 PM

NT

“ Billie's love for his God, wife and family has truly touched me. He will be missed!

With Deepest Sympathy - Love Norma

Norma Thompson - September 23, 2020 at 06:18 PM

GH

“ I will miss him dearly. He would always say it was a good day with waking up and having the Lord by his side. He told me if the Lord chooses to take me today I am ok with it. He knows when its my time and he'll know just when to take me home. Praying for the family and especially Ms. Cindy. I was so blessed to have known you "Billie Ray"

Georgia Hudson - September 23, 2020 at 04:56 PM

KE

“ I'll never forget hearing “HEY Kris Eleven!” Or “Hey Eleven!” He didn't think I was a KristEN... it's Kris11 or Eleven. I'm not a 10, I'm always an 11. I'm going to miss hearing his voice and constantly making my day.

Keeping the families & friends in my thoughts and prayers. I'll miss you, Billie!

-Kristen Elzey

Kristen Elzey - September 23, 2020 at 04:43 PM

LS

“ I wish we had more time together. More memories. More photos. You'll live on through us. I love you Poppop. I can't wait to see you, daddy, and nannie again.

Lyndsay Shaver - September 23, 2020 at 03:13 PM

PA

“ We are not sisters-in-law but sisters of Bill. What a wonderful man! I've known him since high school when he moved here from North Carolina. He has helped me so much since my husband passed and is responsible for him finding "the way". I'm missing him every single day, & I just can't imagine how my sister feels. Rest in peace Dear brother, Until we meet again.

Pat - September 23, 2020 at 03:09 PM

AI

I love this aunt Pat! You're right he's your brother. The sweetest man I've ever known ❤️

Aimee - September 23, 2020 at 08:11 PM

MS

“ I have so many memories of MY Uncle Bill from the the time i was a little girl till the day he walked me down the isle when i wed. We loved going to OC to get Bull on the Beach and Thrashes fries. I attended church with him for many many years and it was from him and Aunt Jan that i learned about Christ and the way to heaven. I am going to miss him very much but i know he is happy in Heaven with gold dust under his toe nails.

maribeth shockley - September 23, 2020 at 01:38 PM