



William "Bill" J. Greaser

September 7, 1942 - May 30, 2011

William "Bill" Joseph Greaser, 68, of Laurel, DE passed away on Monday, May 30, 2011, at University of Maryland Medical Center after a long, courageous battle. Born on September 7, 1942, in Baltimore, MD, he was the son of the late Joseph Ignatius Greaser and the late Elma Mae Clements.

Bill graduated from Stephen Decatur High School in 1960. After high school he joined the United States Air Force. After that he attended college at the University of Baltimore and the American Institute of Banking. He graduated from the police academy and served on both the Baltimore and Berlin Police Departments. He then obtained and maintained a Master Plumbing License and retired from Eastern Correctional Institute in 2002.

He was a member of the Snow Hill Jaycees for many years. He was also an active member of Ruritan and belonged to the Nassawango Ruritan club for nineteen years until it disbanded. He then joined the Ellendale Ruritan club where he was a member until his death. He served every officer position in the Nassawango Ruritan club, as well as Zone Lieutenant Governor and Governor, District Lieutenant Governor and Governor and National Foundation Chairperson. In addition to his work in Ruritan, he also enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing and NASCAR racing.

In addition to his parents, Bill was also preceded in death by his grandparents, Reginald and Anne Greaser and William and Nellie Hopkins; a beloved stepfather, Frank Clements; and a beloved stepmother, Lil Greaser. He is survived by his wife, Jan Greaser of Laurel, DE; a daughter and son-in-law,

Elma Beth Fontaine and Jeffrey of Salisbury, MD; his beloved cats, Snowball, Spooky, Tiger, Monkey, Punkin and Princess; a brother, John Greaser of Columbus, NC; a niece and her husband, Dawn Davie and Matt of Dublin, IA; a nephew, Sean Griezer of Omaha, NE; two great-nieces, Abigail and Olivia; and a great-nephew, Abraham.

A visitation will be held Saturday from 12-2:00pm, at Bates Memorial United Methodist Church in Snow Hill, MD. A memorial service will follow at 2:00pm. Interment will be at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to; Ruritan National Foundation, William "Bill" Greaser Educational Fund, P.O. Box 487, Dublin, VA 24084.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home, Delmar. For friends and family that wish to send online condolences to the family, please visit www.shortfh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **11**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Bates Memorial United Methodist Church
116 N. Washington Street
Snow Hill, MD

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Our deepest sympathy for your loss.*

Wally & Lynn Burns

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June 13, 2011 at 06:39 PM



“ *Dear Mrs. Greaser, I was saddened to learn of Mr. Greasers passing. I always enjoyed talking with you both during his visits. He always made me laugh. I will remember him with a smile. God Bless, Tammy P-PRMC##imported-begin##tammy parsons##imported-end##*

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“ *Jan, Beth and Johnny: My family's thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. We had heard of Billy's illness and had hoped his condition had improved. We hadn't seen Billy since his last visits to St. Mary's County to attend several of his aunts' funerals. Please hold your special memories close and remember that he is now reunited with those that have passed before him and is no longer suffering. As a kid, I remember the huge family gatherings to see great-grandmother at the old house in Leonardtown. It was always so special to see all the family members and cousins at these gatherings. God bless. Sharon and Brad (Cousins)##imported-begin##Sharon Mattingly##imported-end##*

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“ Dear Jan,

I'm so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I pray that God comfort your heart with His peace. You will be on my heart and in my prayers in the days to come.

*With love and sympathy.##imported-begin##Abby
Mason##imported-end##*

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