



William "Bill" Frank Collier

June 10, 1914 - June 8, 2012

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William "Bill" Frank Collier, 97, passed away on June 5, 2012, in Dallas, Texas, surrounded by his friends and neighbors, Scott and Emily Howley, Robert Romano, and Celia Gonzales. He was born in El Paso, Texas, on June 10, 1914, and moved to Dallas in the early 1960's. He was born to Merton Frank Collier and Rhoda B. Collier.

Bill is survived by his sister Marian E. Harkness of San Antonio, TX; his niece Carol A. Martinez of Canyon Lake, TX; many nieces and nephews. And long time friend, Martha Snodgrass Hutchinson of Huntsville, TX. He was preceded in death by his friend and partner, Wilson Snodgrass; his father, Merton Frank Collier; his mother, Rhoda B. Collier and niece, Sandra Wingerter.

He attained the rank of Captain while serving in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. Bill retired as a Terminal Manager in the Freight Transportation Industry. He enjoyed traveling around the world with his dear friend and partner Wilson.

A special thanks to Scott and Emily Howley, Robert Romano and Celia Gonzales, who cared for Bill during the last years of his life.

In lieu of flowers, memorials should be made to: Little Woman Home for Animals, 66 Evelyn Lane, Huntsville, Texas 77340.

Funeral services for Bill will be held Friday, June 8, 2012, 10:30 a.m., in the Chapel of Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, Huntsville, Texas, with interment to follow at Brooke Cemetery in Huntsville.

Those wishing to leave memorial condolences for the family may do so at www.shmfh.com

Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" Frank Collier*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Martha you are in my thoughts and prays. It sounds like you have lost a very special person, but it appears his life was a blessing to others. God be with his family in their time of sorrow.*

Beverly Conner Niederhofer - June 07, 2012 at 11:12 PM



“ *My family had the pleasure of knowing Bill through Rob and spending the last three Thanksgivings and two Easters with him. He was always such a gentleman and offered interesting conversation and lively game playing. Bill encouraged me to continue with painting classes and was quite an accomplished artist. He loved opera and classical music and fine dining. We will miss him and his keen intellect and gentle nature. May he rest in peace.*

Carol Hagler - June 07, 2012 at 11:11 PM



“ *Bill came into my life in 1956 and has been like a brother to me. Bill you were always there for me and Vernon. You helped us in so many ways and I hope that you know how much we appreciated you and your generosity. Going to miss our daily phone calls and even though we always said that we didn't know anything, we still talked. It is now time to let you go. I love you Bill.*

Martha Snodgrass Hutchinson - June 07, 2012 at 06:19 PM

MH

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Martha Snodgrass Hutchinson - June 07, 2012 at 06:18 PM

RF

“ We were privileged to know Bill as a result of his friendship with Rob. Sharing time, meals and jigsaw puzzles allowed us to experience Bill's genuine inquisitiveness and intellect, his sensitivity to those around him and his gentlemanly interactions at all times. His reliable and consistent concern for others will be greatly missed. Bill was a true gentleman and will be remembered fondly by those who knew him.

Tara Romano, Rex, Sherry and Kristen Romano

Romano Family - June 07, 2012 at 05:29 PM

SA

“ My deepest sympathy to all of Bill's friends and relatives; especially to you Rob and the 20+ years of friendship you shared with Bill.

I got to know Bill at Thanksgiving Dinners at the Hagler's in the past few years. His sharp mind, quick wit, and excellent memory always amazed me. This Easter Bill beat all of us, including the 20-somethings, at "catch phrase". Bill was a joy to know!

Sandra Adams - June 07, 2012 at 03:45 PM

CR

“ Martha, my heart goes out to you and Bills family and friends. I loved that you called him everyday before his passing. Rest in peace Bill.

Cathy Ramsey - June 07, 2012 at 01:50 PM

RR

“ Bill was one of my best friends. Although we were from different generations, Bill and I had more in common than I have with most of my peers, even though we were 50 years apart. He was very caring and made me feel more special than anyone. He always figured I would rather hang out with somebody "younger and better looking", but he didn't get that I enjoyed hanging out with him because he made me feel good about myself. He had faith in me and would tell me I was capable of doing anything I wanted. And by the way, I would always tell him how everybody thought he was so incredibly cute, which they did! He was also a very beautiful person on the inside and was always interested in meeting new people and learning about them. He was a great listener and remembered anything you ever told him. Bill and I enjoyed many dinners together and much time making jigsaw puzzles and working on crosswords. I was very happy to have been with Bill as he completed his long and wonderful life at his peaceful home. I am going to miss my buddy greatly.

Robert Romano - June 07, 2012 at 12:10 PM

KF

“ Just wanted you to know, Martha, I am thinking of you & the rest of Bills family & friends in this time of deep sorrow. RIP, Bill. Sending you much love & many hugs, Martha, my friend.

Karen French - June 07, 2012 at 08:38 AM

EL

“ Blessings light and Love to all who suffer Bills passing...Remember he is now reunited with those he loved and missed ...and try to find peace and solice in knowing this truth .

Ellie - June 07, 2012 at 08:18 AM

SA

“ My prayers and affection for a dear lifelong friend. He will be missed and remembered always as a very special person in my life. Rest in Peace.

Sergio Apodaca - June 06, 2012 at 07:14 PM

JB

“ Martha, my sincere condolences. It was very nice to see the pictures of Bill, Wilson and Vernon. Thank you for posting them.

Jack

Jack Barber - June 06, 2012 at 05:02 PM

TB

“ So sorry for your loss, Martha. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

Tina Brown - June 06, 2012 at 02:22 PM

JB

“ Martha Ann,
So very sorry for your loss. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. Much love,
Jamie Brinegar

Jamie Brinegar - June 06, 2012 at 11:44 AM