



## William H. "Bill" Jordan, Jr

April 1, 1941 - March 2, 2016

William H. "Bill" Jordan Jr. (1941 - 2016)

William H. "Bill" Jordan Jr., son of Thelma and William Jordan and beloved husband, son, brother, father, and grandfather, passed away peacefully at his ranch in Huntsville, Texas on March 2, 2016 after a long and courageous bout with cancer. Bill was born in Houston on April 1, 1941. In 1959, he graduated from Mt. Carmel High School. After high school, Bill attended Texas A&M University in College Station and was a member of the Corps of Cadets. After graduating from Texas A&M in 1963 with a B.A. in Business Administration, Bill moved to Austin and earned a law degree from the University of Texas School of Law in 1966. Bill next returned to Texas A&M and obtained his Master's degree in Accounting. Bill was a Certified Public Accountant and practiced as both an accountant and attorney from the late 1960s until his semi-retirement in 2007. In addition to running a busy law practice, Bill was a member of the board of Harrisburg Bank and later Frost Bank.

In 1965, Bill married Claire King of Houston. Bill and Claire were high school sweethearts and attended the same grade school, St. Christopher's, and high school. Bill and Claire were blessed with a large family, three boys and three girls. Bill loved the outdoors, especially the Piney Woods of East Texas. In the 1970s, Bill began buying land near Huntsville. Over time, Bill's land grew from a handful of acres surrounding a trailer to a tree farm covering hundreds of

acres. Bill and Claire built their dream home on this property and have made the Jordan Ranch their home since 1992. Bill had a loyal following of law clients and many of those clients become lifetime friends that Bill and Claire treated like family. Because of client requests, Bill continued to practice from the ranch well into his semi-retirement. Bill enjoyed traveling with Claire and going on hunting excursions with his sons, cousins, and friends. Most of all, Bill loved working the land on his tractor, feeding his Longhorn cattle, tending to his lake and ponds, practicing forestry, and building and maintaining deer stands, roads, and bridges. Bill's many hobbies including collecting antique guns and flying his vintage airplane from his grass airstrip at the Jordan Ranch. He was a friend to many and he never missed a chance to invite friends and family to the ranch to hunt, fish, or just sit and talk, and Bill's favorite subjects included politics, trees, travel, and his six kids and ten grandchildren. Bill was a soft spoken man with a sharp mind and a big heart. Bill was a giving person and he especially enjoyed helping a friend or family member with a personal, legal, or business issue. Bill was one of a kind and he will be terribly missed.

Bill is survived by his wife of fifty years, Claire Jordan; his children, William (Bill) Jordan of Seattle, and his children Gabriella, Isabella and Landon; Elizabeth Fulghum and husband Roger Fulghum of Houston and their children, Caroline and Ryan; John Jordan and wife Lisa Jordan of Austin and his children, Vivian and Calvin; Suzanne Jordan Blume of Huntsville and her children, Luke, Buck and Maggie Sue; Joseph Jordan of Spring; and daughter Jackie Jordan of Huntsville. Bill is also survived by sister Joanne Dougherty, Sister Janis (Cookie) Jordan, sister Thelma (Candy) Bommer and husband David Bommer, and brother Robert (Bob) Jordan, and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews on his and Claire's side of the family.

On Friday, March 4th, a Catholic Rosary will be held at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home at 1700 Normal Park Drive in Huntsville, with a

viewing beginning at 5:00 P.M. and a Rosary beginning at 7:00 P.M. On Saturday, March 5th, there will be a viewing at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, beginning at 9:00 A.M. with a prayer service to follow at 11:00 A.M. A private burial will follow at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that those interested make a donation in Bill's name to Inspiration Village, which is a residential ranch for the mentally challenged and has provided care to Bill's youngest daughter, Jackie, for many years. Donations can be mailed to Inspiration Village at P.O. Box 667, Trinity, TX 75862. Visit them at [www.InspirationVillage.org](http://www.InspirationVillage.org).

Full obituary may be viewed and memorial condolences made to the family at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 4. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville  
1700 Normal Park Dr.  
Huntsville, TX 77340  
(936) 291-7300  
belinda@shmfmh.com

## Rosary

MAR 4. 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Visitation

MAR 5. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Service

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MAR 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *William H. "Bill" Jordan, Jr*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Claire*

*I would like to offer you and your family my deepest sympathy for your loss. Although I have not seen you or Bill in several years I have some very fond memories, and apologize for not being able to make the funeral.*

*May God bless you and give you strength in your time of sorrow.*

*Best Regards*

*Adolph Velek*



**Adolph Velek** - March 07, 2016 at 09:30 AM



“ *Dearest Claire,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family. May your strong faith give you comfort during this most sad time.*

*Love,*

*Rick, Peggy Sue and Sam McWhorter*

**Peggy Sue McWhorter** - March 05, 2016 at 10:25 PM

FI

“ *Friends at Gas Innovations purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of William H. "Bill" Jordan, Jr.*



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**Friends at Gas Innovations** - March 04, 2016 at 04:54 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of William H. "Bill" Jordan, Jr.*



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March 04, 2016 at 04:17 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William H. "Bill" Jordan, Jr.*



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March 04, 2016 at 12:21 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William H. "Bill" Jordan, Jr.*



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March 04, 2016 at 11:18 AM

PW

“ *Patty and Des Woods purchased the Amazing Arboricola for the family of William H. "Bill" Jordan, Jr.*



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**Patty and Des Woods** - March 04, 2016 at 10:14 AM

KF

“ *So sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you all during this tough time.*  
*Jason, Sandra, Noah and Charles Keepers*

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**Keepers Family** - March 04, 2016 at 10:12 AM

RM

“ *I am sad to hear that Mr. Bill Jordan passed away. He and his wife were the first people we met when we moved to Texas. He and his family will always have a special place in our lives. My condolences to the Jordan family from Rey Jr. And Family.*

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**Rey Merlos** - March 03, 2016 at 08:52 PM

SF

“ *Stan & Lorie Fortson purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of William H. "Bill" Jordan, Jr.*



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**Stan & Lorie Fortson** - March 03, 2016 at 04:16 PM

DF

“ *Dorry, Mick, Karen & Dick and family, Jim & Jo and family purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of William H. "Bill" Jordan, Jr.*



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**Dorry, Mick, Karen & Dick and family, Jim & Jo and family -**  
March 03, 2016 at 03:44 PM

JD

“ *So sorry I can't be there with you, but we send our love and condolences to you all. We will miss Bill's soft spoken ways and wry sense of humor. So hard to believe he's gone. With loving thoughts and prayers,*  
*Jim and Jo*

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**Joanne Dearlove -** March 03, 2016 at 03:43 PM

GR

“ *How heartbreaking that Bill Jordan has passed away. I was his secretary during most of the 70's until the early 80s, and we remained friends over the years. He was one of the most intelligent, interesting and versatile men I've ever known. His devotion to his family, beautiful Claire and the kids, was inspirational. He lived a wonderful, full life and the world will be a sadder place without him in it. My love and condolences to the family.*

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**Gail Rutherford -** March 03, 2016 at 03:14 PM

LD

“ I was sad to learn of Mr. Jordan's passing. Mr. Jordan gave me my first job in the legal field. I learned so much in 9 years of working for him in his law practice. He was always fair, patient, interesting and professional. One of his colleagues once accurately described him as a true Renaissance Man! He was very smart and knew alot about so many things. I also appreciate the Jordans' generosity in allowing my son, as a young boy, to bass fish the lakes at the ranch. Great memories that he still mentions today. My thoughts are with Claire and all of the Jordan family during this time.

Laura Davis - March 03, 2016 at 02:42 PM



“ Peace Eternal Wreath was purchased for the family of William H. "Bill" Jordan, Jr.



March 03, 2016 at 12:41 PM

JJ

“ Mr. Jordan,  
I wish to thank you for utmost kindness you have shown me and my family since we have known you. While your loss saddens our hearts, we are thankful for the memories we were able to share with you and your family. May God's Grace be upon you and your family.  
Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey P. Jacob



Jeffrey P. Jacob - March 03, 2016 at 11:52 AM