



William H. Wade Jr.

March 21, 1933 - April 8, 2024

William H. Wade, Jr. (Bill) passed away peacefully at Kroontje Health Care Center in Blacksburg, VA on April 8, 2024. He is survived by his loving and devoted wife of 62 years, Lois B. Wade. He is also survived by his brother-in-law: Reverend David Bayse. He is survived by three nephews: John Bayse (Kelly), Paul Bayse (Diane), and Timothy Bayse (Jocelyn). Also, two cousins: Fredene Poff and Reginald Gentry. Also surviving are his extended family: Betty Greene (William), Lesley Mitchell (Jeff), Abi Lester (Darrell), and Ernestine Weeks. Also, nieces by marriage: Aldene Bradley (Jay) and Anette Lloyd (Mark). Special friends left to cherish his memory are Sandy and David Price, Wanda and Cam Chalmers, Sandra Smith, and Pastor John and Carrie Hopkins. He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Beulah and Howard Wade and his sister, Mae Wade Bayse.

Bill was born in Vicker, Virginia on March 21, 1933. As a young adult, he worked with his father, constructing homes in Blacksburg, VA. He went on to serve his country in the Army Engineering Aviation Battalion in Korea. While in service, he attended the ETA Jima Specialist School in Japan. Upon returning from overseas, he received his AAS degree in Architectural Drafting from New River Community College in 1975. Bill held various positions throughout his career, including Project Engineer at Hubbell Lighting and serving as Project Manager for the Horton Center for the Virginia Tech Foundation. He was a faithful attender of Blacksburg First Wesleyan Church since he was a child,

enjoying assisting with sound equipment for services as a young adult.

Bill and Lois were married on February 10, 1962, in Roanoke, VA. They began many travels and have been to 48 states, as well as Canada. In their later years, Bill and Lois served as primary caregivers to many dear family members. Bill was a wonderful and dedicated supporter of Lois in her love for nursing home ministry. Bill greatly enjoyed spending time on the enclosed porch, enjoying the sun, beautiful views, and watching the deer from his home, despite his struggle with dementia and his eventual stay in Kroontje Heath Care Center.

A note of special thanks to Carilion New River Valley Medical Center, LewisGale Hospital Montgomery, Dr. Schano, Blacksburg Volunteer Rescue Squad and Christiansburg Rescue Squad. Also, to the three main caregivers: Fredene Poff, Anette Lloyd, and Darrell Lester.

Thanks to McCoy Funeral Home, following his passing, Bill was able to make his final trip through Vicker, VA, followed by his wife, Lois, his cousin, Fredene, and his niece, Anette.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to Blacksburg First Wesleyan Church Outreach Project, a project begun by Bill and Lois to help others: Blacksburg First Wesleyan, 1406 Giles Road, Blacksburg, VA 24060.

Visitation will be on Friday, April 12, 2024, from 12:30 to 1:30 pm, at McCoy Funeral Home, followed by a short service at 2:00 in the mausoleum at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Christiansburg, VA, with Pastor John Hopkins officiating, assisted by Reverend David Bayse.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Memorial Gardens

2880 N. Franklin Street
Christiansburg, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **12**. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

McCoy Funeral Home
150 Country Club Dr. S.W.
Blacksburg, VA 24060
(540) 552-3211
mccoyfuneralhome@verizon.net
<https://mccoyfuneralhome.com>

Graveside Service

APR **12**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JJ

“ I met Bill and Lois thru New River Community College in 1973 and since a friendship with both. Lois and I were college buddies throughout NRCC and Radford College. As I got to know Bill more, he would tease me especially on the girls. At this era in time, the only Wendey's was located in Fairlawn. I would purchase 4 Wendey frosty's and drop by their house with these time to time. One for each of us and the forth for their dog--he loved frosties! I am very blessed to know both Lois and Bill and reminisce often of their wonderful memories they both created. The value of both their memories created with them are priceless! As I am a veteran, I appreciate Bill's service to our country! Words cannot express my appreciation in my heart of how both Bill and Lois influenced my life in my youth, Thank you! Bill is a wondurful man and now will be missed here on earth!



*Sincerely,
Joe Johnson
US Army disable veteran*

Joe D Johnson - May 10, 2024 at 03:16 AM

RP

“ My sincere condolence to Lois and family. I will be praying for you.

Rocky Price - April 12, 2024 at 07:49 PM

DW

“ *Lois, I am so sorry for your loss. Bill was such a kind, wonderful man. Our loss is diffidently heaven's gain.*



Delores Wall - April 10, 2024 at 11:35 AM



“ *Diana Albert lit a candle in memory of William H. Wade Jr.*



Diana Albert - April 09, 2024 at 09:42 PM



“ *I had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Bill while employed at the bank. He would always call me to see what "his best rate was". Such a joy to talk to him and Lois. He had the most beautiful blue eye's. Rest in peace Mr. Bill. You will be missed.*

Diana Albert - April 09, 2024 at 09:41 PM

PH

Lois sending sympathy and love.

Peggy Huffman - April 10, 2024 at 03:26 PM