



Bill Bride

March 24, 1943 - December 7, 2020

Billy "Bill" Eugene Bride, 77, of Bloomfield, Iowa, passed away on December 7, 2020, at University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics in Iowa City of the covid-19 virus. He was born March 24, 1943, in Ottumwa, Iowa, to Vernet and Irene Hill Bride. He graduated in 1961 with the first graduating class from Davis County Community High School (formerly Bloomfield High School). Following service with the U.S. Army from 1964-1966, Bill married Mary Joanne Jones of Drakesville, Iowa, at the Bloomfield Methodist Church on January 22, 1967, an unusually balmy winter day with temperatures in the mid-60's. Bill and Joanne celebrated 53 years of marriage in 2020.

Bill was a faithful and dedicated member of the Bloomfield United Methodist Church. He especially treasured his long-term membership and participation in the Monday Night Men's Bible Study Group.

He was also a long-time member and past Worshipful Master of Franklin Masonic Lodge # 14 A.F. and A.M. in Bloomfield. Bill has been a commissioner on the local VA (Veterans Affairs) Board for approximately 20 years and a long-time member and president of the local Community Housing Board. He served on the Citizens Mutual board of directors for several years. He was a member and past president of the Bloomfield Jaycees and a member of the local Optimist Club. He was involved with the area Johnny Poppers Two-Cylinder Club and greatly enjoyed many tractor rides with his

“tractor buddies”. He and his brother Ron were proud of their collection of John Deere tractors, which they had restored and frequently drove in local and area parades. Bill also enjoyed many hours with local men’s coffee groups.

Bill was employed at Mikels Inc. in Bloomfield for 37 years in auto sales. He had been co-owner of Bill and Roy’s Conoco. He and his brother Ron had always been involved in their family farm operation. Bill and Joanne enjoyed traveling with other Citizens Mutual board members and with Allied Tours groups to several areas of the country.

Bill’s three sons, his daughters-in-law, and his four grandchildren were truly the lights of his life. He was happiest when spending time with family and traveled often to visit them. A family trip to Disney World was a true highlight.

Bill is survived by his wife Joanne, son Phillip (Julie) of North Liberty, IA, son Kent of St. Louis, MO, and son Monte (Melissa) of Golden, CO, grandchildren Sophia and Lauren of North Liberty; Reegan and Quinn of Golden. Brother Ron Bride (Phyllis) of Bloomfield, IA. He was preceded in death by his parents and his grandparents Charles and Effie (Watts) Bride and Guy and Nellie (Piper) Hill.

A celebration of life gathering will be held from 2-5:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 12, 2021 at the Bloomfield United Methodist Church. Military rites will be performed at 2:00 p.m. at the church. Wagler Funeral Home in Bloomfield is in charge of arrangements and online condolences may be directed to www.waglerfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN 12. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Bloomfield United Methodist Church
401 E. North St.
Bloomfield, IA 52537

Tribute Wall



“ *Bill Bride*

January 28, 2023 at 10:57 AM



“ *Dear Joann and Family; so sorry for your loss. I have known Bill since 1957 we met at a 4H meeting. Bill will be greatly miss by all of us. Go in Peace. James Leyda*



James F. Leyda - June 12, 2021 at 02:12 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Bill Bride.*



June 08, 2021 at 02:23 PM



“ *Lynn Roberts lit a candle in memory of Bill Bride*



Lynn roberts - June 03, 2021 at 10:51 PM

EG

“ *Edward & Regina Gooden lit a candle in memory of Bill Bride*



Edward & Regina Gooden - June 03, 2021 at 06:28 PM

JM

“ *Dear Joanne, I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. It has been a long time since we have seen each other, but I have fond memories of your family's kindness when my brothers and I were little. Mom and Grandma always spoke so highly of Bill and respected him very much. Thinking of you and your family and sending my love during this difficult time. Sincerely, Johanna MacKenzie (Bernie's granddaughter and Carolyn's daughter)*

Johanna MacKenzie - December 18, 2020 at 04:16 PM

IF

“ *Joanne, I am so sorry for your loss, Richard has been gone for two years not a day goes by that I don't think of him. You and your family are in my prayers. Lone Friend*

lone Friend - December 17, 2020 at 11:38 PM



“ We are very sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I recall Bill as always being so kind and having a warm smile. The last time I saw Bill was about a year ago, and to no surprise he looked at me first, and said "Hi Darin," before I could even say Hi Bill.... I must say I was a little taken back that he recalled so quickly as to just which Knowler boy I was... :) :) ... Always such a true, warm and kind soul. All of our care and love to JoAnn and the entire Bride family. Darin and Lisa Knowler.

Darin Knowler - December 16, 2020 at 12:39 PM



“ Love you, always. Miss you, always. Martin & Carolyn Shook

Martin & Carolyn Shook - December 15, 2020 at 08:39 AM



“ Bill and I were in the same graduating class and he was a great classmate. He was humble and kind. The years never changed him. His wife Joanne was also our classmate and she is just as kind. Condolences to her and his family. He will be missed. We both had sons that graduated in the same class 26 years later. That's a special bond.

Ron Morgan - December 13, 2020 at 02:19 PM



“ Bill was a great guy and had a very positive impact on me growing up. Our deepest sympathy to your family. - Blaise Boles

Blaise Boles - December 13, 2020 at 11:38 AM

PM

“ Knew Bill from our school days at Bloomfield even though he was a year behind me! Sincere sympathies to all the family and may God ease your pain and suffering! God bless

Phillip Mathews - December 12, 2020 at 04:07 PM

LS

“ Our deepest sympathy goes out to you Joanne, Phillip, Kent, Monte and your families. Ron and Phyllis are included in our heartfelt sadness. We were truly saddened by Bill's passing. Just know that Bill lives on in those grandchildren that he loved so much! We will all be together again in that great family reunion in heaven.



Linda and Larry Sample - December 12, 2020 at 11:51 AM

NL

“ Joanne and family...so sorry to hear about Bill and please know my thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. My brother Mike passed from Covid in September! You and I can take hope in the fact that we will see both of them again one day! Stay safe!
Nancy Wilson Lucas

Nancy Wilson Lucas - December 12, 2020 at 11:49 AM

SH

“ Susan Houglund lit a candle in memory of Bill
Bride



Susan Houglund - December 12, 2020 at 09:45 AM

RL

“ Roger And Nancy Wilson Lucas lit a candle in memory of Bill Bride



Roger and Nancy Wilson Lucas - December 12, 2020 at 08:13 AM

GS

“ Georgia Stevens lit a candle in memory of Bill Bride



Georgia Stevens - December 12, 2020 at 03:07 AM



“ I have known Bill all of my life. His family and my family have grown up as neighbors across the street from each other. Bill and Joanne went to school with my parents. He was the most caring loving man, he had the biggest heart of gold, he would do anything for anybody, he was God loving man, he will be missed dearly by so many because of the legacy he left behind! My favorite memories were when our families went on vacation together, the neighborhood parties we had, the times our families were at each other's houses hanging out together, and most of all watching Bill and his brother Ron driving their antique tractors in the parade! My heart goes out to Joanne, Phil & family, Kent, Monte & family, you all are in my thoughts and prayers! I love you guys!

JakeNess Davidson - December 11, 2020 at 09:29 PM

RC

“ *Richard And Dixie Coy lit a candle in memory of Bill Bride*



Richard and Dixie Coy - December 11, 2020 at 09:07 PM

CW

“ *It is hard to find the right words to say to your family, Joanne. My very deepest sympathy to you and yours. I am so glad that you have the hope of seeing Bill again in Heaven. It may not seem like much sometimes, but that is an awesome thing, just knowing that. I found this or maybe someone sent it to me after my Tom passed. It helped me so I am sharing it: The moment that you died, my heart was torn in two. One side filled with heartache, the other died with you. I often wake at night, when the world is fast asleep, and take a walk down memory lane with tears upon my cheeks. Remembering you is easy, I do it every day, but missing you is heartache that never goes away. I hold you tightly in my heart, and there you will remain until that joyous day arrives when we are together again. Love to a dear dear friend that I have known all my life.*

Cathy Warner - December 11, 2020 at 07:48 PM

ST

“ *Susan Trout lit a candle in memory of Bill Bride*



Susan Trout - December 11, 2020 at 07:27 PM

TC

“ *Tammy L Clifton lit a candle in memory of Bill
Bride*



Tammy I Clifton - December 11, 2020 at 05:12 PM

JS

“ *Jake & Vicki Scott lit a candle in memory of
Bill Bride*



Jake & Vicki Scott - December 11, 2020 at 05:08 PM

LR

“ *Hi thier yo the family of Bill my thought and prayers for all of you in
the family o remember bill in sunday school bible school with joan
we always like his saying about the lord lynn Robert's*

Lynn roberts - December 11, 2020 at 02:51 PM

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