



## Bill Farley

June 18, 1946 - February 17, 2019

William Ray Farley, 72, of rural Bloomfield, Iowa passed away on February 17, 2019 at the VA Hospital in Des Moines. He was born June 18, 1946 in Milton, Iowa to Kenneth V. and Ruth Ann Hyde Farley. He graduated from Davis County High School in 1964 and served in the U.S. Navy from 1965-1969, completing two tours of duty in Vietnam and reaching rank of Boatswain's Mate Petty Officer 3rd Class. On October 6, 1972 he married Joyce Birchmier at the Bloomfield United Methodist Church.

Bill worked as a bridge crew foreman for the Davis County Secondary Roads Department for 36 years, retiring in 2012. He also did a lot of custom haying work over the years. He was a member and president of Vietnam Veterans of American Chapter #667 in Ottumwa, served in the Honor Guard for Reed-Whisler Post #78 of the American Legion, and was active with the Davis County Historical Society as-well-as the Pioneer Cemetery Committee. He was a former member of the Nazarene Church where he served as steward and current member of the Mark Baptist Church.

Bill enjoyed fishing and hunting with coon hunting being his favorite. He also enjoyed watching his children and grandchildren's sporting events, playing cards, gardening, and sharing the produce from his garden with family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce Farley; daughter, Linda Kulmatycki of Bloomfield; two sons, Joel (Crystal) Farley, Aaron (Kristina) Farley both of Bloomfield; nine grandchildren, Cody and Emma Kulmatycki, Olivia Robinson, Will, Dawn, and Luke Farley, Kaden, Cole, and Rachel Farley; three sisters, Barbara (Tony) Seibert of Moulton, Iowa, Sandy (Doug) Warning of Bloomfield, Brenda Danielson of Milan, Missouri; two brothers, Richard (Pat) Farley of Winter Haven, Florida, John Farley of Davenport, Iowa; sister-in-law, Joretta (Jim) Stewart of Kanab, Utah; two brothers-in-law, Wayne Birchmier of Bloomfield, Rex (Mary) Birchmier of Ottumwa, Iowa; and several nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; infant brother, Tommy Farley; sister, Linda Pitman; brother-in-law, Lanny Danielson; and sister-in-law, Sherry Birchmier.

Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, February 22, 2019 at the Wagler Funeral Home in Bloomfield with Pastors Richard Farley and Jon Kaushal officiating. Burial will be at the Hopkins Cemetery in Davis County with military rites performed by Reed-Whisler Post #78 of the American Legion. Visitation will begin at noon on Thursday with the family present to greet friends from 5-7:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorials have been established to Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #667 and the Davis County Look to the Stars Cancer Foundation.

# Cemetery Details

## Hopkins Cemetery

Bloomfield, IA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 21. 12:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wagler Funeral Home  
304 West Jefferson Street  
Bloomfield, IA 52537  
(641) 664-3421  
<https://www.waglerfuneralhome.com/>

## Visitation

FEB 21. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wagler Funeral Home  
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## Funeral Services

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FEB **22**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Bill Farley*

January 28, 2023 at 10:57 AM



“ *I am so sorry to just learn of Bill's passing. I knew him from several years back when I attended Davis County High School. During the summer I was working at the school bus garage. where I met Bill. He talked to me about making extra money with him putting up hay. I really enjoyed working for him. He was hard working and fair. Some of my favorite memories are from putting up hay with Bill. One time he invited me to go coon hunting with him. We went out somewhere but had no luck. We went back to his house but his wife wasn't feeling well that night so he stayed home but said I could go out in his pasture. Being a young teen, this was my first time being by myself coon hunting. The area was like one big open area with one tree standing pretty much by itself. It had 4 coons in it. I ran back to Bill's house to see if he wanted to help. He did. I don't remember if we got all of them or not. I still remember he had a nickname for me which was "Hoover." I will never forget Bill.*

*I was born and raised in Bloomfield, Iowa. I currently reside in Lawton, OK. I retired from the US Army in October 1996 after 20 years, 8 months and 13 days of service.*

*Jackie (Jack) L. Haskell, Sergeant First Class (SFC), US Army,  
Retired*

**Jack Haskell** - November 30, 2019 at 04:03 AM

GB

“ Bill was part of our school family during Springville School days. Bill and Jim were in the same grade. Our memories of those days and the friendships we shared with all the kids are special. Although several of them have left this earth, their memories live in our hearts. Remembering laughter at recess, a nod of approval from Mary Ellen, or a shy, sweet smile from Bill makes those people and days our favorite moments in life.

*Jim and Georgia Wilty Botts*

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Georgia Botts - February 22, 2019 at 11:54 AM



“ European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Bill Farley.



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February 21, 2019 at 03:19 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Bill Farley.



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February 20, 2019 at 09:25 PM



“ Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White was purchased for the family of Bill Farley.



February 20, 2019 at 05:28 PM



“ Ms Linda and Family. I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your Dad. You and your Family are in my prayers for y'all in this difficult time. May GOG walk with you and carry you through..

**Beverly Schafer** - February 20, 2019 at 11:42 AM



“ Joyce, Linda and all the Farley family, what a loss you are having, he touched so many lives, always smiling, friendly and encouraging in such a soft gentle touch. He left many good memories to hold. Hugs to all of you!

**Nancy Lanman** - February 20, 2019 at 11:12 AM



“ Teddy And Mary Cary lit a candle in memory of Bill Farley



**Teddy and Mary Cary** - February 20, 2019 at 10:55 AM



“ So sorry to hear of Bill's passing...praying....

**Larry and Sherry Hopkins** - February 19, 2019 at 11:30 PM

DB

“ We send our love and sympathies to Joyce and her family! We will always have great memories of Bill and his compassionate spirit toward others. He will truly be missed!

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**Dave & Deb Burns** - February 19, 2019 at 11:09 PM

JB

“ John and Sarah Breon purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Bill Farley.



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**John and Sarah Breon** - February 19, 2019 at 07:57 PM

IF

“ Our heart felt blessings to Linda and all the family. I was raised in the Mark Area. We went to Mark to Farley's station, Frenches store, Produce and Church. I shared some stories with Linda. Remember God's promises are true. Lone Reynolds, Friend

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**lone Friend** - February 19, 2019 at 11:06 AM

SD

“ Sending our condolences to the entire Farley Family.

*Tom & Suzanne Dean*

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**Suzanne Dean** - February 19, 2019 at 09:49 AM

FH

“ Sorry for your loss, thinking of you all at this time. God Bless each of you, may you feel his loving arms of strength and care around you. Remember the good times memories are precious . Ron & Fran Harris

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**Fran Harris** - February 19, 2019 at 09:14 AM

SK

“ So sorry for your loss. Thinking of you all during this difficult time.

*Sarah (Jones) Kearney*

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**Sarah (Jones) Kearney** - February 18, 2019 at 09:31 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Bill Farley.



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February 18, 2019 at 09:13 PM

DF

“ Dan & Patti Foley and family purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Bill Farley.



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**Dan & Patti Foley and family** - February 18, 2019 at 08:56 PM

RG

“ Regina Gooden lit a candle in memory of Bill Farley



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Regina Gooden - February 18, 2019 at 08:31 PM

RG

Bill was always fun to visit with and was a guy who would go way out of his way to help anyone. Our thoughts and prayers to the family.

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Regina Gooden - February 18, 2019 at 08:33 PM

DA

Dear Farley family, We will be keeping you all in prayer in this sad time. Greaving is very important & will help you thru tough times. Dave is our leader in our small church group & we're so glad to know him. God bless you all & keep you close.

Sunway Connection Group, Winter Haven Florida.  
Rocky & Dietz, Ron & Karin, Jodi & Rob, Joe & Tab ... In Jesus name, we all pray for your family.

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Donna "Dietz" ANDRACCHIO - February 19, 2019 at 07:02 AM

DA

“ Bill you were much more than a father figure to me your were a great friend teacher mentor and inspiration the light of theworld is a little bit dimmer without your candle burning so brightly in it love you & miss you more than words can express you are in Heaven whole and watching over all your family thank you for being you. Love Donald "heavy duty"

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Donald Atwood - February 18, 2019 at 06:35 PM

SW

“ *Bill taught me many things and was always kind, even to his sometimes annoying little sister. I love you, Bill, and will miss you greatly.*

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**Sandy Warning** - February 18, 2019 at 06:32 PM

DM

*Sandy& family I am sorry for your loss of your brother. You got my deepest sympathy.*

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**Delilah morrow** - February 18, 2019 at 07:00 PM

RM

“ *I will miss his wonderful, loving hugs! May God comfort you and wrap his arms around you. You are in my prayers. Love, Renita*

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**Renita Murrell** - February 18, 2019 at 06:29 PM

PF

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. He was a wonderful person and I know he will be missed. Prayers for the family in this difficult time. Love to you all.*

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**Patti & Dan Foley** - February 18, 2019 at 05:56 PM

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“ *Joyce so sorry to hear of Bills passing and your loss. Praying for comfort to you and your family.*

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**Harold & Linda Yahnke** - February 18, 2019 at 05:47 PM