



Mr. Cecil Willis

September 24, 1940 - February 17, 2021

Mr. Cecil Campbell Willis, at the age of 80 years, fell asleep in Jesus on February 17, 2021. He was joined in holy matrimony to Carolynne Brown on January 11, 1965. Preceded in death by his parents Louis Dale and Doris Geraldine Willis; sisters Patsy (Bruce) Waterman, Terry (Glenn) Carter and brother Glenn Anthony "Tony" Willis.

He is survived by his wife Carolynne of 56 years; sisters Dale (Billy) Bushulen, Karey (Randall) Gregory, Doris Willis, Harriet (Michael) Springer, Amanda Willis; brother Phillip (Beverly) Willis and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cecil was a 1959 graduate of East High School. He served his country with pride in the United States Army from 1961-1965. On July 13, 2001, Cecil retired after 30 years of service between Dupont and Reemay/BBA Fiberweb. He served as President of the Wellington Neighborhood Association. He was an enthusiastic sports fan of Vanderbilt University. Above all his living interest and his dedication to his family and friends never ended. How blessed we all are to have known him.

God blessed Cecil's life with special people as he served God in his vocations at home, church, work and in the community.

The family extends their gratitude and appreciation to all who loved and touched Cecil's life. He will be dearly missed and forever in our hearts.

A private memorial service for family only will be held at a later date. Memorial gifts in Cecil's name may be given to Ascension Lutheran Church, 610 W Old Hickory Blvd, Madison, TN 37115 for the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Arrangements entrusted to Spring Hill Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5110 Gallatin Pike, Nashville, TN 37216, 615-865-1101, www.springhillfh.com.

Comments



“ It is still hard to taken it in that Cecil is now in his last phase of life, helping and having fun in Heaven with his family and friends that were waiting for his arrival. Although, I can still see Cecil bringing our Christmas presents. Cecil had such a great sense of humor and if I could have reach his face I always wanted to pinch those cute little facial cheeks! Carolynne, I will always cherish our trips back and forth to church. If you need ANYTHING please let me know. Your Sister in Christ, Dawn (& of course Scout)

Dawn - February 23, 2021 at 09:28 AM



“ Sheryl Whitbey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Cecil Willis



Sheryl Whitbey - February 19, 2021 at 08:39 PM



“ Cecil was my uncle. He named me when I was born. He and Carolyne Have always been connected, involved, caring, and giving to me and my children our whole lives. He was one of the nicest men I've ever known. He was always friendly and funny and up to date on the good things in life. They were a compassionate and giving couple to everyone, Always ready to help in any way. He will be missed beyond words can say. He was very special to me, as he was to probably everyone he met. An amazing human being no matter what was going in his own life. He and Carolyne are true Christian people and are admired for their love and kindness. He was a great conversationalist and played an essential and positive influence on so many lives through his life journey. Especially mine. I know he is in heaven and not hurting or sick anymore.

Vanessa Rains - February 17, 2021 at 10:37 PM



“ My heartfelt condolences go out to you Carolyne and to the entire Willis family. You are all the most loving family I have ever known I share in your grief and broken hearts. Please call on me if there is anything I can do to help relieve your pain. I know the Lord God is looking over Cecil and has welcomed him to heaven! Love to all of you!

Rita Stinson - February 18, 2021 at 12:58 PM



“ Cecil was a great friend, ha king known he and Carolyne 20 years. Our last visit was a drop by visit with donuts. I shall always remember his cheerful laughter, sweet smile, giving heart. He gave me a Christmas santa (that I call my Cecil doll). I shall always cherish. I love this special couple. Cecil I am so sorry you had to leave us, but God is letting you take care of the streets of gold. You will truly be missed. I love you

June Ellis - February 18, 2021 at 11:04 PM



“ Cecil was a childhood playmate . We played cowboy and Indians back then . My cousin Sandra James and I loved all the Willis family . Our prayers are with you doing this difficult time .

Bev Sweeney - February 18, 2021 at 11:36 PM



“ I am still I shock that a wonderful person was taken from us all too soon. Cecil was my uncle and we shared the love of reading and going to movies. He was my book and movie reviewer and always spot on! He introduced me to so many authors that I continue to read today. I will miss his funny sense of humor and, of course, his laugh! So infectious. All of the children in our family loved him so because he always played games with them and a few card tricks:). My heart is heavy. He will be sorely missed. My heart goes out to Carolyne during this painful time. Love you

Tracey Howard - February 19, 2021 at 11:03 AM



“ There is not a memory of my Uncle Cecil that I have that doesn't include a laugh or a smile. That was just him. When I think of him my heart smiles. I am so thankful the Lord gives us memories. These memories of my Uncle Cecil I will cherish.

Cathy Lewis - February 19, 2021 at 11:05 AM



“ Cecil was truly a wonderful guy. He was always ready for a good laugh and a conversation with anyone. There is a long list of

good things that could be said about Cecil but if I had to pick just one it would be the Christian characteristic of edification. Cecil was always uplifting and always had good and kind things to say about everyone. He would lift you up with his smile, his words, or just being a good listener. He was an example for the rest of us. May God Bless Carolyne and everyone in his family.

Nolan & Kathy Rippy - February 19, 2021 at 01:13 PM



“ Phillip and I are so sad with the passing of his brother, Cecil. To know Cecil was to love him. He was the kindest and most caring person you could know. He and Carolyne were a couple with a servant's heart. Always ready to help whether it was family, friends, or strangers. He made us laugh, showed us love, brought us joy. Our memories will forever be blessed by him. Cecil was one in a million and we loved him so much. Our hearts are heavy but so happy to know that he is at home with the Lord.

Beverly Willis - February 19, 2021 at 02:22 PM



“ Our neighborhood has lost our greatest friend. I know I have lost my best yard buddy. Our talks in the summer time about our flowers, I will miss them. Summer will never be the same. There is such a hole in my heart.

Nancy Campbell

nancy campbell - February 21, 2021 at 02:12 PM