



## William "Bill" Dixon

January 8, 1931 - December 27, 2019

William "Bill" Dixon, 88, of Tamms, formerly of Murphysboro died at 3:49 pm on Friday, December 27, 2019 at home.

He was born on January 8, 1931 in Carbondale, Illinois the son of Claude Marron and Myrtle Ruth (Claxton) Dixon. He married Patricia Caplinger on March 14, 1954 and they have shared 65 wonderful years of marriage together.

Bill started his career in the United States Air Force where he worked as an electrician on B25 bomber aircraft during the Korean War era. Upon honorable discharge from the military he went on to become a painter for the local 32 painters union, a field in which he worked for more than 50 years.

He loved hunting, fishing, building balsa wood model airplanes, gardening and being with family, especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Bill was a member of the American Legion Post 127 in Murphysboro and the Tamms United Methodist Church. He was baptized in the First Christian Church in Murphysboro.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Dixon of Tamms; 5 children, Doug Dixon of Somerville, AL, Scott (Donna) Dixon of Waltonville, IL, Craig (Debra) Dixon of

Cobden, IL, Danny (Gala) Dixon of Galatia, IL and Becky (Michael) Etherton of Murphysboro, IL; 9 grandchildren, Amber C. Dixon, Meredith A. Dixon, Jeremy Dixon, Jason Dixon, Casey Dixon, Lance Dixon, Alexis Johnson, Emily Dixon and Autumn Grant; 8 great grandchildren, Jackson, Timothy, Courtney, John, Caitlyn, Drake, Harrison and Summer Rose; 1 great great grandson, Rhett and 1 great great grandchild on the way; many nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; son, Steven Dixon; brother, Charles Dixon and sister, Hazel Lipe.

Visitation will be held from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm on Monday, December 30, 2019 at Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home between Carbondale and Murphysboro on Old Route 13.

Funeral services for William "Bill" Dixon will be at 1:00 pm on Monday, December 30, 2019 at the funeral home with Pastor Brent Gordon officiating. Entombment will follow in Pleasant Grove Memorial Park Mausoleum with full military honors.

Memorial contributions may be made to Siteman Cancer Center or American Diabetes Association and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Crain Funeral Home in Tamms is in charge of the arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Pleasant Grove Memorial Park

31 Memorial Dr.  
Murphysboro, IL 62966  
(618) 687-1145  
crain@crainsonline.com

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 30. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home - Old 13  
31 Memorial Dr.  
Murphysboro, IL 62966  
(618) 687-2500  
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## Funeral Service

DEC 30. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" Dixon*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Uncle Bill's passing. My thoughts are with Aunt Patti and all of the cousins who lost their patriarch.*

*Pamela Austin*

**Pamela Austin** - January 02, 2020 at 08:22 AM



“ *The big dig. We spent a week the blistering summer heat digging up the side of the 20th street house. In that week we learned so much about each other and I learned his respect as a man. I would give anything to have that week back.*

**Jason Dixon** - December 30, 2019 at 09:55 PM



*for the Dixon family you have my deepest sympathy, so very sorry.  
Rhonda Verbal Shands*

**Rhonda Verbal--Shands** - January 02, 2020 at 01:18 AM

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“ *Pat and Family,  
So sorry to hear about Bill. You guys were wonderful neighbors of ours for many years. Bill was a hard working man who loved his family. I can still see Bill and Rick Gildehaus coming in from a fishing trip and arguing over who had the biggest catch. He will certainly be missed. Deepest condolences to all of you.  
Steve and Sue Williams*

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**Steve Williams** - December 30, 2019 at 10:28 AM

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“ *Get your own dam rock! Inside joke between dad Craig and me love you pop I will miss you*

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**Danny Dixon** - December 28, 2019 at 07:25 PM