



William Lee Reeves

November 17, 1953 - February 14, 2025

IN MEMORY OF:

William Lee Reeves

Serving Location:

CRAIN PLEASANT GROVE-MURDALE FUNERAL HOME

31 Memorial Drive, Murphysboro, Illinois

William Lee Reeves, born November 17, 1953, passed February 14, 2025.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, Ira & Adell Reeves, older brother, Michael, sister-in-law, Marj Reeves, brother-in-law, Alex Paull, nieces, Blake Reeves and Esther Reeves and nephew, Levi Nelson.

Survivors include fiancé, Sharon Icenogle, siblings, Sue (David) Fischer, Jim (Susan) Reeves, Randall Reeves, Kevin Reeves, Ronald (Linda Raters) Reeves, Janice Paull, and Steven (Paula) Reeves, nephews, Daniel Fischer, Nick Fischer, Michael (Lucinda) Reeves, Adam (Ara) Paull, Cameron Schwenk, and nieces, Kimberly (Sam) Penn, Julie (Lee) Nelson, Rebekah (Henry) Hampton, Sarah (Ian McCall) Paull, Brooke (Alex) White, Rachael

Paull, great nieces and nephews and cousins.

Born in Murphysboro, Bill was raised in Gorham and Murphysboro, IL. He grew up hunting, fishing and hiking all over Southern Illinois with his siblings and friends. He especially enjoyed fishing for crappie and bluegill from Lake Murphysboro and Bob Hanson's farm pond and hunting waterfowl with Tom Clark.

Bill was a member of First Christian Church in Murphysboro where he studied with the Men's Group and 55 & Alive, and was also a long time Lions Club member in Cobden and Murphysboro. He also spent several summers traveling with the Black Knights Drum and Bugle Corp, and enjoyed going to Drum Corp shows, watching the Cardinals, Salukis and Murphy Red Devils.

Bill graduated from Murphysboro High School, John A. Logan College and earned his teaching degree from SIU Carbondale. He taught Jr. High woodshop and math at North County Jr. High School in Bonne Terre Mo., Chester Jr. High, and Anna Jr. High, where he also coached basketball, scholar bowl, and organized a Math-a-Thon for St. Jude Children's Hospital. Bill retired from Anna Jr. High in 2012.

The Family would like to thank all Bill's caregivers who were so kind to him over the last few years, especially Kathy Browder.

Funeral Services will be held on Saturday, February 22, 2025 at Crain Pleasant Grove –Murdale Funeral Home. Visitation will be held from 12:00 PM until 2:00 PM with interment to follow the funeral service at Pleasant Grove Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital and/or Hospice of Southern Illinois.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Grove Memorial Park

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

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 22. 12:00 PM - 2:00 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

FEB 22. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

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Interment

FEB **22**. 2:45 PM - 3:15 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

PM

“ I have known Bill since grade school days. Good friends are hard to find and hard to keep but Bill was always my friend.
Pat McCann

Pat McCann - February 22, 2025 at 02:17 PM

JH

“ Mr. Reeves, you were an amazing math teacher. I attribute my love of mathematics and my career to the skills you instilled me through 7th and 8th grade. You were fun and challenged your students to grow. I aim to do the same in my classroom. Thank you.

Jenna Herbst - February 17, 2025 at 08:43 PM

KB

“ My heart aches for Sharon and the family. Sending prayers for you all . Bill has been a wonderful person to care for . I appreciate it so much to have known him , and be able to care and cook the foods he loved to eat. He was a very sweet and kind man . He always liked cracking jokes ever so often. He sure will be missed . Rest In Peace Bill

Kathy Browder - February 17, 2025 at 01:32 PM

SN

“ Bill was a classmate, very nice guy.
My thoughts and prayers to Sharon and family. Rest in Peace Bill..

Suzie Naegele - February 17, 2025 at 12:44 PM

JW

“ *Bill was a wonderful, very kind man. My condolences to Sharon and his family. Rest in peace, Bill.* ”

jane williams - February 17, 2025 at 08:11 AM

JR

“ *May you rest peace, Mr. Reeves! Thank you for your kindness, patience, wisdom, and being the absolute best math teacher God created this side of the Mississippi! Shop class was an absolute blast as well. When we would run into you through the years it was always the same smile and kind heart wanting to know the update of our lives! Seeing you along the parade route as I was walking by as a Band Mom was a treasure! Forever grateful for you!* ”



Jennifer Ray-Lyerla - February 17, 2025 at 07:36 AM

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“ *Bill was a great coworker! His quiet demeanor was admirable and his love for education was infectious! May he rest in peace!* ”

LORI *RICH - February 17, 2025 at 07:18 AM