



Billy Guavain Holmes

June 20, 1926 - October 6, 2015

PLEASE ASSEMBLE IN LANE "C" AT DALLAS FORT WORTH NATIONAL CEMETERY

AT 1:45 PM MONDAY (10/19/15) FOR PROCESSION INTO CEMETERY AT 2:00 PM

IN LIEU OF FLOWERS, BILL REQUESTED MEMORIALS BE MADE TO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN MOUNT VERNON OR FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN LANCASTER.

Billy Gauvain Holmes was born June 20, 1926 in Franklin County near Winnfield, Texas to Wilbur and Amie Holmes. He passed from this life on October 7, 2015.

Bill attended schools in Mt. Vernon, TX and upon graduation enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was a combat marine serving in the South Pacific and an Iowa Jima survivor. He was selected to serve as an honor guard at the United Nations in New York.

After service in the Marines, Bill enrolled in Rice University earning a Master's Degree in Physical Science. He was employed by Mobile Oil, where he developed several patents for the company. He retired after 40 very happy years. He and his wife Barbara were world travelers.

He was preceded in death by parents; wife Barbara (Andrews) Holmes; son Larry Holmes; grandson Eric Board; brothers Leonard and Wesley Holmes.

Bill is survived by wife Lois (Wines) Holmes; children Laura Smiley & husband Steve, Andrew Holmes & wife Sharon, Debra Holmes; 8 grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren; step-children Tim & Deann Hitt, Holly & Jay Niner; 4 step-grandchildren; brother Dr. Jerry Holmes & wife Susie; brother-in-law Don Andrews & wife Peggy; sister-in-law Grace Holmes; several nieces & nephews.

Bill was much loved by his family and many friends.

Cemetery Details

Dallas Fort Worth National Cemetery

2000 Mountain Creek Parkway
Dallas, TX

Previous Events

Graveside Service

OCT **19**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TB

“ *Mother and I both wanted to send our love and condolences to all of you.*

Tam Bredemeyer - October 10, 2015 at 08:29 PM

KF

“ *I am so sorry for your loss! Bill was an extraordinary kind of guy! He was a great friend of Gene & I ! He was the same every time we saw him ! He always had a smile on his ! He will be missed , but I know he is rejoicing in Heaven! I love you Lois! Prayers for you always!*

kay Frazier - October 09, 2015 at 12:02 PM



“ *To all of the Filgo girls he will always be our "Ski Cat"! We had so many happy and memorable times with Bill and his family. He helped in making our childhood a happy one.*
Barbara Filgo Rushing

Barbara Filgo Rushing - October 09, 2015 at 10:36 AM

RW

“ *I can't count all the times Mr. Holmes would drop by and pick me up for school or practice. He was great person and supporter for me as I was growing up.*

Russell Woodall - October 08, 2015 at 10:49 PM

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“ Have known Bill for most of my life. Then he became my step-father. What a guy. So many great qualites and character that you find it hard to believe they could be found in one man. Has had an impact on my life and I thank God for that opportunity. Hope to see you again, just not real soon. You will be missed.

Tim Hitt - October 08, 2015 at 09:21 PM

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“ Billy, I admired you greatly and appreciated you for many reasons - the sacrifices you made for our country mean so much to me and the kindness you showed me, my Mother, and my children will always stay in my heart. What I will miss most though....is your humor and how you made me laugh every day! You were a great man and what an honor it was for me to know and love you.
Holly Gay

Holly Hitt Niner - October 08, 2015 at 09:18 PM

 Teresa
Holmes-
Walker

“ He was a wonderful man. God and his family were very important to him, as well as his country, which he unselfishly served in order for us to enjoy the freedom we have today. Proud to have known him. Love you, Bill. Thank you for being a wonderful role model for Brenda and Cathy.

Teresa Holmes-Walker - October 08, 2015 at 05:27 PM

PP

“ Love & prayers to the entire extended Loving families blessed by their father & step father! Mr Holmes was a wonderful & joyful man. We were all blessed to know. I am sorry for your loss but know he is in Heaven & you all will meet again.ay God bless you all at this difficult time.



Pat Perigo - October 08, 2015 at 03:57 PM

Cheryl Renteria

“ Cheryl Renteria lit a candle in memory of Billy Guavain Holmes



Cheryl Renteria - October 08, 2015 at 03:37 PM

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“ Selinda lit a candle in memory of Billy Guavain Holmes



Selinda - October 08, 2015 at 11:05 AM