



William Frank (Bill) Turnage

January 4, 1949 - June 11, 2016

William Frank (Bill) Turnage was born January 4, 1949 in Dallas, Texas to Frank Fisher and Louise (Hawkins) Turnage. He passed from this life on June 11, 2016.

Bill served in the US Navy. He was Chief of the Police Department in Garrett and retired from the Dallas Police Department in 2004.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by wife Katie (Wansley) Turnage and brother Paul Anthony Turnage.

Cemetery Details

Bristol Cemetery

Union Hill Road
Ennis, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Bill was my best friend growing up and best man at my wedding. I am sorry I was not aware of his passing. I will miss him.*

Steve Simoneau

Steve Simoneau - June 27, 2017 at 07:01 PM



“ *Julie Looper lit a candle in memory of William Frank (Bill) Turnage*



Julie Looper - June 14, 2016 at 10:20 PM



“ *My thoughts, prayers and condolences are with the family at this sad time. I was saddened to hear of Bills passing but God was ready for Bill to start his next patrol. I was blessed to have worked for him at Southeast, and I never had a better LT!*

Vince Vittatone - June 14, 2016 at 08:45 PM

CL

“ Bill and Tony and I lived only one house away from each other in Dallas and our mothers worked together at Titcher's department store. We, along with our other neighborhood friends, spent summer evenings running barefoot through everyone's St. Augustine yards catching lightning bugs in jars. Bill's family and mine moved to Lancaster when we were barely teenagers and lived across the street from each other. I remember Bill selling me a set of pots and pans for my hope chest before I got married. Bill's father, Frank, was the first police officer I ever met...a gentle giant of a man. Bill followed in his footsteps and I'm proud to have known him. Rest in peace, my friend, and thank you for your service...both military and in LE. Condolences to Katie and Tony...

Carol Corridon Lewis

Carol Corridon Lewis - June 14, 2016 at 05:28 PM

RA

I too lived across the street from bill and tony in Lancaster on poinsettia st I moved to Palmer about 10 yrs ago and met up with bill in Garrett and had a long talk with him about the old days in Lancaster my heart is saddened from hearing of this loss

Robert Armstrong

robert armstrong - July 31, 2016 at 11:03 AM

TT

“ Tom Turnage purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of William Frank (Bill) Turnage.



Tom Turnage - June 13, 2016 at 07:38 PM

LF

“ *Larry W. Flatt. (Retired Lancaster Chief of Police). I have known Bill for many years. He was a great leader and friend to many people. He will be missed but is in a place where he will suffer no more. Thanks for your service in law enforcement and your service in the military. RIP Bill.*

Larry W Flatt. - June 13, 2016 at 05:30 PM

CE

“ *Carroll and Sharon Embry purchased the Spring Has Sprung Mixed Basket for the family of William Frank (Bill) Turnage.*



Carroll and Sharon Embry - June 13, 2016 at 03:42 PM

CR

“ *Chief Barry L. Roberts and the Officers of the Olney, TX. Police Department wish to extend our thoughts and prayers to the loved ones of Chief Turnage*

Chief Barry L. Roberts - June 13, 2016 at 02:57 PM

SE

“ *Bill and Katie were our best golf buddies. We had some good times together and we will truly miss Bill. He was a great person and I believe Heaven has gained a good one. Our deepest sympathy to Katie and Bill's brother, Tony.*

Carroll and Sharon Embry

Sharon Embry - June 13, 2016 at 02:47 PM



“ *A Full Life was purchased for the family of William Frank (Bill) Turnage.*



June 13, 2016 at 12:34 PM



“ *Bill and I were good friends in high school. I remember one 4th of July when we set off several bottle rockets. One landed on his parent's shake shingle roof and caught it on fire. His folks called the fire department and they came to put it out. Close call. Got our attention with fireworks. My condolences to Bill's family and friends.*

Steve Fredrickson - June 13, 2016 at 12:01 AM



“ *Bill was a very fine friend, person and Police Officer. I worked with him some 40 years ago at Dallas Police Dept. Central Patrol. My thoughts and prayers go out to all the Turnage Family. Jay Sims #3741, Retired DPD*

Jay Sims - June 12, 2016 at 10:30 PM



“ *Bill was one very good and professional Police Officer, Supervisor and Chief. He came from a very Good Police Family and Honored his family name by carrying on the Family Police Tradition. It was an Honor and a privilege to have known and worked with both Bill and his father at the Dallas Police Department. RIP Brother in Blue. John R. Allen, Retired DPD, and Retired Chief, Alvarado PD*



John R. Allen - June 12, 2016 at 05:24 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Frank (Bill) Turnage.



June 12, 2016 at 04:34 PM



“ Bill and I have been friends for a long time, but our last assignment was in DPD Narcotics. He was a good man. He was fun to work with and was a true professional. I shall miss him.

Tom Wafer - June 12, 2016 at 03:24 PM



“ He was a good friend and will be missed. My prayers and thoughts to his family and friends.

Jayne E Blair - June 12, 2016 at 01:21 PM



“ George and Nancy Parker purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of William Frank (Bill) Turnage.



George and Nancy Parker - June 12, 2016 at 09:50 AM

DL

“ Bill and I worked together only a few years, but I loved him dearly. He became a great friend and more than that I looked up to him as a father figure. Some of the stories we shared were some of the greatest times I had. I know he will be one of Gods favorites and will enjoy El Jefe as much as I did, will and never forget

Don (Don-Don) Lewis - June 11, 2016 at 10:15 PM

SC

“ We are saddened to hear the passing of Bill. May God comfort you & Paul at this time
Scott & Martha Chambers

Scott & Martha Chambers - June 11, 2016 at 09:45 PM

PE

Had many an adventure with Bill when he started at Central Patrol. From Fair Park to the river bottoms and across the Oakland St. bridge with his brother as a guest rider, We worked ,laughed and built a bond. The world is a lesser place without you, brother

Pete Eldridge - June 13, 2016 at 04:07 PM

DH

Bill was my first phase trainer working in the 120's. Later in my career I had the honor of working with him when he was the Deputy Chief at NE. He was a great police officer who cared deeply about DPD and the citizens of Dallas. I will miss you Bill...May GOD bless you and keep you..

Don Ham - June 14, 2016 at 08:54 AM