

GUESTBOOK
William "Bill" Lilburn Newnum, Jr.
September 7, 1944 - March 24, 2014

Tom Shields

Posted April 3 at 7:51 PM CST

Rick, I am so sorry to hear about your fathers passing . My prays are with you and your family.. Tom and Judy shields

Brittany Rubin

Posted March 29 at 11:51 AM CST

Lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Lilburn Newnum, Jr.

Sam & Tammy Myott

Posted March 29 at 11:51 AM CST

Lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Lilburn Newnum, Jr. candle

Don and Ann Newnum

Posted March 28 at 10:35 AM CST

We are so sorry for your loss. Bill was a wonderful cousin and will be missed by all. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Amber W

Posted March 28 at 6:46 AM CST

I am sorry for your loss.. I don't know you personally but I want to express my sincere condolences.. The bible provides a solid hope for the future that die in Gods memory. John 5:28,29 tells us that the dead will hear the voice of Jesus & come out & they will return to a world where death, sickness, sorrow, and pain will be no more. These promises we can trust because the God of all comfort made these promises & he cannot lie. I hope you & your family will find this scriptures comforting.

Brittany Rubin

Posted March 28 at 12:16 AM CST

I am blessed to have met Bill through Angie and her family when they took me camping with them a couple summers ago. It was the BEST time! Bill and I stayed in touch after that and couldn't wait to go camping again. It was always a treat for me to get to see him when he came to visit Angie, Chad, and the kiddos. He was the sweetest and loving guy whom was very proud of his Grandkids and kids. It didn't take me long to see that he had a big heart!! I am truly thankful and blessed to have been able to spend Christmas Eve 2012 and Easter 2013 with Bill, the Van Buskirk's and my mom! These memories and special times I will always keep close to my heart. The Van Buskirk's and Newnum's are amazing people with beautiful souls and have a lot of Bill in them such as their smiles, humor, kindness, and hearts of gold. Bill thought of me as family and I think the same for him as well. He touched many, many lives including mine the past couple years. To show our support, my mom and I decided to donate \$100 to the American Liver Foundation in memory of Bill Newnum. We know it's ability to take the ones we love and how cruel the progression of the disease can be and I wished more than anything Angie's Dad would be able to overcome it. Although my heart is heavy, it is content to know he is at peace and comfortable now. I hope my Dad and Bill have become good friends in heaven. :). My thoughts and prayers have been with Angie and all the family and will continue to be. The road of grief is long and bumpy but I know you will get through and keep Your Dad's memory alive in your heart through love, laughter, and beautiful memories. I really wish more than anything I could be there to give hugs and support. I know the services will be just beautiful. Sending lots of love and prayers to all of you. You're a great man Bill and I see that through your kids and Grandkids . You will be greatly missed! XOXOXO

Paul and Cindy Newnum

Posted March 26 at 11:52 PM CST

Paul and I were saddened to hear of Bill's passing. Paul said he remembers what a great guy Bill was. He was always fun to be around and had a great sense of humor. Our love and prayers are with you all. With our love and deepest sympathy,

Paul and Cindy Newnum

Mike and Hunter Wilkins

Posted March 26 at 10:25 PM CST

rick...we send our condolences to you for the loss your father.. but he leaves behind a man just himself. and that is you rick.. kind and caring person that you are.. and a good police officer.. let us know if we can help you in anyway..... you friends always....

mike and hunter wilkins

Cheryl Maggio

Posted March 26 at 10:26 AM CST

The Maggios (nee Van Buskirk) in Illinois send our condolences to everyone in the Newnam and Van Buskirk families for the loss of Bill. We know how comforting it is to be able to think of all of the memories he has shared with you as well as the outpouring of love and commitment that was so evident in all the stories shared. Although we didn't get to see much of him; we know what a tremendous father; father-in-law; grandfather; spouse and friend he was for everyone. Please know that you are all in our thoughts even though we can't be with you at this difficult time. Cheryl and David Maggio; Amanda and Ryan; Mark and Allix and Matt and Emily

Robin Plumb

Posted March 26 at 8:06 AM CST

It is with the heaviest hearts that we send our love and sympathy to all of you. What an incredible blessing to have been joined with the Newnum family through the love shared by Chad and Angie -- and now bonded forever through Ashley and Cade. Bill was so kind and we could see him blossom when surrounded by family, his eyes and smile showed pure and unconditional love. We will never forget our shared white water raft trip together, the impromptu spaghetti dinner for 35, the touching memory of nurturing Angie's "ragtag" softball team to championship, but mostly the precious father/daughter moment of "Butterfly Kisses" on July 18, 1998. Our love and prayers are with all of you at this most difficult time. Gary and Robin Plumb Uncle Gary and Auntie Robin

Karen Newnum Blackburn

Posted March 26 at 8:51 AM CST

You and Gary are a wonderful blessing to Chad and Angie, and your tribute to her daddy is lovely, thank-you Robin.

Amber W

Posted March 26 at 7:51 AM CST

Please accept our families sincerest condolences in the loss of your loved one Psalms 147:3 says " The Heals the brokenhearted ones & he binds up their wounds ." We need comfort in many areas of life one of the greatest causes of grief is the loss of the loved one in death, especially a beloved marriage mate or a child.. In times of distress we may need comfort that soothes our heart, mind, emotions, and both our physical and spiritual health ... Gods word acknowledges that our heart can be broken & crushed. Psalms 51:17. Even in serve situations God can bring relief to a stricken heart if we pray to him in full faith.

Karen Newnum Blackburn

Posted March 25 at 7:03 PM CST

Memories...sweet memories! Oh how you loved that OU football, if they weren't doing so well, you might have to walk out the front door for a minute or two...take a deep breath and cool off. I knew I better just keep quiet for awhile. It amazed me how you could make every call correctly, right before the announcer did. How you loved your corn on the cob..and chicken fried steak.. You choose that for your first meal after you had all your wisdom teeth pulled, we ate at my parents house...mother and I tried to warn you, but you laughed and kept eating that corn...a decision you regretted a little bit, but said it was worth it. How you allowed me to give you "lectures" late at night in bed, from an avid nursing student, that was excited to tell you everything she learned that day. I would even wake you up, and ask you if you heard me....you never got mad at me for that. You were my "guinea pig" more than once! How you loved airplanes and flying...I remember when the 747 came out we took a little one day trip from Phoenix to LA just to ride on it...came back the same day. You smiled the entire trip. Speaking of trips....Australia, Hawaii, Spain, and oh yes...our favorite ...Puerto Rico, 9 months later our little girl came along! You loved our children so very much, each of them has your kindness, your patience, your honesty and work ethic, how proud you were of them. Coaching little league, on Angie's team, the so called "left-overs" you brought them to a championship season....the girls loved you so much. You showed them how to win, and loose with dignity. Our marriage was cause for some teasing too, how I became a "Newnum" and my own brother's wife was a "Newnum" , I always joked that was why all of our children...(my brother's and ours together) were idiots. Of course with Annapolis, Embry - Riddle, and various law enforcements graduations, and several

other accomplishments, our combined children were anything BUT idiots. Angels have a new member in their choir, your singing voice sent chills down my spine. I would quit singing, standing next to you, just to hear you better. Occasionally, you and your brothers with your sister playing the piano would all sing an old loved hymn in church, I even tried it with you, but that only happened once...for obvious reasons. We made sure our children were brought up with church as a part of their life. You, in fact, are the person, who in just one simple sentence, showed me the light of God's love. After that moment, I never again, needed answers to how this or that could happen, I trusted the Bible, and knew it didn't matter anymore. By Faith I was saved, and through you, God had come into my life. I know I will be reunited with you and all the others who have gone before us, and that gives me peace. The gifts you gave to all who knew you, were not necessarily tangible, they were more valuable than that. You taught your children AND me so much by example, and I will always be grateful for that. You were haunted with illness almost your entire life, but seldom complained...you were brave through pain, and thought of how every one else was doing. You had broad shoulders for those who needed to vent" for whatever reason, even while you had your own problems to deal with. Unselfish to the end. But we all know this is only the end to your human life. It is the beginning of eternal life in Heaven, so I will end this with just "Thanks for the memories! we'll see you later! Love, Karen" (4 photos)
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Ruth Phares

Posted March 25 at 6:56 PM CST

I never got to meet Bill when he lived in Louisville, Ky. and I was back there to visit my birthplace/relatives. Karen and I went to HS together in Phoenix, Az. and were planning on getting together while I was in Louisville but she was out of state as her daughter had been in an accident. Bill and I talked briefly and he was very gracious over the phone to me. Though there was a parting of ways between Bill and Karen....she still shared with him the 'love' that only those who have had the pain of seperation happen in their marriage regardless of the circumstances. The love of Christ was in Bill's heart and the knowledge that a place was prepared for him when it came time for him to leave behind his loved ones. May each of the family rest in the peace of knowing that he is now without pain and that Christ has Bill in the plam of His hand as he tells him, "Well done my good and faithful servant." Condolences to Bill's family from bill & ruth phares; coolidge,az. candle

Karen Newnum Blackburn

Posted March 25 at 7:14 PM CST

Thank you, Ruth for your kind words and your friendship.

Jim Barber

Posted March 25 at 6:30 PM CST

There are so many memories of my childhood that involved billy, so many wonderful adventures I was lucky enough to be a part of, he was like a second father to me. my heart aches for the loss, I will miss him dearly. my love and prayers are his family and friends but we can gain strength from the knowledge that he is home now with the lord

Karen Newnum Blackburn

Posted March 25 at 7:17 PM CST

Thank you "little" brother, I am at complete peace, knowing this is true.

Joe Barker

Posted March 25 at 4:55 PM CST

My sympathy to the entire Newnum family - I worked with Bill at Frontier and was City Manager in Billings, MT when Bill was in BOI. Always had a world of respect for Bill, great sense of humor, very intelligent and was a fine man - he will be missed. Joe Barker

Karen Newnum Blackburn

Posted March 25 at 7:18 PM CST

I remember you Joe, he spoke of you often. Thank-you

Jake Lamkins

Posted March 25 at 4:33 PM CST

All Bill's many friends at the old Frontier Airlines are saddened to hear of his passing. Our condolences to his family.