



William “Bill” Foley

March 21, 1942 - February 21, 2021

William (Bill) Foley, 78, of Cinnaminson, NJ passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family on February 21st.

He is survived by his devoted wife Barbara, his loving daughters Maureen Gottlieb (Howard), DeAnna Fabricius-Holland, Lauren Foley (Dennis), Taryn Gillison (Ed), and stepchildren Rebecca Delorey, and Ian Delorey (Kristina) and his grandchildren, all of which he adored, Sean (Laura), Kelsey, Julianna, Robert, Austin, Allie, Alex, Rebecca, Liam, Jeremy, Elias, Bruce and Maggie, his cherished sister Catherine Mulholland (Kenneth), nephew Stephen Mulholland (Tamara), cousin Eddie Taylor (Mary) and many extended family members. We will all miss his optimism, spirit and love for life, family and a good time.

Bill was born in Philadelphia, PA in Port Richmond and remained close with his childhood friends until his death. After graduating from North Catholic High School, he went on to attend LaSalle University. After graduation, Bill enjoyed a successful career as a sales representative at W.W. Grainger until his retirement in 2004.

Bill was an active officer and member of the Maple Shade 25 Club, where he continued to enjoy attending holiday events with his grandchildren, hanging out with the guys, and shooting pool. Bill's friends were friends for life.

Bill was surrounded by women, notably his daughters, his entire life, up until his last days. Nothing brought him more joy than to be surrounded by his wife, Barb, his daughters, and the whole raucous family. His best moments were spent with his entire family around him. He loved traveling, taking family cruises as well as the simple things like sitting on the front porch, while talking to the neighbors. He loved attending the Thanksgiving and Mummers parades with his family, regardless of the weather. He was an avid Philadelphia Eagles and Phillies fan.

As stubborn as the day is long, Bill overcame a multitude of medical challenges

throughout his life. His recoveries often defied doctor's prognoses, common sense, and his own expectations.

Bill taught his family the value of a dollar, often asking when his daughters left a light on in the house, "what, do you have stock in the electric company". He was exceedingly proud of the accomplishments of each of his children and grandchildren and thrived on their successes. His wish since their childhood was for their happiness.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: American Heart Association (www.heart.org) or Palmyra-Cinnaminson-Riverton EMS, 125 W Broad Street, Palmyra, NJ 08065. To share your fondest memories and condolences, please visit www.Givnish.com.

Comments



“ I know I speak for many when I say I am profoundly sad at the loss of Bill Foley. The man has been a big part of my life for the last 25 years. He was a cousin, Uncle, and a Father-like mentor. He always assured me that we were family and gave me insight on relatives who passed before. I knew I was family every time I ever saw him, regardless of the locale, he let me know. I'm going to miss talking to him almost every day. It won't be the same not being able to see that black Accord in the parking lot. We'll all miss talking sports with him, although he ruined trivia because he would whip that phone out and call upon Siri. I'm going to miss him bragging about his daughters and his Grandchildren. I'm going to miss how excited he would get when my kids made achievements. Bill was a tremendous Husband, Father, Grandfather and provider. I always admired that.

When I lost my father I pondered what hurt me more, missing the man because of what he meant to me or for what I meant to him. When I lost Bill I, I felt exactly the same way because I know I lost somebody who loved me and definitely had my back.

Bill was a fixture at the 25 Club for years. He served as an Officer for decades and facilitated the perpetuation of that club. He was also a renaissance man who served as a conduit of sorts between the generation gaps. Recently, there has been an influx of younger members and Bill befriended them as if they were from his own age group, and in turn, the new guys loved him. Also, if he didn't like you, you knew it. He was consistent.

I've often regretted moving to Maple Shade due to the property values skyrocketing in Philly since I moved. That eroded over the years when I see how great my kids turned out here but it occurred to me that I am really happy that I moved to Maple Shade because it afforded me the opportunity to have a much closer relationship with Bill than I would have had if I had moved elsewhere. I wouldn't trade that for anything. I'm going to miss his texts to me that said "Church"? Which was code for "come to the club I have a beer for you." Yes. I'll miss that. Love you Bill.

Ed J Taylor - March 04, 2021 at 11:59 AM



“ "Bill and I were friends from a very early age. We walked to T.I. at 6 or 7 and scared the living daylight out of my parents when Bill returned home alone saying that a couple had taken me to the hospital.(just a nosebleed!)

Bill was a gift to all who knew him.(How much trouble he and my brother Tom got into, we'll probably never know!) We'll miss him..the world is a lesser place without him!!!.



claudia nelson - February 26, 2021 at 10:13 AM



“ My husband,George,and I were never in his company when we didn't have a great time. He was a kind and loyal friend. I'm comforted to know that he was surrounded by his loving family as he completed his journey - Janet Paull

janet Paull - February 24, 2021 at 11:08 AM



“ My Thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. I enjoy many many memories of Mr. Foley spending time with his daughter Lauren supporting her children and their many school events. He never missed a township event. At the last concert of this past summer, he called Lauren and I to tell us he could hear the concert from his front steps. Such a special man. He will be truly missed.

Christine Turner - February 23, 2021 at 01:59 PM