



MSgt William D. Schlegel, USAF Retired

October 18, 1932 - September 13, 2021

MSgt William D. Schlegel, USAF Retired, age 88 of Highland, IL, died Monday, September 13, 2021, at Saint Louis University Hospital in Saint Louis, MO.

He was born on Tuesday, October 18, 1932, in Wilmington, DE, the son of George and Gladys (nee Cooper) Schlegel.

On Saturday, November 05, 1960, he married Darlene F. Schlegel nee Provow at Washington Park, IL, who passed away on Saturday, June 28, 2014.

He was a member of Highland Hope United Methodist Church; National Rifle Association; Lee Iten Post #439, American Legion, Highland, IL.

Bill was born in Wilmington DE and grew up in Dumfries, VA. After graduating high school, he entered the U.S. Air Force serving 20 years with duty in Thailand, Greenland and North Africa. He lived in Cahokia, IL from 1966 to 2003, when he moved to Highland, IL. He worked at Cerro Copper in Sauget, IL for 20 years until he retired at the age of 65. Bill volunteered at HIS KIDS helping at the office as well as the Christmas Parties. He also volunteered for several years at Highland Primary, working in the library and helping with bus duty. His favorite hobby was to take care of his lawn and also some of the

neighbors' as well (whether they wanted it or not). He enjoyed watching MMA and the History channel. Over the years, he enjoyed fishing and camping at Rend Lake, playing cards, barbecuing with neighbors and target practice at local shooting ranges. He loved vacationing and traveling with family and friends, especially going home to Virginia.

Survivors include:

Daughter - Lisa K. (Steven M.) Lange, Highland, IL

Son - William D. (Donna M.) Schlegel Jr., Belleville, IL

Daughter - Jill E. (Gary A.) Kharibian, Highland, IL

Son - Gregory S. Schlegel, Highland, IL

Grandchild - TSgt Jessica M. (Significant Other-Michael Brown) Powell, USAF, San Antonio, TX

Grandchild - Tyler S. (Significant Other-Chaunti Houston) Schlegel, Belleville, IL

Grandchild - Travis D. Schlegel, Belleville, IL

Grandchild - Christy L. (Charlie) Durbin, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Dana M. Kharibian, Columbia, IL

Grandchild - Eric A. Kharibian, Waterloo, IL

Grandchild - Gary A. (Kelsie) Kharibian Jr., Albers, IL

Grandchild - Logan M. Kharibian, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Gregory S. Schlegel Jr., Highland, IL

Great Grandchildren - 19

Surviving Brothers - 3

Surviving Sisters - 3.

He was preceded in death by:

Father - George I. Schlegel

Mother - Gladys E. Schlegel

Wife - Darlene F. Schlegel

Son - Steven Benton Schlegel

Grandchild - Justin Lange

Grandchild - Trenton W. Schlegel

Great Grandchild - Gary A. "Tripp" Kharibian III

Deceased Brothers - 2

Deceased Sister - 1.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Sunday, September 19, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM on Monday, September 20, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 9:00 AM on Monday, September 20, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Interment will be at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery in St. Louis, MO.

Memorial contributions may be made to Tripp's Tribe or HIS KIDS.

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of MSgt William D. Schlegel, USAF Retired.*



September 18, 2021 at 10:02 AM



“ *Love's Tapestry was purchased for the family of MSgt William D. Schlegel, USAF Retired.*



September 18, 2021 at 01:34 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of MSgt William D. Schlegel, USAF Retired.*



September 18, 2021 at 01:29 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of MSgt William D. Schlegel, USAF Retired.*



September 18, 2021 at 01:23 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of MSgt William D. Schlegel, USAF Retired.*



September 17, 2021 at 06:27 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of MSgt William D. Schlegel, USAF Retired.*



September 16, 2021 at 11:10 PM



“ *Tim Provow, Barb Hosier, Lora O'Connor purchased the Rainbow Reflections Basket for the family of MSgt William D. Schlegel, USAF Retired.*



Tim Provow, Barb Hosier, Lora O'Connor - September 16, 2021 at 07:10 PM



“ *My heartfelt sympathy goes to the family. Bill was a wonderful person beautiful friend wonderful memories. He cherished his family and his friends. I will miss him terribly. Love hugs thoughts going to the family*

Mary beth Broughton - September 16, 2021 at 04:07 PM

MB

“ *Mary Beth Broughton lit a candle in memory of MSgt William D. Schlegel, USAF Retired*



Mary beth Broughton - September 16, 2021 at 04:05 PM

BS

“ *Sympathy and prayer to the family.*

Beckie & Bob Schrumpf - September 15, 2021 at 11:57 PM

JY

“ *My sympathy to the family and loved ones. May God give you extra strength at this difficult time. Love, June Yann*

June Yann - September 15, 2021 at 10:32 PM