

William L. "Bill" Dillow, Sr.

October 7, 1937 - July 8, 2017

William L. "Bill" Dillow, Sr., age 79 of Highland, IL, died Saturday, July 08, 2017, at Saint Joseph's Hospital in Highland, IL.

He was born on Thursday, October 07, 1937, in Saint Louis, MO, the son of Herbert and Anna (nee Landert) Dillow.

On Saturday, December 12, 1970, he married Sharon J. Dillow nee Nobs at EvUCC-Highland, IL, by, Rev. Victor Schoen, who survives.

He was a member of United Church of Christ of Marine and Belleville Gear Jammers.

Born in St. Louis, MO; moved to Highland, IL, at age 7, the year after his father died. He graduated from Highland High School 1955. He served with the US Army Reserves. He briefly worked at Alton Box Board, Highland. He worked at Ray Duft Shell Station; Prott DX Station; Bill Storts Service Station and then Bill and his brother started their service station. Bill was part owner/operator of the Dillow Brother Texaco Service Station at Trenton Road (Rt 160), Highland. After many years of operation they closed the service station and Bill worked briefly at Highland Community Schools; then Smurfit Stone Container, Highland, for 15 years and retired in 2002. He enjoyed gardening; collecting Hug "Imperial" Clocks; car and truck drag racing. His #1

passion was cars, he still has all but one of the cars he owned. His 1954 Blue Ford convertible was the one he drove. He restored a 1926 model T Ford. He ran a 1932 Ford Coupe at Alton Drag Races. He was dedicated to the US Veterans.

Survivors include:

Wife - Sharon J. Dillow (nee Nobs), Highland, IL

Daughter - Tonia J. (significant other-Mike Krieger) Dillow, Marine, IL

Son - William A. (significant other-Angie Fickert) Dillow, Marine, IL

Brother - James M. (Susan) Dillow, Highland, IL

Sister In-law - Shirley J. (twin to Sharon) (Russell) Dietz, Highland, IL.

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Herbert Dillow - Died 4/14/1944

Mother - Anna S. Dillow (nee Landert) - Died 5/28/1982

Step Father - Charles R. Dillow - Died 6/14/1997.

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

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL.

Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, July 12, 2017, at United Church of Christ of Marine in Marine, IL., with Rev. Philip H. Kershner, Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Highland City Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to UCC of Marine; Veterans Memorial of Marine or Donor's Choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *The Dillow Family shared their family holiday dinners with me for 20 years or more. Bill and I had lot of great conversations. I am so very sorry. God bless and stay by your side...*

Barby Kreisle - July 11, 2017 at 04:24 PM

BK

“ *As a 7 year old boy, time passed incredibly slowly as my Dad, Jim and Bill talked and talked and talked some more about cars at the station. I can't imagine how many bottled sodas my Dad bought me from the machine there in order to get himself more time with his buddies. The interest in cars never took for me (I can't even change my own oil), but I'd give anything to hear one more car conversation between the three of them even though I would still have no idea what they are talking about.*

Sharon, you and Bill were incredibly nice to my family, especially my mom on those many New Year's Eves. Your family is wonderful, kind and it is an honor to have known Bill. What a good man.

I suspect he and my Dad are discussing the inner workings of a carburetor in Heaven right now - and that's just fine.

Much love and respect...
Brady Kesner

Brady Kesner - July 10, 2017 at 08:10 PM



Brady thank you for the kind words. I'm sure they are talking cars, I have many memories of your dad growing up as well.

Billy Dillow - July 13, 2017 at 08:13 PM

CL

“ Chelsey, Lee, Addison, and Liam purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of William L. "Bill" Dillow, Sr..



Chelsey, Lee, Addison, and Liam - July 10, 2017 at 05:36 PM

JL

“ My sincerest condolences to the Dillow family for their loss of Bill. My heartfelt thoughts are with all of you at this most difficult time.

Joan Landmann - July 10, 2017 at 02:30 PM



Thank you Joan!! Much appreciated.

Billy Dillow - July 13, 2017 at 08:15 PM



“ You were a very special person and influence in my life, as my Dad (Sparky) was in yours and I will always remember the great memories, good times, mentoring, and the fine example you were in my life and will miss you very much!!!! Tell Sparky and the Fam hello from me.... Rest in Peace Brother...

Cuz Wayne

Marion Wayne Marcus - July 10, 2017 at 01:47 PM



Thank you Wayne! I really enjoyed your stories of dad, Jim and your self. Keep in touch.

Billy Dillow - July 13, 2017 at 08:17 PM

KK

“ *Tonia, Billy and Mrs. Dillow...I am so sorry for your loss. You have my sympathy and prayers. May you find comfort and peace through the memories you share.*

Kim Kimberlin - July 10, 2017 at 09:39 AM

BD

Thank you so much Kim, we really appreciate it.

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:15 PM



Thank you Kim! We appreciate it.

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:36 PM

VB

“ *I bought many gallons of gas from Bill and his brother Jim at their gas station on the Trenton road. Bill was a genuine person. He cared about his family, friends, and customers. He was a man you could make a deal with a hand shake. I don't think there was anyone who did not like him. He will truly be missed in this community.*

Val Buchmiller - July 10, 2017 at 09:14 AM



Thank you Val, uncle Jim and I were just talking about you yesterday.

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:17 PM

WT

“ *We are so sorry sorry for your loss.
Bill and Sue Tuffli*

WILLIAM TUFFLI - July 10, 2017 at 05:59 AM



Thank you very much!

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:17 PM

DB

“ *I remember many goods things about Bill. Haven't been in contact with him for 36 years, but never forgot what a good guy he was.*
Dennis "Porky" Buchmiller

Dennis Buchmiller - July 10, 2017 at 04:46 AM



Thank you Dennis, we talked about you yesterday also.

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:19 PM

TD

“ *Bill Dillow was one of my shorthand students. What a nice person he always was. I believe he owned or operated a repair shop. Thanks, Bill, for the wonderful memories. I was Miss Theda Harris then. The class of '55 is one of my favorite memories. I'm 87 now and it's so sad to hear of his death, but I'm sure he's in a better place.* Theda Davidson



Theda Davidson - July 09, 2017 at 08:09 PM



Thank you so much, he touched many people. He will be missed for sure.

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:21 PM

LS

“ *Liz And Dale Heuiser, Sr. lit a candle in memory of William L. "Bill" Dillow, Sr.*



Liz and Dale Heuiser, Sr. - July 09, 2017 at 06:31 PM



Thank you guys, we really appreciate that.

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:21 PM

MS

“ *Terry and I are saddened to hear of Bill's passing. Please know our prayers are with you Sharon, Bill, Jr. and Tonya during this difficult time.*

Maurice Smith - July 09, 2017 at 05:12 PM



Thank you guys, mom and I were just talking about you guys this morning.

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:24 PM

RK

“ *Sharon and family - so very sorry for your loss. Robert and JoAn Kakac*

Robert and JoAn Kakac - July 09, 2017 at 05:07 PM



Thank you guys!! We appreciate it.

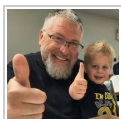
Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:26 PM

MB

“ *Mary Beth Broughtion lit a candle in memory of William L. "Bill" Dillow, Sr.*



Mary Beth Broughtion - July 09, 2017 at 04:39 PM



Thank you Mary Beth!

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:31 PM

KE

“ *As a classmate of Highland High school, 1955, I remember many times with Bill Dillow. He was such a genuine and honest man. We will miss him at our reunions.*



Karen Everett Emanuelson

Karen Everett Emanuelson - July 09, 2017 at 04:38 PM



Thank you Karen!! He will definitely be missed.

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:32 PM

PL

“ *Pam Lecerf lit a candle in memory of William L. "Bill" Dillow, Sr.*



Pam Lecerf - July 09, 2017 at 04:13 PM



Thank you Pam!

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:32 PM

PL

“ *Sharon and Family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you on this great loss in your life.
Bill was a super person who always smiled and always was helping
everyone. He knew no strangers. His kindness will always be
remembered by the family, friends, and community. God Bless
Pam & Aimee Lecerf*

Pam & Aimee Lecerf - July 09, 2017 at 04:12 PM



Thank you guys! He will definitely be missed.

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:34 PM

KD

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the Dillow family on the loss of
your loved one... May he rest in peace.*

Kathy Dunnagan - July 09, 2017 at 03:59 PM



Thank you Kathy!

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:35 PM

DR

“ *Dale & Rita Rinderer lit a candle in memory of
William L. "Bill" Dillow, Sr.*



Dale & Rita Rinderer - July 09, 2017 at 03:05 PM



Thank you guys!

Billy Dillow - July 10, 2017 at 02:35 PM