

William "Bill" Stevens
March 18, 1929 - December 27, 2019

William (Bill) Edward Stevens passed away December 27, 2019, at the age of 90. He was born March 18, 1929, near Buffalo, MO to William and Esther (Egleston) Stevens. The Family moved to Pilot Grove, MO, in 1934. Bill graduated from Pilot Grove High School. He owned Stevens Appliances in Booneville, MO, for several years. After selling his store, he was employed as a Field Technician for the Baldwin Piano & Organ Co. in Cincinnati, OH, and Fayetteville, AR, from 1959 to 1975. He then was owner of Stevens Custom Organ Co. in Fayetteville, AR, from 1975 until 2003, when he retired. Bill had a natural gift for electronics and was very respected in his field. It was his career and hobby. He was also known for designing and building sound systems.

His faith was in a nondenominational Christian home-based fellowship. He enjoyed reading his Bible and visiting with special friends and relatives about faith and hope in God.

He is survived by his wife Deanna L. (Amerine) Stevens to whom he married in Independence, KS on July 7, 1967, and she survives at the home. He is also survived by their two children: Sara L. Brown (Eric) of McCordsville, IN and Alan W. Stevens, of New Bloomfield, MO. Their five grandchildren: Evan Brown and Alyssa Brown of McCordsville, IN, and Ella Stevens, Luca Stevens, and Rawley Stevens of New Bloomfield, MO. One brother-in-law: Mark Amerine of Independence, KS, and several nieces and nephews, who were very dear to him, and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers Frank Stevens and Robert Stevens, and sisters Francis Stevens, Helen (Stevens) Wilhoit and Dorothy (Stevens) Wilhoit.

Visitation will be held on Monday, December 30, 2019, from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm at Erlewein Mortuary & Crematory, 1484 W. US Hwy. 40, Greenfield, IN 46140 with a funeral service at 7:00 pm. A private family burial will take place on a later date. In lieu of flowers: Suburban Hospice.

## **Events**

DEC 30	Visitation	05:00PM - 07:00PM
	Erlewein Mortuary & Crematory - Greenfield 1484 West US Highway 40, Greenfield, IN, US, 46140	
DEC 30	Funeral Service	<b>ce</b> 07:00PM

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## **Comments**



Miss you uncle Bill. "Grief never ends...but it changes. It's a passage, not a place to say. grief is not a sign of weakness, nor a lack of faith...it is the price of love."

Talia Tompkins - June 02, 2020 at 11:54 AM



Our love & thoughts are with each of you through these days & days ahead. Knowing that grief can overwhelm at times but wishing you the peace that comes with precious memories. I saw a note on grieving recently:

Grief, I've learned, is really just love. It's all the love you want to give, but cannot. All of that unspent love gathers in the corners of your eyes, the lump in your throat, and in the hollow part of your chest. Grief is just love with no place to go.

Thankful for Bill's example and a life well lived. We will cherish our memories of him. Nathan, Amber & Coy Lewis

Amber Lewis - December 30, 2019 at 10:28 AM



Thinking of all, knowing you have many, many reasons to feel comforted.

I treasure memories of the Stevens family through the years we've known you.

Lorraine Lerwick

Lorraine Lerwick - December 31, 2019 at 11:14 PM



Mr. Bill...one of the best. We appreciated every time we were with he and Deanna, whether it was for a meal, together in a meeting, or a casual visit anywhere. Bill always had bread for our souls, and for that we will always be grateful. We loved his wit and fun side...he was good for a laugh most anytime. We hated to see them leave Arkansas. Our hearts continue to be with you, Deanna, Alan, Sarah, and your families as you move forward.

Justin and Lori - December 29, 2019 at 10:43 PM



So sorry to hear of your loss I have known your family my whole life and it will be hard to imagine a world without Bill's warm and tender smile. Hugs from all of us. He will be greatly missed. Gigi, Vince, Cody, Clay, and Leah.

gigi musgrove - December 29, 2019 at 07:43 PM



What an encouragement Bill always was to us. I always looked forward to his testimony at Rogers convention and then was so happy to have a piece of Arkansas up here in Indiana. We loved his warm smile.

Ryan & Autumn White

Autumn White - December 29, 2019 at 04:08 PM



"Share a memory!" I don't even know where to start! First knowing Bill as "the sound system guy", then as "Sara and Alan's dad", as our friend, as our "second parents" in college who would feed us and play rummikub, as our "extra grandparent figure" for our kids, as our elder and our brother! The progression of love and respect we have for Bill has too many memories to count!

We are so very thankful that all of those memories are good ones because of the man of Faith that he was! We are thinking of his family because we know he will be greatly missed!! We love you all!!

Kent and Sherese Grigg

Sherese Grigg - December 28, 2019 at 10:45 PM



**66** Deanna, we are sorry for your loss! Bill was a Godly man!

Lee and Dica Chipperfield - December 28, 2019 at 10:27 PM



Thoughts go to the Steven's families. I don't know that I ever met Bill, but I have heard stories. So know he left pleasant impressions on many. With tender thoughts & care, LaNell Malray

LaNell - December 28, 2019 at 01:39 PM



Dear Stevens family - Memories of Bill & family go back to days my parents lived in Ark. He stood out as a pillar and true brother. Great regard for Bill. Remembering all in this loss - our loss, heaven's gain. Mary Ruble

Mary Ruble - December 28, 2019 at 11:09 AM



One of my first memories of Bill was when he was dating my sister Deanna. They were fooling around in the living room of my parents house and Bill was trying to kiss my sister. I was only about 6 years old at the time, so I wasn't to sure about this guy messing with my big Sis. If I remember it right, he didn't get that kiss in that day. But after being married to my sister for over 52 years, I have to say that he turned out alright. Sis, you couldn't have done better in picking a man for a husband! Kind and caring, a great Father, so steady in life and in service to God.

I'm sure he got a few kisses in after that day....

Rest in Peace Bill.

Brother in Law,

Mark Amerine

Mark Amerine - December 28, 2019 at 08:15 AM



**66** Dear Family of Bill,

Thoughts go your way tonight. I'm glad I met Bill, and appreciate his testimony as we have heard from others about him. Another has gone home!

Yours, Anita Forsberg

Anita Forsberg - December 28, 2019 at 12:06 AM



Our Dear Ones, our thoughts have been coming your way these past days knowing Bill was nearing the end of life's journey. We trust your hearts are comforted knowing he has gained the best now! Our love and Care Carl and Gloria Reiff Netawaka KS

Carl & Gloria Reiff - December 27, 2019 at 08:00 PM



Hello from Milton and Sara, we appreciated Bill's fellowship while sitting on the benches between mtgs at McCordsville conv. We will be in MN during the time of his funeral but will be thinking about you all.

Milton and Sara Allen - December 27, 2019 at 07:31 PM



66 Dear Deana, Eric and Sarah, Mr. Bill was a great example and friend to many. His strength and courage inspired me. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Leslie White leslie white - December 29, 2019 at 04:36 PM



We will all miss the wisdom and wit, the meek but yet determined manner of this gentle man. He had a dignity even in adversity that we so admired. Glad to have known and met with him these past few years.

Wm - December 30, 2019 at 12:36 PM