



William Dale "Bill" Blackwell

May 20, 1933 - March 25, 2016

William Dale "Bill" Blackwell was born on May 20th, 1933 in Gillham, AR to the late Emma Grace and Jasper Franklin Blackwell. He went to be with the Lord on March 25th, 2016.

He is preceded in death by his parents, son Douglas Alan Blackwell, grandchildren Kyle Landon Vocque and Wiley Nicole Russell and his most favorite dog Tibby.

He is survived by his wife Martha Blackwell, children: son Jeff Blackwell and wife Paula, daughter Karen Vocque and husband Lance, son Mark Russell and wife Lyn.

Grandchildren: Joseph Blackwell, Brandon Vocque, Conner Vocque, Erika Nelson, Morgan Russell, Elizabeth Russell. Great-grandchildren: Bailey Vocque, Aiden Sandoval, Easton Kramer, and siblings: brother Donald Blackwell and wife Mevelene, sister Eunice Verrett and husband Leroy, sister Wanda Branch.

He was a member of First Baptist Church. He served 23 years in the United States Air Force where he retired, then went on to retire from the U.S. post office. After retirement he went back to work to manage the Arlington-Majestic bath houses, worked as a truck driver, and worked for the Sentinel Record. He was an avid golfer and a supporter of Razorback sports. He enjoyed traveling and spending quality time with his family.

Memorial service will be at First Baptist Church in Hot Springs, AR on March 28th at 2pm.

Tribute Wall

JE

“ *Blackwell Family,*

Sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers sent from Jerry Ennis (the Arkla gas man)during this time of sorrow.

Jerry Ennis

Jerry Ennis - March 31, 2016 at 02:06 PM

CH

“ *Blackwell Family,*

Bill was a gem of a man. I really enjoyed getting to know him when he worked in circulation at the Sentinel-Record. I remember him saying he had to get home to see what was for lunch. He loved it when we saved him some goodies here to eat! I wish you each God's Peace during this most difficult time. I will hold each of you close in thought and prayer.



God's love,

Cindy Hester

cynthia hester - March 28, 2016 at 11:09 AM

WI

“ *Bill was a good friend and golf buddy--we will miss him.*

Wayne Irwin

Wayne Irwin - March 28, 2016 at 11:05 AM

MB

“ *Martha, Karen, Mark and your families , to Bill's family, I am so sorry for your loss, I know your heart aches, and your grief is so hard to bear, but try and remember all the good times you had with him, and know that my thoughts and prayers are with you all today.*

Melba Bryant - March 28, 2016 at 08:40 AM

NG

Bill was my boss for a few years at the Majestic, a lot of good memories. I was able to get some extra tickets he had to get to go to my first Razorback football game from him. Haven't seen him in quite a few years. I know he was proud of his family. Nell Garibay

Nell Garibay - March 28, 2016 at 01:28 PM

BB

Martha, I was so sorry to read about your loss. My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.

Beckie Odom Brooks - March 31, 2016 at 04:52 PM