



Bill (Billy Dale) Carter

December 5, 1927 - February 17, 2019

Bill (Billy Dale) Carter DECEMBER 5, 1927 - FEBRUARY 17, 2019 Bill (Billy Dale) Carter was born on December 5, 1927 in Taft, California. Bill grew up in Kern County with his mother, Zola, and his younger brother, Don. His father, Ira, died when Bill was only four years old. In 1946, Bill joined the Army. After basic training, he was stationed at Camp Crawford, located near Sapporo, Japan. Here he received training as a Paratrooper and served in the Reconnaissance Platoon, 185th Infantry Regiment, 11th Airborne Division. He was honorably discharged March 1948. After the Army, Bill returned to Bakersfield and began his career with the Bakersfield City School District in March 1948. On September 25, 1948, Bill married Roberta Lee Easter at the Full Gospel Tabernacle in Bakersfield. Bill and Roberta had two daughters: Diana (Conner) of Bakersfield and Kathleen (Friesen) of Bend. During his nearly 36-year career with the Bakersfield School District, Bill started as a Gardener, then worked as a Bus Driver, a "Grease Monkey," Bus Mechanic, and in 1953 was promoted to Transportation Foreman. In 1964 he was promoted to Coordinator of Maintenance, Operations and Transportation (M.O.T.). He retired June 1984. Bill was known for his fun, outgoing personality that endeared him to everybody he met. He treated people with love, kindness and respect. He looked you in the eye, and he remembered your name. If you were a man, he called you "partner." An active and faithful member of Pentecostal congregations throughout his life, Bill loved to share with his family and friends about the love and faithfulness of Jesus. "Wild Bill"

was always busy doing something. An avid golfer throughout his adult life, Bill enjoyed a round every Saturday with his buddies for over twenty years. His best score was a 69, which he shot twice. Along with golf, he enjoyed many other outdoor activities including waterskiing, hunting, family camping, backpacking, Honda trips into the Sierra Nevada mountains, and downhill snow skiing (which he continued to do until just six years ago). In 1985, Bill and Roberta moved to Bend, Oregon. In 1986, Bill became a part-time shuttle bus driver for Mount Bachelor Ski Resort and continued working there a couple days a week through the 2006 winter season. On January 19, 2009, the love of Bills life, Roberta, died after several years with Bill as her faithful caretaker. They were married over sixty years. Bill was also preceded in death by his older brother, Ira, Jr. (who died tragically at a young age) and his younger brother, Don. Bill is survived by his daughters and their husbands, Diana (Charlie) Conner and Kathleen (Dwayne) Friesen, five grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren and his adopted brother, Don Cook. Bill spent the last six years of his life at Touchmark where he was graciously and lovingly cared for by a host of providers, caregivers and nurses. A celebration of life will be held on February 24, 2019 at 2:30 pm at Christian Life Center, 21720 Hwy 20, Bend, OR 97701.

Funeral Home:

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home

105 NW Irving Ave

Bend, OR

US 97701

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“ *Please accept my sincere condolences on your loss of your loved one. May the peace of God that surpasses all understanding guard your hearts and your mental powers by means of Christ Jesus." (Phil. 4:7) May the hope of a resurrection right here on a restored earth bring you comfort. (John 5:28, 29) Do not be amazed at this, for the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice, and come out, those who did good things to a resurrection of life) Psalm 37:11, 29) But the meek will possess the earth, And they will find exquisite delight in the abundance of peace. The righteous will possess the earth, And they will live forever on it. My deepest sympathy*

Sonia - February 22, 2019 at 12:00 AM