



William Frederick Heater

June 12, 1929 - March 12, 2021

William Frederick Heater, age 91, of Lake City passed away peacefully at his Zephyrhills, Florida home with loved ones by his side on Friday, March 12, 2021.

Bill was born June 12, 1929 in Ypsilanti, Michigan to William Howard and Helen (Holly) Heater. During his formative years he was highly influenced by his cherished Grandma, Grace Holly. On October 18, 1952, he married his high school sweetheart and love of his life Betty Watling. They celebrated their 68th wedding anniversary in 2020.

After graduating from Ypsilanti High School Bill honorably served in the United States Army where he fought in the Korean War. When he returned home he worked at the Ypsilanti Post Office for several years and worked 30 years for Ford Motor Company, Rawsonville Plant, retiring as a supervisor in 1986.

He was a longtime member of Cadillac Christian Reformed Church and previous member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Lake City and Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Ypsilanti. In addition, he was prior president of the Ypsilanti Optimist Club, board member of the Crooked Lake Association and board member of Zephyrhills Wedgewood Manor Community.

He was an avid golfer belonging to several leagues at Missauakee Golf Club.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting and just being outdoors. His true love was spending time with his wife, children and grandchildren.

In addition to his wife, Betty, he is survived by their five children: Christine (Karl) Kuenning, Karen (Robert) Stone, Kathryn (Mark) DeNise, Karla Graessley and William Scott (Carol) Heater, 15 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and a sister Margaret (Donald) Julien.

Celebration of Life Services will be held at Cadillac Christian Reformed Church at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cadillac Christian Reformed Church, P.O. Box 187, Cadillac, MI 49601. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com.

Tribute Wall

CM

“ *I'm so sorry... I just found out today hugs and prayers to you all .*

Cindy Maier - January 05, 2022 at 10:53 AM

CJ

“ *So sorry for the loss of bill,Bill, was a great guy.always enjoyed spending time with you And bill.his memory will live on thru u and your wonderful family.love and prayers for all of you during this difficult time.our prayers are with all of you.*

Cindy johnson - July 15, 2021 at 05:34 PM

EC

“ *Bill was such a good man and so loved by Betty and his children. So glad their marriage was long and loving. Think of you often, Betty. Love and Prayers especially during this difficult time.*

Esther Belliveau Clark - July 10, 2021 at 09:55 AM

TB

“ *Karla and family,
It is so difficult to lose someone you love. My condolences and prayers to you, Karla, your mom and the rest of the family.
Hugs, Tania*

Tania Bos - July 07, 2021 at 07:26 AM

TB

“ *Betty, to have a partner for 68 years is amazing. For you and your family, I hope all the good memories from over the years will comfort you and ease your pain. Eventually they will bring more smiles than tears. Peace and Strength to you all.*

Todd Bos - July 07, 2021 at 06:15 AM