



## Emery "Bill" Williams Hutson

November 27, 1949 - September 26, 2023

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Bill Hutson, a cherished sixth-generation Floridian, passed away at the age of 73 on September 26th, 2023, in St. Augustine, Florida, surrounded by his family and loved ones.

Born on November 27th, 1949, in Alachua, Florida, to Lucian and Gloria Hutson, Bill was the eldest of five siblings.

Bill's personal journey was marked by his faith, deep connections, having a kind and generous heart for others, and enduring love for his family.

He married Sue Hutson in 1979, with whom he had two sons, William and Stephen. Later, he married again in 1992, sharing a profound bond with his second wife, Kim Chandler, until her untimely passing in 2008.

A graduate of the University of South Florida with a BA in English Literature, Bill had a rich career. Initially working as a corporate executive in technology, he found his true calling in teaching, influencing countless middle school students in Tampa. Recognized as Teacher of the Year in 2001 by the Hillsborough County School Board, he retired from teaching a few years after Kim passed, and spent time caring for both his parents, and his sister, before relocating to St. Augustine to live close to his son Stephen and his family.

Bill was a devout attendee of Dr. Jim Smith's Sunday school class at Idlewild Baptist Church in Tampa. He loved the community it provided and he looked forward to all of the holiday gatherings. His faith in Jesus was a source of strength and guidance.

Bill also had a keen interest in all things food that he shared with his sons. He enjoyed finding and going to unique restaurants all over the world with his family. He particularly enjoyed local family-run South Indian restaurants, appreciating their sense of community and service, growing close to many of them in the Tampa and Jacksonville area.

Bill enjoyed travels throughout his life, highlights include, work trips to Europe, Asia and Australia, spending many Summers and Winters in New England with friends and the Chandler family, driving to the Canadian Maritimes with Kim, visiting William and Jamie in Dubai, and a personal favorite, watching the seasons change in Lake Lure, NC with his sisters.

Survived By:

Bill's legacy lives on through his sons, William and Stephen; their wives, Jamie and Lindsey; his cherished grandchildren; and his adored Chihuahua, Tony Boy.

Preceded In Death By:

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lucian and Gloria Hutson; wife, Kim Chandler; sister, Kathleen; and brother, Stephen.

Donations:

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made online to the Families SCN2A Foundation ([www.scn2a.org](http://www.scn2a.org)), an organization dear to Bill's heart, that supports his namesake grandchild Emery, and her fight with genetic epilepsy

from birth.

Bill will be remembered for his faith in Jesus, his kindness, passion for education, and profound love for his family. He will be deeply missed by those who knew and loved him.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I don't know where to start... Just hearing this news today hit me like i was still sitting in his class room at this very moment.I was a student of his in Dowdell middle school almost 25 years ago. He taught myself and my other two siblings and would always ask about them. He was my favorite teacher of all time! Even after finishing middle school, I made sure to do pop up visits. He sure enjoyed them and catching up. The last time I popped up at the school he was no longer there and I was bummed about it. I just hope he knew he made such a impact on many of his students. We still talk about him till this very day and he lives on. Just wish I could have said a few more words and see you later Mr. Hudson! He remains alive in our hearts and memories. Sending my love to the family!

Ps . I loved the unlimited hallway passes lol He knew he could trust me.

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**Elizabeth Borrero** - April 23 at 11:43 AM

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“ I had the privilege of getting to know Bill through his Son Stephen and daughter in law Lindsey. Once he relocated to Saint Augustine, he became a dear client in my salon. I would always look forward to his father and son haircut dates with Stephen, and on occasion included his grandson Cary as well. We chatted about all kinds of interesting things including his travels, his teaching career, his love of food, and so much more. He always made me feel so appreciated but I wish he knew how his presence impacted me as a person. He was such a kind and generous man who will be greatly missed here on this earth.

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**Tasha Riley** - November 27, 2023 at 10:33 PM