



William Arthur Wilson

February 24, 1956 - March 12, 2026

In Loving Memory of
William A. Wilson ("Uncle Bill")
February 24, 1956 - March 12, 2026

William A. Wilson ("Uncle Bill"), 70, of Ridgeway, Virginia, and Palm Coast, Florida, passed away on March 12, 2026. He was a proud citizen of the Cherokee Nation. Born and raised in Virginia, Bill built a life full of laughter, friendship, and unwavering devotion to his family.

Bill earned his degree in Business Administration and Management from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, a point of great pride—especially for a lifelong Tar Heel who never missed a chance to cheer on UNC (much to Amy, TJ, and Trav's goodnatured dismay). He went on to enjoy a long and successful career as a Supply Chain Consultant, eventually retiring to spend more time doing what he loved most.

Bill was predeceased by his parents, John Raymond Wilson, Sr. and Lorraine Smith Wilson, as well as his brother, John Raymond Wilson, Jr. He is survived by his brothers Jim Wilson (Pam) of Clayton, North Carolina, Tommy Wilson (Sherry) of Ridgeway, Virginia, and his sister Susie Pontiff Stringer (Terry) of St. Augustine, Florida. He also leaves behind eight nieces and nephews, eleven greatnieces and nephews, and one greatgrandnephew, all of whom

adored him.

Those who loved Bill will remember his warmth, humor, and remarkable ability to connect with absolutely anyone. He never met a stranger, always greeting the world with a smile, a story, or more often than not, a joke. Holidays were an adventure with Bill; no one ever knew what they might find inside a wrapped box. It could be a can of soup. It could be pudding. It could be exactly half a jar of peanuts. But whatever it was, it came with love and a mischievous grin.

Bill loved the beach more than almost anything. He went as often as he could, finding joy in the sun, the breeze, and the endless rhythm of the waves. He shared a particularly special bond with his greatnephew, Barton. Together they spent countless hours in the ocean and by the pool, talking about topics that no one else will ever fully understand – secret conversations that belonged only to them.

He was also the family's unofficial weatherman and newscaster, texting daily forecasts and updates about news, or Shark Week, to everyone he loved. In his own unique way, he kept the family connected, informed, and laughing. Whether strolling through crowded downtown St. Augustine or simply gathering with loved ones, Bill had a gift for shouting something unexpected and hilarious, often turning heads and sparking contagious laughter. He brought light to ordinary moments and closeness to every family gathering.

We are forever grateful for the time we had with him, for the laughter he gave us, and for the love he shared so freely. His presence will be deeply missed, but his humor, spirit, and heart will live on in all who knew him. From Barton and the entire family – Ring the Bell, Bill!

Services will be private. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be

made to St. Augustine Alligator Farm, in honor of Bill's favorite animal.

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William Arthur Wilson*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - March 20 at 11:39 AM

KB

I was so very sorry to hear about Bill. I have lots of fun memories of high school with him & a group of friends. He was always keeping us laughing! I'm praying for you all.

Karen Gilley Brady - April 09 at 10:42 PM

MW

“ *MARTHA ANN WEEKS lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Wilson*



MARTHA ANN WEEKS - April 10 at 12:28 AM

MW



MARTHA ANN WEEKS - April 10 at 12:30 AM



“ 49 files added to the album Life Tributes



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - March 20 at 10:51 AM

ST

“ *My heart is broken in hearing this. Bill was my friend and I also worked with him many years. I can say it was never a dull moment with him at work. I remember him walking through the door at 8:00 a.m. asking me a question before he got through the doorway. Bill was full of life and energy, loved making people laugh but also a true friend. I nicknamed him the energized bunny. I will always carry many memories with me and I was honored to know Bill and call him my friend. Prayers for all the family that you will find peace and mend your hearts*

*Sincerely,
Sharon Trogdon*

Sharon Trogdon - March 16 at 05:48 PM

VR

“ *So very sorry about Bill (or Billy as I always called him growing up as neighbors in downtown Ridgeway). My deepest sympathy to the siblings* ❤️

Vicki MABE Reeves - March 16 at 02:53 PM



“ I am deeply sorry for the loss of Bill. His passing leaves a tremendous void not only in your family’s life, but also in the lives of so many people who had the privilege of knowing him.

I had the honor of working alongside Bill for several years at Ornamental, and those years are filled with memories I will always cherish. Bill had a way of bringing laughter, energy, and personality into every single day. He was the kind of person who could lighten the room without even trying. He was a dear friend and someone I truly looked up to, even on the days when he managed to drive me absolutely crazy. That was part of what made Bill so special. He was genuine, spirited, and unforgettable.

Bill has always been one of my favorite people, and I am truly heartbroken by his loss. He had a way of leaving a lasting impression on everyone he met, and the world is undeniably dimmer without him.

Please know that my most sincere thoughts and prayers are with your entire family during this incredibly difficult time.

Melissa Wilson - March 16 at 11:51 AM

MW

“ **MARTHA ANN WEEKS** lit a candle in memory of William Arthur Wilson



MARTHA ANN WEEKS - March 16 at 10:17 AM