



William Spicer

March 28, 1928 - November 10, 2023

It is with profound sadness we announce the passing of William “Bill” Spicer on Friday, November 10, 2023. Bill spent 44 years as a cherished resident of Westampton, NJ where he lived with his beloved wife, Carolyn. His earthly journey ended on their 42nd wedding anniversary when he passed peacefully into the arms of his Heavenly Father.

Bill was a pillar of strength and wisdom. He was known for his unwavering faith and dedication to the Baptist Church. Bill was a devoted husband, loving father, cherished Pop, and proud great-grandfather. His kindness, generosity, and warm spirit touched the lives of many.

Bill was born in Chester, PA, the third son of the late Robert and Agnes Spicer. Following high school, he served in the US Navy. While stationed in San Francisco, he met his first wife, the late Patricia Spicer. His journey brought him back to the East Coast where he worked as an appliance repairman until discovering his true vocation, teaching. He found great joy and pride in his 22 years as an appliance repair teacher at BCIT in Westampton. It was while they were both working at BCIT that he met his second wife, school secretary Carolyn Spicer, whom he lovingly referred to as his ‘high school sweetheart.’

In addition to his successful career, Bill cared deeply about the community. Together with his wife Carolyn, he donated his time for 28 years as manager

of the Burlington County Farm Fair in Burlington. Bill and Carolyn also volunteered for decades as the Head Cooks for PA/South Jersey Disaster Relief. Bill traveled to NYC following 9/11, as well as to Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas, Florida, and even their home state of New Jersey for hurricane relief. Bill served the community with the same fervor that he found in his faith. Rancocas Valley Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon and founder of three puppet ministries, began with a small fellowship in his own living room. He later attended Heritage Baptist Church in Mt Laurel.

Bill's memory will be carried forward by his loving wife Carolyn, his children Rev. Linda Yarrow (Ivan) and Richard Spicer, and his stepdaughters Lisa Snively (Scott) and Diana Kendall (Mitch). He leaves behind cherished memories with his grandchildren John Yarrow (Sara), Tricia Yarrow, Stephen Daniel Snively (Tammy), Melissa and Noah Snively, Russell and Philip Spicer, Brandon and Blaine Kendall, and great-grandchildren Hannah, Eli, and Ethan Snively, John, William (Will), Ulysses, and Thomas Yarrow, who will eternally carry his legacy of love, compassion, and strength. He will always be remembered in the hearts of those privileged to have known him.

A memorial service at Heritage Baptist Church to honor and celebrate the remarkable life of William Spicer will be on Friday, December 8th, 2023 with the viewing at 10am and the memorial service at 11am. A private interment will follow. The family kindly requests that, in lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Extended Hand Ministries, 275 Holeman St, Mt. Holly, NJ 08060, or Heritage Baptist Church, 530 Union Mill Road, Mt. Laurel NJ 08054.

The Spicer family extends their sincere gratitude for the outpouring of condolences and support during this challenging time. Your heartfelt thoughts and prayers are deeply appreciated as we remember and honor the life of our beloved William Spicer.

May his soul find eternal peace and solace.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Heritage Baptist Church
530 Union Mill Road
Mount Laurel, NJ 08054
<http://www.heritageministries.com>

Memorial Service

DEC 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

EL

“ *preceded in death by his son David Spicer*

Elizabeth - March 05, 2024 at 05:33 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Spicer.*



December 07, 2023 at 12:08 PM

SA

“ *Carolyn & family, I want to offer my deepest condolences to you and your family at the passing of William. I have wonderful memories of both William and you, Carolyn when I was teaching at the school in Mount Holly. I just want to let you know that you're in my thoughts and prayers, and would have loved to attend the service on Friday, but I have a funeral at my church on Friday. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers as you do the service on Friday. Rejoicing, knowing that William is home in heaven.*

Susan Adams - December 04, 2023 at 02:06 PM

PG

“ *Carolyn and family:
Please accept my sympathy on the passing of Bill. He was a gentleman of the first order. It was a privilege to know him*
Pat Grodeck

Patricia Grodeck - November 29, 2023 at 06:49 AM

TA

“ Keep putting into practice all you learned and received from me— everything you heard from me and saw me doing. Then the God of peace will be with you. – Philippians 4:9 NLT

Your Godly gifts of service, grace, and compassion will always be remembered. You leave a legacy of your firm belief that Jesus died on the cross for our sins, and that one day we will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. What a mighty God we serve!
I love you! Until we meet again Pop!

Tammy - November 20, 2023 at 03:46 AM

CS

“ I had Mr.Spicer as a shop teacher when there was no teacher for Plumbing shop.He was more than just a teacher.He could tell if there was something on your mind,and pull you aside for a talk.He really cared about his students and it showed.He was more than a teacher to many and if you saw him out of Tech,he was just as pleasant and friendly as he was in school.RIP Mr Spicer... To Mrs.Spicer and rest of family.Be strong and God Bless.

Chris Smith..(Snoop) - November 15, 2023 at 11:51 PM

TB

“ He was my favorite teacher! I remember when a few of m friends and I took appliance repair shop in our freshman year at BCIT. He treated us girls with kindness and respect. He had a heart of gold and would help anyone! He even invited a handful of students to his wedding to Carolyn! He built his students confidence and made us feel like our opinions matter. Over 40 years later when I tell stories about my high schools days, he is in those stories. My condolences, thoughts and prayers go out to Carolyn and his family. He definitely was an amazing person!



Tina DeBolt Bowser - November 15, 2023 at 09:52 PM



“ I had the privilege of being one of Mr. Spicer's students. He was like a father to me. He kept me out of trouble and made sure I got to see my girlfriend (whom I married) during shop breaks! He make high school bearable. All of us guys loved teasing him about "his girlfriend in the office". My wife and I send our heartfelt condolences to his family. We hope Mr. Spicer finds peace.
Tony and Emma Ambricco
Class of '75 and Class of '76



Emma Ambricco - November 15, 2023 at 05:30 PM



FYI, this was written by Tony.

Emma Ambricco - November 15, 2023 at 05:34 PM

EL

Mmmm interesting

Elizabeth - March 05, 2024 at 06:32 PM

CM

“ I went to Burlington county institute of technology graduated in 86 , I was in his Appliance repair shop. I learned alot and till this day i can replace a lamp socket, and fix other small things he was a great teacher . I always checkin with them at the burlington county farm fair when it was in lumberton nj . Mrs. Spicer is a great person also i always went to her for help in school. So sorry for your lose he will be missed .

colleen mcclain - November 15, 2023 at 03:33 PM

AC

“ Amy Collom lit a candle in memory of William Spicer



amy collom - November 15, 2023 at 01:04 PM

AC

“ Uncle bill spicer was a great man great father and great part of our family friend he was always happy smiling when I saw him at the fair he always gave great hugs I've know his family for yrs it's sad that he is gone but will never be forgotten uncle bill I will miss u a lot we will keep ur memory alive at the fair u will be in my heart and prayers forever I will never forget u I love ❤️ uncle bill rip love Amy C

amy collom - November 15, 2023 at 01:04 PM

PC

“ *My father, Joe Gray, taught with Mr. Spicer at the Vo-tech high school. I recall my dad speaking of him very fondly over the years. Praying for peace and comfort for your family.*
Pam (Gray) Cossaboon

Pam Cossaboon - November 15, 2023 at 12:53 PM

BW

Carolyn, Sinceresympathy & prayers of encouragement at this difficult time. Boots White

Boots White - November 15, 2023 at 01:14 PM

PB

*Carolyn,
We would like to express our sincere condolences to you and your family. Bill always had a smile for everyone. He was a good man and will certainly be missed! God Bless you!*
Brian and Pat Bobko

patricia bobko - November 16, 2023 at 08:38 AM

LS

I was a 4H leader and my children were in 4H. We all greatly appreciated the dedication Mr. Spicer showed to the Burlington County Farm Fair. He truly had a big impact on the community.

Leslie Bulaga Seraphin - December 08, 2023 at 03:45 PM