



## William "Bill" Frank Lemmons

March 22, 1947 - February 1, 2019

William "Bill" Frank Lemmons, a 15 year resident of Royse City, TX, passed away February 1, 2019, at the age of 71. He was born March 22, 1947, in Los Angeles, CA, to William Frank and Juanita (Veatch) Lemmons. Bill graduated from Mesquite High School in 1966 and went on to marry his sweetheart, Joyce, of 45 years where together they spent 29 years in Rockwall County. He was an ordained minister in the Christian faith who deeply loved his family and was buddies with his grandkids. Bill was a creative man with many hobbies including: fishing, gardening and oil painting. He retired from the food industry after 30 years and truly enjoyed his work. Cooking for large groups of people was a passion of his, especially when he was able to put his skill to use at the wedding for both of his daughters.

Bill is survived by his loving wife: Joyce Kay Lemmons; children: Eric Lee Lemmons, Jennifer Kay Solomon and husband Hans, Judith Karyn Manary and husband Justin; grandchildren: Eric Lee Lemmons, Jr. and wife Heather, Carson Lemmons, Trevor Lemmons, Meagan Cheyenne Manary, Taylor Rose Manary, Evelyn Grace Solomon; great grandson: Tristan Lemmons; sister: Donna Hall; brother: Rick Lemmons and wife Jan; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Jerry Lemmons and Larry Lemmons; and sister: Jackie McClenahan.

No services are planned at this time.

# Comments

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“ My Uncle Bill , what can I say . I loved this Man. He was the best Man and Uncle anyone could ever have known . My Uncle Bill was always there for me and anyone that needed good sound advice or just someone to listen and tell you the honest truth. I met my Uncle Bill in 1973 when he married my Aunt Joyce. From the moment I met him I liked him, and he has a Son Eric that when I met him he was 6 and I was 8 and our birthdays are on the same day but 2 years apart. I not only had an awesome Uncle but an awesome cousin now. We always had fun. Eric and I used to get so excited when our parents would get together for the weekends during our summer breaks from school, it was always so much fun when our parents would get together for a good game of Spades or a good game of 42 while all of us played like kids do. Somehow Uncle Bill always made it special and fun for everyone. He usually did a great BBQ when we did our family get together and used to make old 9mm tapes of us kids and adults being Silly. My Dad and Uncle Bill were close like brothers and always seemed to make sure us kids had a great time. In the summertime Uncle Bill and Aunt Joyce and Eric and I went to Galveston TX for a vacation like thing, but Uncle Bill went there to work while we had fun. He always made sure me and Eric had a great time. As the years went on and I grew up, Uncle Bill introduced me to the food industry. He was an awesome food salesman. He loved cooking his Tyson foods and putting on his food shows, and I usually got to go with him to hel . He got me a job at The Lemmons Company as an apprentice, and I thought that was so cool. But Uncle Bill was also a Police officer for the City of Irving TX and Rowlett TX. I never got to ride along with him in Irving but in Rowlett he had a little more freedom because Rowlett was then a small town and he used to take me and Eric on little police car rides, and I loved that. He inspired me to want to become a police officer myself and I actually did join Collin county's police academy but never pursued it afterwards. I think I disappointed him. But he always was there to inspire me to be the best I could at anything I chose to do and always gave me good advice. I regret not being able to spend more time with him. I moved to St. Louis MO in 1998 and I'm still here, but I have been trying to get there to see him and now it's too late. The last time I saw him was in 2008 and I feel so bad that I didn't make more of an opportunity to get there. So I just feel bad for that reason. My Uncle Bill was the best Man I have ever known and it is so sad to me that I can't just talk to him on the phone or make plans to visit. He was a great Father to his son and 2 daughters and a great Grandfather to all. I know everyone in his family and his closest friends will deeply miss this man who was an inspiration to us all, and I just want to say thank you to my Aunt Joyce for making Uncle Bill a part of my life and I want to say I am so sorry Aunt Joyce that he is gone now. Forty-five years is a long time to be married to someone and I know you're hurting and I only wished he was still here blessing all of us with his presence of life and love. But that's why we all have those memories of him for the Joy he brought to all of us. And for Eric, Jennifer and Karen and all the grandkids I believe we all know he is better now with no more suffering. He was the best dad and Granddad and I know you are so sad but he is with you all in spirit now and he would want you to be happy and live your best possible lives with your husband and children. I have missed a lot of years with all my family since being gone, but I never have forgotten any of you. I know Uncle Bill is now with his parents and all his family and friends in heaven. I will never ever forget my Uncle Bill and all

the fun we all had. Thank you, Uncle Bill, for being a part of all of our lives. You were the best. One day I will see you again. I love you so much and miss you. Love  
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**Zander Smith** - February 05 at 07:26 AM

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“ Joyce and family, I am sorry Bill and I never met. He sounds like a wonderful man and husband. Please know we are thinking of you and your family. God be with you.

**Bill and Penny** - February 04 at 06:03 PM

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“ Bill And Penny lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Frank Lemmons



**Bill and Penny** - February 04 at 05:58 PM