



William Edward "Bill" Prince

May 24, 1942 - December 12, 2023

William E. Prince (Bill), age 81 of Sweetwater, went to be with the Lord on December 12, 2023. He was born on May 24, 1942. He was a graduate of Sweetwater High School that went on to the United States Army. Once discharged he became a talented machinist who worked for Steel City and Maremont until his retirement. Along with this, he was an avid animal lover who enjoyed his life on the family farm. William was a life-long member of Old Sweetwater Baptist Church. Most of all, William was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, and friend.

William was preceded in death by his parents John Frank Prince and Thelma Gertrude Millsaps; in-laws Albert Lee Denton and Sophie B. Denton; and son-in-law Jayrob McRay Hamilton.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years Sue D. Prince; daughter Lee Ann Leatherwood (Hamilton) and husband Charlie E. Leatherwood; granddaughter Alyssa Sophia Hamilton; brothers Roy Prince and Doyle Prince; sister Helen Carmical; and his numerous nephews and nieces.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, December 16, 2023 at Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, from 4:00 P.M. until 6:00 P.M. with the funeral service to follow at 6:00 P.M. in Kyker's Chapel with Rev. Mike Jones officiating. Interment 2:00 P.M. on Sunday in the Sweetwater Memorial Park

with full military honors. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made to Monroe County Animal Shelter. Kyker Funeral Homes, Sweetwater, in charge of arrangements. www.kykerfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Sweetwater Memorial Park

1838 Hwy 11 N
Sweetwater, TN 37874

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 16. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

DEC 16. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Interment with Full Military Honors

DEC 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William Edward "Bill" Prince*



Kyker Funeral Home - December 14, 2023 at 10:42 AM

JS

Earl Thompson and Bill Prince and myself hung around with each other in high school Bill was an excellent friend we played alot of pool and went all over the area in Earl's car Bill was a great guy Earl and I joined the Navy in 1959 and sorry to say I moved to Michigan over 50 years ago and never stayed in touch with Bill and I sure am sorry for that he was the kind of person to have for a friend

J.W. Stockton - December 14, 2023 at 05:03 PM

AD

Bill was a Great Man

aaron dills - December 16, 2023 at 09:04 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William Edward "Bill" Prince.*



December 16, 2023 at 08:47 AM

OS

“ Old S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Edward "Bill" Prince.

Old S. - December 16, 2023 at 08:47 AM



“ 41 files added to the album Life Tributes



Kyker Funeral Home - December 14, 2023 at 10:44 AM

WM

“ My heart aches for you all Sue, Leeann , and Alyssa in my prayers. I praises William for being the father figure to Alyssa when we lost Jayrob. Was a gentleman with a well rounded personality to make everyone feel safe and taken care of. Hugs, love, and prayers to day and the days to come. Love you all Aunt Jean

Wilma Manning - December 13, 2023 at 07:00 PM

MS

“ I want to express my sincere condolences to the family. I know Alyssa & Lee Ann and they are fine people. Which tells me that they came from a wonderful father & grandfather. Alyssa we love you very much. You are like family to the Stephens family.

Mary Evelyn Stephens - December 13, 2023 at 03:53 PM

ES

Evelyn Stephens

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CA

“ *William was a kind and very respected man. A true staple of the old Sweetwater community. Grew up with that family in Old Sweetwater Baptist church and the whole family is known as fine , good people.He and Sue always seemed so happy. Our heart goes out to you and all the family. He will be missed. Carol Ann and Mike Akins*

Carol Akins - December 13, 2023 at 01:36 PM

JW

William was a fine man that would do anything for someone in need. He loved his family so much. We enjoyed attending Church with him at Old Sweetwater and Gregorys Chapel Baptist.

Judy Wicker - December 13, 2023 at 02:54 PM

BM

Sorry to hear of your loss. He was a fine, nice man. Knew him from Maremont. Good hard worker. Prayers for all at this time.

Billie J McMillan - December 13, 2023 at 05:40 PM