



William "Bill" Geschwill

June 25, 1955 - December 11, 2022

William "Bill" Geschwill, 67 year old resident of Menahga, MN, formerly of Little Falls, MN passed away Sunday, December 11, 2022 at his home in Menahga. A Funeral Service will be at 11:00 AM on Monday, December 19, 2022, at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN with Bill Meyer officiating. Visitation will be from 4 to 7 PM on Sunday and one hour prior to the service on Monday, all at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls. Caring for Bill and his family is the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN.

Bill was born to John and Erna (Medek) Geschwill in Little Falls, MN and grew up on a farm by Buckman with many siblings, after which they moved to Little Falls. In 1977, he started enjoying the life of sobriety. In 1978, he was united in marriage to Annette (Elliott), and they had two children, Jesse and Trisha. They lived in Fergus Falls for some time and then owned and operated the Pillsbury Store until they later divorced. Most of his jobs in his adult years were in road construction, crane operation and many years at Amcon Block. His last job was his most fulfilling, when he had the opportunity to work at Northern Pines, connecting with children and being a positive role model and mentor. Bill enjoyed spending time with his children, grandchildren, family and friends, building things, hunting, trapping, fishing, camping, just being outdoors which included, riding his Harley. After years of owning hunting land up in Menahga with his son, Jesse, he purchased additional land and used all his talent and skills learned throughout his lifetime to build a house. With the

help of family and friends, using trees from the land, he built a house that he was proud of and retired there, spending his time in a place he loved. His new home was a welcoming place to family and friends that would come visit for a warm smile, a listening ear, a pot of coffee and maybe some words of wisdom and advice. At the time of his passing, he had over 45 years of sobriety. His strong faith in God and the many years of sitting around the table at meetings was apparent in the way he led his life and treated others. He was an example to many people, including his son, Jesse, when they walked through the door and encouraged them to "Keep coming back". His personality, humor, smile, laugh and one-line words of wisdom will be cherished by many that had the privilege to be part of his story.

Bill is survived by his children, Jesse (Tressa) Geschwill of Swanville, MN and Trisha Geschwill (Jacob Goebel) of Little Falls, MN; brothers, Jerome Geschwill of St. Michael, MN and Donny (Dolores) Geschwill of Bruno, MN; sisters, Joyce (Dave) Schmitz of Little Falls, MN and Elaine Jabas of Askov, MN; granddaughters, Kianna Posch and Chloe Geschwill; grandsons, Owen Talberg, Grant Geschwill, and Carson Geschwill; and many nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Eugene Geschwill, Kenny Geschwill, Roger Geschwill, and Eddie Geschwill; sisters, Ellen Geschwill and JoAnn Geschwill.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of William "Bill" Geschwill*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - December 15, 2022 at 09:00 AM



Rest in Peace, Bill. Had many fun times years ago. Practically neighbors.

Gloria Kjorsvik - December 17, 2022 at 01:30 AM



“ *William "Bill" Geschwill*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Bill was our neighbor will miss running into him at the mailbox or just meeting on the road and catching up. Very sorry for your loss. If there's anything we can do for you here don't hesitate to ask.*

Justin Huotari - December 23, 2022 at 06:17 PM



“ I knew Bill through the recovery community and he was a joy to be around. He always had so much wisdom shared in soft words and always welcomed the newcomer. And his Laugh! Oh how I loved to hear him laugh. My nick-name for him was 'Laughing Bill' as I wasn't certain of his last name. When we needed a mechanic, he recommended and had the highest praises for his nephew, Rob, who does mechanic work. You will be greatly missed my friend! Deb Donahue-Sharstrom.

Debra Donahue-Sharstrom - December 19, 2022 at 09:50 AM

SH

“ He was a good man who helped me when I was a troubled young man



Shawn - December 18, 2022 at 08:50 PM

SE

“ Stacy Elliott lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Geschwill



Stacy Elliott - December 15, 2022 at 02:27 PM

SE

Bill will be greatly missed, he was a gift to the Elliott family. Will definitely miss hearing his laughter.

Stacy Elliott - December 15, 2022 at 02:30 PM

CB

Bill was truly a God send in our lives, he was with us for 6 years. Josiah said "It is just like losing Grandpa all over again" In heaven Bill will see all the lives he has touched during his time here on earth, the number will be huge. Heaven has gained another extra Special Angel.

Christy Browen - December 15, 2022 at 03:47 PM



“ 54 files added to the album Life Tributes



Lemieur Funeral Homes - December 15, 2022 at 08:58 AM

RD

“ *Jesse, Dayre and I were so very sorry to hear of your Dad's passing, such a great man he was. Take comfort in knowing he did the Good Lord, and "Bill's" work with all he mentored. Prayers for you and your family, he'll be sorely missed by many 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏*

Renee & Dayre - December 14, 2022 at 07:04 PM

TL

“ *Tom Ledbetter lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Geschwill*



Tom Ledbetter - December 14, 2022 at 01:52 PM

BS

“ *Bill & Kathleen Schuett lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Geschwill*



Bill & Kathleen schuett - December 14, 2022 at 11:11 AM

KP

“ *Such a sad loss. I remember going ice fishing on Christmas Eve with Bill and Jesse on a Christmas Eve once. Priorities were great. Fish was, too.*



Karen Przybilla - December 13, 2022 at 07:51 PM

WW

“ *Wendy Waltman sent a virtual gift in memory of William "Bill" Geschwill*



Wendy Waltman - December 13, 2022 at 07:42 PM

NK

“ So sorry for your loss.



Nona Koester - December 13, 2022 at 04:07 PM

DZ

“ Diane Zalasin lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Geschwill



Diane Zalasin - December 13, 2022 at 02:39 PM

MM

“ Mike & Brenda Malwitz lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Geschwill



Mike & Brenda Malwitz - December 13, 2022 at 02:23 PM

DK

“ Good bye old friend. Oh the stories I could tell of my friend and our friendship. A lot of stuff could be told in the 58 years we knew each other. We were all blessed by his presence in our lives. Whether it be family or the uncountless friends that he cherished. Thank you Bill for your friendship, wisdom and acknowledge. I am already missing you.f

Dennis Kay - December 13, 2022 at 02:02 PM

TV

“ Terri Vilinski lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Geschwill



Terri Vilinski - December 13, 2022 at 11:59 AM

CJ

“ Curtis And Nancy Jendro lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Geschwill



Curtis and Nancy Jendro - December 13, 2022 at 10:07 AM

JA

“ Bill was one of the nicest person I know. He will be greatly missed. My deepest sympathy to his family and friends

Julie Albers - December 12, 2022 at 07:17 PM

RS

“ To the family of William Geschwill: our deepest sympathy & condolences thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God bless you all. May William Rest In Peace with our Heavenly Father in heaven. We are deeply sorry for your loss.

Richard & Mary Schneider - December 12, 2022 at 01:24 PM

DP

“ *Trish ... My heart goes out to you and your family for the loss of your dad. I hope your happy memories will help you through this difficult time. Sending love and prayers to you all,*



Deb Pederson - December 12, 2022 at 01:21 PM