

William J. "Bill" Pitt
December 13, 1959 - February 6, 2021

William "Bill" Pitt, age 61, of Tracy and formerly of Pella and Knoxville, Iowa passed away at his home on Saturday, February 6, 2021.

Bill's wishes were to be cremated and a visitation with Bill's family present will be held on Friday, February 12, 2021 at the Winfield Funeral Home in Knoxville from 3:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

William Joseph Pitt was born on December 13, 1959 in Chariton, Iowa, the son of Jerry Lee, Sr., and Mary (Clare) Pitt. He attended grade school, until the third grade in Tracy and then attended and graduated from Knoxville High School, Class of 1978.

Bill worked during high school for farmers and he mowed yards around Knoxville. After high school he worked for a short time with Smith's Carpet before Bill began his career at Precision Pulley Industries. He worked with PPI for forty years until his retirement.

Bill was united in marriage to Brenda Taylor, and they were blessed with two children, Dustin and Lacy. They later divorced.

On New Year's Eve of 2005 Bill and Susan Annette Beal met and soon began to share their lives together. They shared over 15 years together and were further blessed with three children, Annette, Steve, and Cody.

Bill had a lifelong passion for fishing. He hunted, boated, enjoyed a cabin on the Des Moines River. Bill loved his family and especially his grandchildren.

Those left to cherish Bill's memory include his companion Susan Beal; their children, Dustin Pitt (Amanda Mackey), Lacy Thingstad (Heath), Annette Smith (Bryan), Steve Beaver (Cassie) and Cody Beaver; four grandchildren, Cameron, Danielle, Emmalynn, and Finley Smith. Bill is also survived by his brother Jerry Lee Pitt, Jr. (Toni) and his sister Kelly Slycord (Dennis).

Bill is preceded in death by his parents, Jerry Lee, Sr., and Mary (Clare) Pitt. The Winfield Funeral Home in Knoxville is assisting Bill's family with services.

Events

FEB Visitation 03:00PM - 07:00PM

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Winfield Funeral Home 202 Washington, Knoxville, IA, US, 50138

Comments



I don't believe that I will ever miss anyone more than I will miss my brother. One of the very few people that I could always count on no matter what. Gone way too soon

Jerry Pitt - February 16 at 08:03 AM



Jerry, I was glad to see you at the optometrist's office in Pella on Monday, the 15th. I was so sorry to hear that you had just lost your brother, Bill. Donna DeJong "Saw Lady"

D - February 15 at 05:12 PM



1st memory of Bill. Was the first time I met him and Sue, they gave me a dog named Bear. I still have her, and I also tell her story's of Bill.

Vicky - February 14 at 10:12 AM



That's a smile Chris and Laurie Brand will never forget. Bill was the best meat smoker we have ever known. He took great care of my sister Sue and loved all of his children and grandchildren. The Beal family already knows how heartbroken we are for them. Dustin , Lacy, and Jerry we are so sorry for your loss. Even thou we all knew it was coming it has to be so hard on your three families. Bill was a lot of fun to be around and know that we are thinking of you. Please Jerry, "keep smiling because you look just like Bill when you smile." Rest in Peace Bill Pitt you have earned it. Chris and I will always remember his face exactly the way it is pictured above. Little bit ornery as he was sweet.

Laurie Brand - February 12 at 01:40 AM



I've known Bill and worked with him for a long, long time and he was a great friend. We used to go hunting turkeys in Missouri and deer hunting here in Iowa. Precision Pulley would be a lesser place if it hadn't been for Bill. Got to visit him a couple weeks ago and we had a great time reminiscing about the old days. I'll treasure that forever. He was still chipper and matter of fact about his illness. So sad to see him go. My sympathy to Sue and the family. He left us way too soon, RIP my friend.



Irvin Slagter - February 11 at 08:21 PM



Jeff And Peggy Bailey lit a candle in memory of William J. "Bill" Pitt



Jeff and Peggy Bailey - February 11 at 07:19 PM



Thoughts and prayers for the family



Cathy Courtney - February 11 at 04:40 PM





Dan Sutherland lit a candle in memory of William J. "Bill" Pitt



Dan Sutherland - February 11 at 03:43 PM





Janet Martenson lit a candle in memory of William J. "Bill" Pitt



Janet Martenson - February 11 at 03:14 PM





66 My condolences to the family. Another classmate gone too soon

Greg Weldon - February 11 at 01:02 PM





66 Jami Harsin lit a candle in memory of William J. "Bill" Pitt



Jami Harsin - February 11 at 11:08 AM



It's hard to pick just one. Grew up with Bill and the rest of the family, loved his mom and dad, such carefree happy times since we were children! As we got older Had more really good memories! He will be missed and finally remembered. Prayers to Jerry and Kelli and all of the families. Rest in peace my dear friend!

Elizabeth Miller-Cheriet - February 11 at 10:43 AM



No words. So sorry for all. Will miss him dearly. He's one of the good ones. Hugs Suzy q

brad griffin - February 10 at 09:30 PM



My Deepest Condolences to Sue and family of Bill.

A Great Guy gone too soon



Kathy Jones - February 10 at 08:46 PM



Tim Spriggs lit a candle in memory of William J. "Bill" Pitt



tim spriggs - February 10 at 07:51 PM



66 Bill will be missed by alot of people. I've known him for at least 8 yrs. The 1st time I met him I ended up bringing home a dog.(Bear)

Vicky - February 14 at 10:08 AM



66 The Sage Family lit a candle in memory of William J. "Bill" Pitt



The Sage family - February 10 at 04:47 PM



Bill and I were friends for over 40 years and got to be best buds after I moved back to Pella 20 or so years ago We spent lots of hours Hunting, fishing, spend time on the River We also built a smoker and and did some cooking for partys RIP my friend Moose

Moose Van Hulzen - February 10 at 03:47 PM



Bill has been a wonderful brother! He's always had my back! As adults he has always made me feel very important in his life! I always have admired his spirit and love of having fun! My heart is hurting so bad! But I know he's with our parents and enjoying the lake in heaven! U too brother!

kelly slycord - February 10 at 04:20 AM

R.I.P. Bill



one at that. Had a heart of gold, would help anyone out that need help, a hard worker, never complained, and loved his family dearly Dustin & Lacy was the most important things in his life, they meant the world to him. He was all around a great guy. You will be missed by everyone that knew you!

R.I.P. Bill.

Marilyn Witter - February 10 at 11:36 AM



66 Bill was my Ex son-law ,and a great one at that. He would do anything for anyone. A hard worker, loved his family. His son Dustin, daughter Lacy meant the world to him. His family will be lost without him. He was all around a great guy . My thoughts goes out all of you. What a great guy.

Marilyn Witter - February 10 at 11:55 AM



Love you Mom! Your a great sister to him too! You were his favorite sister too, he would always tell me that and then laugh. Since you are his only sister:)

Jami Harsin - February 10 at 12:21 PM



Kelly and Jerry please know our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. God be with you all! Memories are so special at this time.

Sue Peling - February 10 at 03:57 PM



66 Sharon lit a candle in memory of William J. "Bill" Pitt



Sharon - February 09 at 08:52 PM



66 Mom purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of William J. "Bill" Pitt.



Mom - February 09 at 08:01 PM



66 Bill was a great neighbor to Mom and Dad, always had a smile on his face with a heart of gold. I always enjoyed having coffee time with him and Susy, discussing life's joys. He enjoyed hunting and cutting firewood in their pasture. Great man.

Steve Meinders - February 09 at 12:58 PM



I remember when my family became acquainted with the Pitt family. They moved out of town to an acreage just down the road from us. Because of the pet pony getting out and coming over to our place, we got to know the Pitts. Soon the Pitt boys were spending as much time as they could at our farm. When they moved back to Knoxville, their dad would bring them out so they could be "on the farm". Bill and his brother Jerry (Pevis) were like shadows to my brother Mark and I. As they got older their time on the farm diminished, as they became old enough for their own jobs, and drivers licenses. Never the less, we all stayed in contact. I'll always remember those days on the farm with our "helpers".

Plain, helpful, no B.S. That's how I will remember Bill, my friend. The world has lost another one too soon!

Don Drost

Don Drost - February 09 at 10:35 AM



66 Bill and Jerry Pitt were our school bus buddies as well as horse backing riding partners. We have so many great memories of both. And can't help but smile when we recall those fun, carefree times. Last time I seen Bill was at the vet clinic. He still had those sparkling blue eyes and a smile. Rest in peace, Bill. And love and comfort to your siblings, family, and friends. Love, Donna (Hatch) Flattery

Donna Flattery - February 09 at 10:09 AM



66 Moose & The Yahoo's and Families purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of William J. "Bill" Pitt.



Moose & The Yahoo's and Families - February 09 at 09:38 \mbox{AM}