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William E. Lesniczak “Bill”, age 84 of Lewes, DE, passed away peacefully at sunset, on Tuesday, September 13, 2022, with his beloved daughters by his side, at his home. He was born on March 15, 1938, in Wilmington, DE, son of the late Marion and Mary Lesniczak.

Bill graduated from Wilmington High School, Class of 1956. He built a career in aircraft design, dedicating many years to Atlantic Aviation, before starting with Georgetown Aircraft Services, from which he retired. Bill's love for cabinetry and woodworking continued, and he established L & L Woodworking, building many bars for local restaurants, including Grotto Pizza.

Bill loved his morning walks on the boardwalk in Rehoboth and lunching with his ladies. He spent most days on his dock, checking his crab pots and planning his day around which happy hour he would attend (except on Tuesdays, his day off). An avid outdoorsman, Bill had a lifelong love of hunting and fishing. He was a member of the American Legion Post 28 and the Ocean City Singles Club. Bill found great joy in dancing to local bands up and down the coast, from Rehoboth Beach to Ocean City, Maryland and was nicknamed “Dancing Bill”. Above all, he cherished time spent with those he loved, particularly his daughters and grandsons. To know Bill was to love him. He will be deeply and genuinely missed by all who had the good fortune to know him.

The family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to Evelyn, Bill’s caregiver, who went above and beyond. Thank you.

He is survived by his beloved daughters: Kelli L. Humphrey (Craig) of Mt. Pleasant, SC and Jamie A. Lesniczak of West Chester, PA; his grandsons: Jackson, Will, Brent, Zach, and Nick; his brothers: Frank Lesniczak of Ocean View, DE and Edward Lesniczak of Newark, DE; and his nephews, who were like sons to him: Jeff Baker of Millsboro, DE and Scott Blackiston of Wilmington, DE..



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A celebration of Bill's life will be held for family and friends next summer.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.



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Matt Angle posted:

I loved hanging out and looking at his woodworking projects. He was a talented old school craftsman and took pride in his creations. I'm pretty sure he put the word Happy in "Happy Hour" and never saw him sad. He was always full of life. Rest well my friend.

September 19 at 4:59 AM



Abby Chandler posted:

Bill was a wonderful boss we had alot of good days at Atlantic Aviation. RIP 🙏

September 18 at 3:36 PM



Colleen Gathers posted:

Rest in Peace Bill. You were my greatest neighbor. I will always remember fishing and crabbing and sharing good times on Love Creek with you. Love you always.

September 18 at 1:41 PM



Ruth Ann Curley posted:

Rest in peace, Bill. I'll never forget our Thanksgiving dinner together with your family. Love, Ruth Ann

September 16 at 11:20 AM



Melodie Banknell Deacon posted:

Bill was one of my first dance partners when I moved back to Maryland. Every time we spent time together was always fun. He loved to tease me and I teased him right back! His love for life and positive attitude were such an example for me. He loved to talk about his family as I did mine, so we never ran out of conversation. My sincere condolences to all you. He will be missed.

September 15 at 6:55 PM



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Joe Kalinowski posted:

To Frank and Eddie and the entire Lesniczak family condolences from Hedgeville and Browntown where we all grew up. Joe Kalinowski

September 15 at 4:40 PM



Christina Mcdermott September 19 at 5:51 AM

Kelli and Jamie, I'm thinking of you during this sorrowful and difficult time, and I'm sending you both a comforting hug. I am sorry for your loss. Chrissy McDermott



Joan Chambers September 16 at 6:02 AM

I talked to Bill a month or so ago, he called me and told me he was persevering, and hoping to become mobile soon. He sounded fine. A lovely man, he helped me with projects, kitties, and the dancing, he was a natural! He was so proud of his daughters and his grandsons, told me one grandson had graduated college and just got a wonderful job. Bill is, has been, and will continue to be truly missed. But wherever he is, know that his feet are tapping away on a heavenly dance floor! Joan Chambers



Linda Spatz September 16 at 5:33 AM

Bill always knew the best places to go dancing! He was always kind and a lot of fun! He has been so missed! RIP Bill Linda Spatz



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring William by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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