



## William Howard Baldwin,

August 5, 1929 - October 2, 2012

William H. "Bill" Baldwin Jr., 83, of Bluefield, WV, died Tuesday, October 2, 2012. Bill was born August 5, 1929 in Bluefield, WV. He was the oldest son of the late William H. Baldwin, Sr. and Gladys Ruth Cook Baldwin. Bill went to work for Norfolk Western Railroad at the age of 16 and graduated from Bluefield High School in 1948. Upon graduation he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in Germany during the Korean Conflict. After his military service, Bill resumed his railroad career and retired from Norfolk Southern Railway as Car Distributer after 42 years. Bill was a member of Cumberland Heights Baptist Church for over 50 years. He served the church in many roles and influenced the lives of many young men as director of the RA program. He was an avid outdoorsman. He loved hiking, camping, hunting and fishing. He was always planning the next adventure with family or hunting friends...and everyone was eager to join the adventure when Bill was the camp cook. Bill loved his family deeply and he was deeply loved. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Ruth Baldwin and his daughter-in-law, Tammy Baldwin. Survivors include his loving wife of 59 years, Mary Porterfield Baldwin; daughter, Tricia Baldwin of Fort Worth, TX; son, Stan Baldwin of Bluefield; three brothers, Frederick T. Baldwin and wife Marion of Mooresville, NC, David N. Baldwin and wife Nancy of Fairbanks, AK, and Charles A. Baldwin and wife Carol of Myrtle Beach, SC; grandson, Austin Baldwin; great-grandchildren, Lydia and Elijah The family will receive friends at Cumberland Heights Baptist Church on Thursday evening, October 4, 2012 from 6:00 until

8:00 p.m. Funeral services will be on Friday, October 5, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. at Cumberland Heights Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton where, Stan Baldwin, Scott Collier, Eric Collier, Bob Shockley, Donnie Linkous, and John Flinchum will serve as pallbearers. Should friends desire, memorial gifts may be made to Cumberland Heights Baptist Church, 3811 E. Cumberland Road, Bluefield WV 24701 or Appalachian Teen Challenge, 1651 Unity Road, Princeton, WV 24739 Those wishing to share memories or condolence messages with the family may do so by visiting [www.MercerFuneralHome.com](http://www.MercerFuneralHome.com). Mercer Funeral Home & Crematory is serving the family of William H. "Bill" Baldwin, Jr.

# Tribute Wall



“ *William Howard Baldwin,*

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October 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM



“ *Life like a mist, appears for just a day Then disappears tomorrow All that we are can quickly fade away Replaced with tears and sorrow If a man should die, can he live again? Hear the promise God has made: He will call The dead will answer (rise) They shall live at His command For He will have a longing For the work of His own hand So have faith and do not wonder For our God can make us stand And we shall live forever As the work of His own hand John 6:40 John 11:11,43 James 4:14*

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**Lorraine Denson** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM



“ *What an honor and privilege to have known Bill and the Baldwin family. Many fond memories of adventures and fun have been shared over the years. I have every respect for this gentle giant of a man. God will allow his legacy to live on through the lives of the people touched through his many years on this earth. Blessings to all the family!*  
*With love,*  
*Caroline*

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**Caroline** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM



“ *Praying for you guys as you meet with family and friends tonight and tomorrow. I'm honored to have known Mr. Bill. My love and prayers are with you.*

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**Tammy** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

DK

“ *Tricia - wishing you God's comfort and peace. Remember the promise that "To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord" (II Corinthians 5:8). I fondly remember you playing guitar in jazz band and for our class song at gradiatopm. Love to hear from you. David Kraft, BHS '77*

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**David Kraft** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

JB

“ *May God comfort you at this time of sorrow.*

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**Jean Frye Boyles** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

JB

“ *My sisters and I grew up with the Baldwins on Grassy Branch. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of sorrow.*

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**Judy Frye Belcher** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

VW

“ *I am very sorry to hear of the passing of Bill. I lived on Grassy Branch in the 60's. I wnet to school with Charles. Praying for the family.. John 14: 1-3..*

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**Virginia Hoge Williams** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

VH

“ *Sending our thoughts and prayers to our dear friend Tricia and to all the Baldwin family. May the Lord provide strength and comfort during this time and in the days ahead. In His love, Vicki and Linda*

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**Vicki Gilliam & Linda Haptonstall** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM

RR

“ *Trish, you and your entire family are in our thoughts, prayers and hearts during this time. May the faith that you have give you strength through the sad moments and the memories that you have of good times with your Father provide loving comfort. Sending warm hugs to you, Rob and Carolyn*

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**Robert &Carolyn Robertson** - March 07, 2014 at 04:20 PM