



## William Stanley Schultz, Jr.

April 28, 1946 - March 24, 2016

William Stanley Schultz, Jr., 69, Topeka, passed away Thursday, March 24, 2016, at Stormont Vail Health Center, surrounded by his family.

Bill was born on April 28, 1946, in Jersey City NJ, the son of William and Teresa Clark Schultz. He graduated from Topeka West High School and attended Washburn University. Bill proudly served in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. Bill was married to Shirley Marstall Leeper and they enjoyed 31 wonderful years together. He retired from technical support at Washburn University. Bill was a lifetime member of the VFW post #1650, a member of the American Legion and Christ the King Catholic Church. He was also a member of AA and NA, with 35 years of sobriety, something he was very proud of. Bill was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle. He was dearly loved and will be sorely missed.

Grateful to have shared his life are his wife, Shirley Schultz, of the home; son, Trey Schultz, Portland OR; daughter, Becky Leeper, Topeka; grandson, Nathaniel Leeper; sisters, Linda Hall and Mona Redman (Thomas); step-mother, Suzue Schultz; step-siblings, Billy, Lisa, Linda and LeeAnn; mother-in-law, Viola Marstall, as well as many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Bill is also survived by other special people, Jessie Schulz, Chris Knox and family and Bill's fellowship family.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Frankie Schultz and brother, Stephen Schultz.

A parish rosary will be prayed at 6 p.m. Monday at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614, where family will greet friends until 8 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Christ the King Catholic Church. Inurnment will follow at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Christ the King Catholic Church or the American Cancer Society, sent in care of the funeral home.

# Previous Events

## Rosary

MAR 28. 6:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home  
2801 SW Urish Road  
Topeka, KS 66614  
(785) 272-7888  
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

## Visitation

MAR 28. 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home  
2801 SW Urish Road  
Topeka, KS 66614  
(785) 272-7888  
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 29. 10:00 AM (CT)

Christ the King Catholic Church  
5973 SW 25th Street  
Topeka, KS 66614

# Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William Stanley Schultz, Jr.



---

**Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home** - March 28, 2016 at 11:23 AM



“ William Stanley Schultz, Jr.

---

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ Ragen and I just learned that Bill had passed away. He was a great spirit with a wonderful sense of humor and chuckle. It was always fun talking politics with him, especially since we shared the same views. I knew Bill at Topeka West and also at Washburn University where we both worked. He was a valued employee and always took a special part at the University's Veteran's Day celebration. We are sorry to have missed Bill's funeral and we send our deepest sympathy and condolences to all his family.  
Marj Murray

---

**Marj Murray** - March 30, 2016 at 08:19 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to all of Bill's family. I am humbled, and impressed, by the way Bill turned his life around and used his problems to reach out and help people, and by the way he lived his life. The bible says you can know a man by the fruit of his life and labors. That is no where more evident than by looking at the life that Bill left behind. We knew each other when we were young, confused, and troubled. I would like to have talked with him before he left, but now will have to settle for giving him a high five if we see each other in heaven. Kudos to you, Bill Schultz. Job well done...*

*Peggy Foster-Kratzberg*

---

**Peggy Foster-Kratzberg** - March 29, 2016 at 03:15 PM

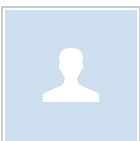


“ *The Primary Purpose AA Group sent a virtual gift in memory of William Stanley Schultz, Jr.*



---

**The Primary Purpose AA Group** - March 28, 2016 at 09:16 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of William Stanley Schultz, Jr..*



---

March 28, 2016 at 07:45 PM



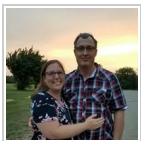
“ It was really nice to meet uncle Bill. My daughter Sophie was 8 when we met uncle Bill for the first time and we both enjoyed the company of uncle Bill and his family very much. We felt very welcome and we could relate to him in many ways. He had a wonderful personality and sense of humour that made my daughter and I feel so at ease especially during our last meeting in 2014. We are glad to have been able to spend time with him and aunt Shirley and family in Topeka in 2014.

*Uncle Bill, we are very sad that you wont be able to take us geocaching like you promised but its ok, we will do it in your memory. The world lost a precious soul but heaven gained one. May God the Almighty grant you eternal rest uncle Bill and may the Blessed Virgin Mary be with you as you praise God for all eternity. Amen. Our prayers also for aunt Shirley, Becky, Nate and all who love uncle Bill.*

*Lots of love from Charmaine and Sophie; Melbourne, Australia*

---

**C.v. Paras** - March 28, 2016 at 06:20 PM



“ Bill was a very friendly and welcoming neighbor.

*The Smith Family*

---

**Lindsay Smith** - March 28, 2016 at 05:40 PM

DP

*“ Bill was one of a kind. I loved his sense of humor, and his kindness to everyone. Since I haven't seen him in person much in the last 7 years or so, having him on Facebook was almost as good. His personality was large and loving, and he gave so many people the inspiration to take care of themselves, and to keep coming back. I miss you already, and know that my memories of you will last a lifetime. Sincere condolences to Shirley, and all of the family and friends to whom Bill meant so much.*



---

**Dee Poe** - March 28, 2016 at 02:41 PM



*“ Well, Bill, all I can say at this point is thanks. Thanks for being the good guy. Thanks for fighting the good fight. and thanks for calling me a friend.*

---

**Dan Brennan** - March 28, 2016 at 11:05 AM

GI

*“ Bill was a great man and always willing to help. So sad he has left us, but now he is in the arms of God. Rest my friend, rest!*

---

**Ginger** - March 28, 2016 at 10:46 AM

JS

“ I was fond of Bill for many reasons. One of his finest attributes is being a good old outspoken liberal Democrat. They are kind of rare among the friends of Bill Wilson. Despite his deep caring for the less fortunate in this world, he maintained a great sense of humor and tried not to take life, or himself, too damned seriously. I did not know his family, but I want to thank them for helping him be the fine man he was..

*Johnny X Schneider.*

---

**John Schneider** - March 28, 2016 at 10:25 AM



“ Bill was a great guy and a good friend and co-worker. He had a way with words that would always make me smile. We shared the love of black licorice hard candies and I remember sharing them with him every time he came to the office, when he worked at Washburn.



*With deepest sympathy, my thoughts and prayers go out to his family.*

---

**Shelby Peek** - March 28, 2016 at 09:17 AM

MD

“ I will miss Bill so much. He was one of the nicest people I've ever known and just so darned genuine. Funny, kind, fair....so, so sorry for your loss -

---

**Maura Dingman** - March 28, 2016 at 08:21 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William Stanley Schultz, Jr..*



---

March 28, 2016 at 12:16 AM



“ *Shirley, Becky, and Nathaniel my thoughts are with you during this time. You are in my prayers.*

---

**Karen Hipp** - March 27, 2016 at 11:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William Stanley Schultz, Jr..*



---

March 27, 2016 at 09:47 PM



“ *Shirley, my sincere condolences to you and your family. Your neighbor, Roxie Montgomery.*

---

**Roxie Montgomery** - March 27, 2016 at 02:25 PM

MT

“ You were a Special kind of Bill to me. That grin he could give me was priceless. Even though Politically we were never on the same page, WE both had a Special kind of Love for each other. Bill always had a hug for me and kindness. I will miss him at the Bean and of course the "rooms".

I know he spread lots of Love around for many years. A stand up guy for his beliefs and Patriotism. I respected his honesty. Rest my Friend, you will be missed.

God Bless Shirley and all of Bills Family. 🙏🙏🙏 for Peace and Comfort..

---

**Marsha Torgeson** - March 27, 2016 at 11:10 AM


NT

“ Thank you for chairing the first meeting that I ever went to, Thank you for Service to the NA family, and for your knowledge of the steps!



---

**Nancy Smith Thomsen** - March 27, 2016 at 11:01 AM

 Danny Engling

“ Condolences.

---

**Danny Engling** - March 27, 2016 at 07:56 AM

MR

“ Shirley . . . We loved him. We love you and Becky and Nathaniel. How does one say thank you for such immense friendship as the four of us have shared over the last 30 plus years? We will miss him today, tomorrow and always. And, yes, it's gonna be hard to find another Hawk lover to harass.

*Fred and Marge*

---

**Marge Rightmeier** - March 27, 2016 at 07:07 AM

AG

“ I played a lot of "bones" and drank a lot of coffee with Bill and Shirley in the late '80s. Prayers for the family.

---

**Amy Gordee** - March 27, 2016 at 03:26 AM



“ Thank you Billy, for sharing your joys, your pain, your knowledge, and your life. Thank you for choosing your words carefully, and for sharing so many smiles of encouragement. The light that shone in you was brilliant, and it glittered in your eyes. No matter who needed to speak with you, to learn from you, to be comforted by you, you treated each with equal dignity and acceptance.



Thank you Billy, for saving so many lives; lives that could easily be lost but were not, because they met you. You gave so much, yet never seemed tired, your energy lit fires all over town, impacting so many. There are many souls quietly crying for our loss of you, the spark and light of you, the gift of you.

You are well loved Billy Schultz. Well loved.

Thanks for being you.

---

**Dana Stelting** - March 27, 2016 at 12:28 AM

GM

Thank you for your well thought out words...I don't know if anyone can depict him any better...you set alot of things straight for some that were a little confused...thank you again for your heartfelt words...I for one applauded you for them...Gwen Mayer

---

**Gwen Mayer** - March 27, 2016 at 06:48 AM

TL

“ Tears for the sadness of his passing. Tears for the joy he brought to those who knew him. Thank you, Bill. You were the best.

---

**Terry Larson** - March 26, 2016 at 11:08 PM

JS

“ Shirley and Becky and the rest of the family, I am truly sorry for your loss. I loved Billy lots! He has had an incredible influence on my life. I will never forget him.

Jodi Sturgeon - March 26, 2016 at 09:44 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Stanley Schultz, Jr..



March 26, 2016 at 07:50 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Stanley Schultz, Jr..



March 26, 2016 at 07:10 PM

RM

“ A good man who helped many. We lost a good one.

Robb Morrison - March 26, 2016 at 04:09 PM

RK

I feel blessed to have Bill for a friend for 54 years. He was a living example of what God can do with a man. His legacy lives on in many, many others. I'll miss talking with him.

Randy Kemper - March 26, 2016 at 04:43 PM

SJ

*A great man has left us. Let us honor him through our kindness to others.*

---

**Susan Jarchow** - March 26, 2016 at 08:51 PM

CC

*Through these, and the posts on Facebook, it doesn't take long to realize the quiet influence Bill had on friends, family and strangers. Actually, Bill knew no strangers. Since Bill (Billie) is my first cousin, I had the privilege of growing up with him and all three of those sisters of his! I can say, with some knowledge, from the earliest years to the last, Billie was always a person people enjoyed being around and associated with. One day I met up with Billie in Topeka. Billie said "lets go, I need to find something". I couldn't imagine what he was talking about. After arriving on the Washburn campus we walked over to a big stone eagle where Billie overturned a stone and pulled out a note left by someone. He was extremely pleased by following the clews left, he was able to determine where to look and be successful. Interesting game, however Billie would be the first to say his greatest find was Shirley. Thank you Shirley for providing the love and direction our male family member's genetics have always required! Yes, my cousin will be missed by many, but in the final analysis, if we are lucky, we will once again be welcomed into his open arms. Until we meet again! In loving memory and anticipation.*

*Your cousin, Clyde Cozad*

---

**Clyde Joseph Cozad** - March 27, 2016 at 09:02 AM