

William "Bill" R. Golden

October 12, 1949 - August 27, 2020

William "Bill" R. Golden, 70, of Roswell, New Mexico, passed away on Thursday, August 27, 2020, in Ruidoso, NM. Please take a moment and share a kind thought or memory with Bill's family at www.andersonbethany.com.

A Celebration of Bill's Life will take place at The Liberty, 312 N Virginia Ave, Roswell, NM, on Saturday, October 3, 2020, from 1:00 PM and 6:00 PM. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to 575-622-1100.

On October 12, 1949, Bill was born to Billie June Sanders. Following his graduation from Central High School in San Angelo, Texas, Bill attended Eastern New Mexico University, in Roswell, NM. Bill became a long-time resident of Roswell, serving as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) within the community. Bill was the beloved husband of LaNita Golden, whom were married on February 14, 2015, in Amarillo, TX. He will forever be her Valentine. He worked over forty years as a CPA, and was the Executive Managing Member of Golden, Seward, Kelley & Emmons, LLC, a CPA firm in Roswell, NM.

Bill was a devoted civic member and educator within the local South-Eastern New Mexico business community and greater New Mexico accounting societies. He served as a Former Chairman and Board Member of the New Mexico Public Accountancy Board. He was a Board Member of the American

Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), New Mexico Society of CPAs, as well as a Founding Member of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy Center for the Public Trust. Bill received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the New Mexico Society of CPAs for his dedication to the greater New Mexico business community. In addition, Bill served as Treasurer of the Roswell Humane Society and as well as a Board Member of Crime Stoppers of Chavez County. These gifts of compassion are more than learned behaviors. They were characteristics of his nature and heart for service.

Bill Golden was larger than life in much more than just stature. Despite his crusty exterior, cutting remarks, and stubbornness, there is evidence he was a loving, giving, and caring person. That evidence is the deep sorrow and pain in our hearts that his family feels from his passing. He embodied a spirit of generosity and was always the first to stretch out a helping hand. Bill loved teaching and sharing his craft of accounting. His mind was a treasure that would amaze all with “picture perfect” recollections and many times referred to himself as “the master of minutia.” Bill loved telling stories and time spent with family and friends, both old and new. Making his grandchildren laugh loudly, illuminated his world. His smile was genuine and contagious; his love boundless. We will miss Bill greatly, and he will always be in our hearts.

Those left to cherish memories of Bill include his loving wife, LaNita Golden; children: Shawna (Golden) Tindal and husband Michael of Tucson, AZ, son, Chris Howard of Foxborough, MA, stepdaughter, Brianna Ricenbaw and husband Scott of Amarillo, TX, and stepdaughter, Taralyn Hagen of Amarillo, TX; his grandchildren: Michayla, Matthew, Andrew, Kaleigh, and Rylee; siblings: Jan (Golden) Seward and husband, George of Prosper, TX, David and wife, Luann Golden of Carrollton, TX, Sammy and wife, Sara Daulong of Midland, TX, as well as his brother in spirit, Bruce and wife Wendy Burkett of San Angelo, TX.

Bill is preceded in death by his mother, Billie June Sanders Bramlett of San Angelo, TX; and his beloved grandparents: Sadie and Billy Sanders of San Angelo, TX.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Bill's honor may be made to the Roswell Humane Society or the American Cancer Society.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT 3. 1:00 PM - 6:00 PM (MT)

The Liberty
312 N. Virginia Avenue
Roswell, NM 88201

Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" R. Golden*

December 29, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Bill will always be remembered for his Infectious smile and laugh. His generosity and loyalty were unmatched. One of his greatest accomplishments was his decision to marry LaNita. Bill will be missed, but never forgotten. I am so glad that he got to meet my wife and kids, Laurie, River and Logan at his 70th birthday party. There will never be another like you Bill !*

Craig Davis

Craig Davis - September 11, 2020 at 02:26 PM



“ *I meet Bill back in 1986 at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo. He was always so nice and fun to be around. Got to enjoy the company of Bill over the years at many dinners and other events. You will be missed.*

Blair Schaffer



Blair Schaffer - September 07, 2020 at 10:50 AM

CD

“ I'll always remember Bill as a man who was loyal, true and beyond generous to his friends. Many of the things he has selflessly done for others will forever go unknown by most - exactly the way he would want it. He sought not recognition for his kindness, it was its own reward. Rest easy my friend, your fought long and well. Deepest condolences to the family.

Cory Doyal - September 07, 2020 at 10:49 AM

CO

“ I want to send Prayers to Bill's family and friends and especially to LaNita Golden and her office family has been there for her through all of this and will continue being there.



I have worked for Bill for 13 yrs. and in them 13 yrs. we have been through a lot together and he and I would fuss at each and id go back to my desk and he would too and I'm going to miss this man and I'd give anything to be able to fuss at him one more time. Bill had a 3rd line on our phone at would and that was the line he always called us on and now it feels so strange at work because we wait for that line to ring and it just doesn't ring. I know your out of pain now and just know you will be missed. R.I.P. Bill Golden 🙏🙏

Clarisa Opheim - September 04, 2020 at 09:50 PM

BD

“ Bill and I were fast friends during grade school at Santa Rita in San Angelo before I moved away. My fondest memories of Bill were the lengthy debates we had over trading baseball cards and the somewhat hilarious deals we made. I lost touch with Bill from the 70s thru 90s but we reconnected using Facebook in the 2000s and we were both ecstatic to be able to be reunited. We got to share several meals on his trips to the DFW area when he was battling cancer and I will cherish those times forever. He was like a brother to me and his absence will be difficult for me. God Bless you Bill.

Bobby DeLong - September 04, 2020 at 09:45 PM

SH

“ What a crazy ride this was. I came to Roswell in January 2019 with just a degree and no experience. Bill gifted me that experience. No words can express my feelings, but I will forever be grateful for him and his generosity. My thoughts and prayers to all his heartbroken family & friends. RIP Bill.

Sarah Hutching - September 04, 2020 at 09:28 PM

JC

“ LaNita, Shawna and family - I am saddened to learn of Bill's death. My husband Joe was a lifelong friend of Bill's. They spent many a time reminiscing about their adolescent antics and their adult business ventures. I was delighted to get to know Bill through this friendship. His heart was big and his kindness even bigger. I know he and Joe are continuing that kinship together. Blessings of peace, comfort, and love to you. Judy Cassles

Judy Cassles - September 04, 2020 at 07:46 PM



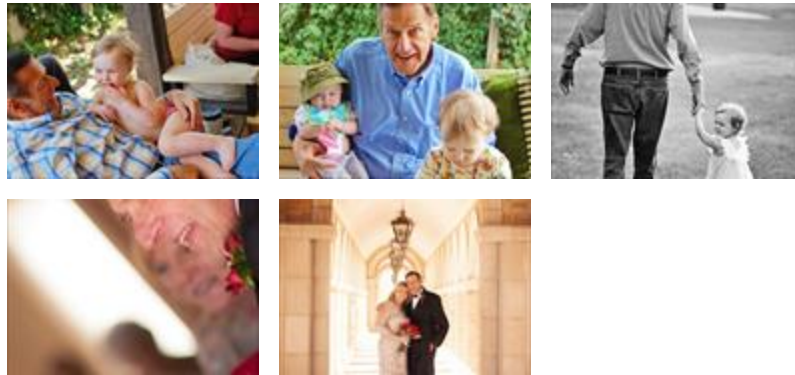
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William "Bill" R. Golden.*



September 04, 2020 at 07:37 PM



“ *5 files added to the album Memories*



shawna Golden - September 04, 2020 at 06:59 PM



“ *such a sweet man...he will be so missed. So happy he met and married the Lovely LaNita.
Bill I am so happy I met you at the fair...Please be in spirit with Ronn. Craig and the Lovely Craig's wife and me at the Tri State Fair soon. Karen Touchon*

Karen Touchon - September 02, 2020 at 08:37 PM

JE

“ My heartfelt condolences to Bill's family. I knew Bill to be a warm, kind person, often working kind deeds in the background. Those of us who knew him are better for the experience. Rest in God's arms Bill.

Jim Elliott - September 01, 2020 at 07:34 PM

VH

“ I knew Bill for many years and through my brother Ronn Wood. He was an amazing man.
Kind, Loyal, always there as close or closer than a brother. Hearing of his passing was so sad he fought a great fight for life. Hearing of his accomplishments were so interesting. I know he made a big impact on many lives and lives to come through his work. God Bless LaNita and his daughter and family. No words can tell the loss you suffer. Just know he was loved and appreciated and will be missed greatly!
Vicky Wood Harris

Vicky Wood Harris - September 01, 2020 at 02:32 PM

 Konii Thomas

“ My sincerest and deepest sympathies are with all who loved Bill (#22) .He will be so very very missed by many.
Peace,Love and Light.
~Konii~
#51

Konii Thomas - September 01, 2020 at 01:36 PM

LM

“ My prayers and condolences to Bill's family. I only met him once, but stayed connected through Ronn's AMACHRON link and emails. He was a good friend to Ronn and he will be missed.

Loretta Morales - September 01, 2020 at 01:30 PM

RW

“ *Bill Golden was one of my dearest friends for more than 50 years. He was there for me in every way a never asked for anything in return. He will be greatly missed. He cannot be replaced. The world is a sadder place without his wit, smile, and commanding voice. RIP William R.*

-Ronn Wood



Ronn Wood - September 01, 2020 at 12:30 PM