



William Paul Keller

December 22, 1948 - July 18, 2007

William Paul "Bill" Keller, 58, of Linton passed away in Ramstein, Germany on July 18, 2007.

Born December 22, 1948 in Bedford, Indiana he was the son of Paul & Susie Keller.

He was a Chief for DIL at crane working in Germany. He worked for Dick's Concrete Cutting in California for 17 years. He proudly served his country as a U.S. Marine in the Vietnam War.

Surviving relatives include his wife Marleen Keller of Boise, Idaho. 1 son of the United States Air force William E. "Billy" Keller of Wichita Falls, Texas. 2 sisters Susan Boulanger (Mike) of Linton, Indiana. & Linda Grow of Huntington Beach, California. 3 Nephews Jami Boulanger (Michelle) & Michael Boulanger Jr. both of Linton, Indiana & Jason Keller of Indianapolis, Indiana. 2 nieces Heather Grow & Amber Grow both of Huntington Beach, California. 2 Great Nephews Dusten Boulanger & Kyle Boulanger both of Linton, Indiana. 3 Great Nieces Megan Boulanger & Krysten Boulanger both of Linton, Indiana & Kaylea Grow of Huntington Beach, California. Several close friends in California.

He was preceded in death by his parents & 1 brother Michael Keller.

Graveside Services will be at 11:00 A.M. on Friday AUGUST 31, 2007 at Grandview Cemetery in Bloomfield, Indiana. Bloomfield American Legion Post #196 will do Military Graveside Service.

Tribute Wall

SC

“ A CHILDHOOD FAMILY, AND FRIENDS, REMEMBERED...

SANDRA GALLIMORE-ANN CLEMENTS - August 31, 2007 at 08:34 AM

TA

“ Our most sincere condolences to Billy Jr. and Susan, Linda and their children. We really don't know Bill, all we know is the stories we hear about him from our mom and grandparents. They have some good stories and great memories. I was just a baby when Bill left California. My brother always wanted to go to Germany, and Bill said he was more than welcome to come but he had better hurry, because he was coming home this year. My little sister got to know Bill when he was here this spring. I regret that Austin & I didn't make it up to Ornage County while he was here. We will keep you all in our prayers and again our deepest sympathy. God Bless. Love, Teddy, Austin & Lisa

Teddy,Austin&Lisa Andrews-Peach - August 22, 2007 at 11:26 PM

MK

“ If only I could have said goodbye. It's such a little word but so important when parting. We will love you and miss you forever. You are my love, my husband, my friend, and my protector. I thank you for gifting me with our wonderful son whom I see so much of you in him. Our son is strong like you are, I will find the strength and the two of us will walk through life knowing you still love us as we do you. We will all meet again. You will be in my thoughts eternally.

marleen keller - August 22, 2007 at 07:26 PM

TA

“ For all those many years Bill worked with us, every morning when he'd walk thru the door he'd say: "Hey Ted" with that cheshire cat grin he has. I'd reply: "Hey Bill" How often I think of that. Any time Bill wanted some time off or something he needed to talk to Dick about, he'd come to me so that I could talk to Dick first. It was the cutest thing. I'm sure going to miss Bill! He is our family too. My thoughts and prayers are with you all! And Bill, I'll see you when my chores are through! My love, Ted

Teddy Andrews - August 22, 2007 at 06:11 PM

DA

“ When I'd see Bill, the first thing I'd say is: "What the hell fur Bill?" LOL! When he came to Cali this spring he surprised me, when he walked in I couldn't stop giggling & saying "what the hell fur Bill" We just hugged & giggled! Gosh darn it, I'm missing him so bad! Bill ssw me through alot of stuff! He was always there for me. My brother from another mother! LOL! But seriouslasy, he is my brother, I love him! What's not to love! Bill is the salt of the earth! Well, I reckon heaven needed an angel back! But you know I'm selfish, I'm really ticked off, because I was really looking forward to him getting back to the U S of A! My heart goes out to ya all. Billy honey, I am so sorry baby! You are so right, your dad is a great man! I love you guys, I'll see you in a few. Bill, I'll see you when I get there, ready for some new stories! I love you! Till then, Merrily,Merrily,Merrily,Merrily, Life is but a dream... :) (:

Deb Andrews-Peach - August 21, 2007 at 06:45 PM

DA

“ My grandpa once told me, he said "Son, if you live to be a hundred years old and have one true friend, you are blessed!" I am a blessed man! That friend is Bill. He is more than a friend, he is a member of my family! What's more he is the little brother I never had growing up and the big brother my girls could always count on. Yes, we will miss Bill so very much! He is a great man, one to whom I trust, admire and love! I'm proud to call him my brother, my friend. Our most heart felt sympathy to Bill's son, sister's, neice's & nephews. May the Lord bless you and keep you in this time of great sorrow. Rest in the knowledge that to be absent of the body is to be present with the Lord! God Bless you all! "Hey Willy, I'll be seein ya!"

Dick Andrews - August 21, 2007 at 04:07 PM

MH

“ *Susan and Linda:*
I just learned of Billy's death. I called Sue and she didn't know he had passed either. I am so sorry we didn't know earlier. I sent Steve the information also. Sue and I plan to try to attend his memorial service. I don't know many times I have thought of the "Crane brats" over the years. Mother was so fond of all of you. From what I have read in the condolences, Billy grew into a wonderful person and father. You both have my heart-felt sympathy at this time.

Myrta Wilcox Hudson - August 20, 2007 at 04:36 PM

VH

“ My heart, prayers and sympathy goes out to all of Bill's family and those who loved and know him well. I meet Bill 28 years ago and fell in love with his smile, personality, and sense of humor. Knowing Bill he is up in heaven telling his jokes and making everyone laugh as he did down here on earth. Sue I know that Bill will be missed by all that he has touched over the years. My God Bless You All and keep you close during your time of need.
Love you all Vicki

Vicki Higgins - August 08, 2007 at 03:25 PM

BH

“ I am so sorry to hear of Bill's death. I worked with him at DRMO Crane for several years. He was a very hard worker, very intelligent and kept things light hearted. I thoroughly enjoyed working with him, and anyone who knew him, knew that Billy was his pride and joy. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Barbara (Helms) Hays - August 07, 2007 at 07:26 PM

SF

“ I cannot put into words how sorry I am to all of you who loved Bill so much. He was a wonderful husband, father, brother, uncle and friend to all who new him. No one will ever for get Bill, he will be in our heats forever. My sincere sympathy to Bill's family and especially to my best friend Susan Boulanger. All my love Shelley

Shelley Frilot - August 06, 2007 at 01:10 PM

PH

“ *What to say. I cannot put into words the sadness I feel. Bill was truly loved by all. He will be missed by all. People who didn't know Bill will miss the fantastic guy he was. The world was a better place with Bill in it Now the world will be a littler plainer and a lot more lonelier. May all of his friend and family find peace in the fact that he is happy in heaven.....*

Paul and Mickey Harnett - July 31, 2007 at 02:17 PM

MJ

“ *Words can't describe what it's like to loose the world's greatest uncle.All 33 years of my life my uncle Bill was the best uncle one could have.Everyone that new my uncle Bill loved him.Everyone that heard his jokes laughed out loud.Every memory of fishing with him I hold close to my heart.I thank God for letting me have the chance and the memories of having such a great uncle in my life.You'll be missed and loved forever and never forgotten Uncle Bill "Love your nephew forever Michael"*

michael boulanger jr - July 30, 2007 at 07:54 PM

HG

“ *I learned a lot from Uncle Bill. He always had a story to share. I have no idea how any one person can remember so much history. And what a sense of humor. He did a real good job of trying to keep it clean for my sister and me too. Last year we shared many adventures in Europe. He showed us Germany and then we took him to Great Britain to show him the sights and visit my friend in Wales. We had a great time in Britain but were all eager to get back to Germany where they spoke real English. :) I'll miss Uncle Bill but I know that we will swap stories and have more adventures someday.*

Heather Grow - July 30, 2007 at 03:27 PM

WK

“ *My father is the best man I've ever known. He was the first to work in the morning, and the last one gone. He was the first to lend a helping hand in any situation, big or small. His jokes and wit could turn the most awkward moments, into a priceless memory. Over the years he has given so much wisdom to all of us, and one could only try, to fill the enormous footsteps of my father.*

His service to his country was a huge judge of character in itself. He served in a time when no one else was willing to, in our nation's toughest and most honorable branch. His dedication to the service was only outdone by his dedication to family. Family was/is and always will be the most important thing in anyone's life. Money, material belongings, or a successful job, all mean nothing if you have no one to share it with. He knew this, and he cherished it, always and forever.

From his work ethic, his sense of morality, and even his service to his country, any person that knew my father knew he was something special. A role model for all, and an inspiration to many, my father, William Paul Keller

William E. Keller - July 29, 2007 at 02:33 PM

AA

“ *I send my sympathy to you all. I was a classmate of Bill's. Ann Workman Armstrong*

Ann Workman Armstrong - July 28, 2007 at 08:17 AM

JF

“ *We were so sorry to hear of Bill's death. He was a good friend and classmate. Our hearts and prayers are with you.*

Jim and Susan Feutz - July 27, 2007 at 06:40 PM

RG

“ My condolences to Bill's wife and family and friends. So sorry to hear about this. Class of '66.

Ruth Henderson Gwaltney - July 27, 2007 at 04:20 PM

CD

“ I was so saddened to hear of Bill's passing. I have wonderful memories of him when he lived here in Bloomfield. He was such a sweet, kind hearted man. Always had a big smile on his face. My deepest sympathy to the family.

Carolyn (Hansford) Dillman - July 26, 2007 at 07:11 PM

AG

“ Uncle Bill introduced me to my first scary movie while babysitting me and my sister when we were way too young. I'll forever associate "Prom Night" and uncle Bill. When I would visit his house by the Santa Anita race track in California, his dog Sarge would pay me way too much attention. I know that they are together again and that makes me happy.

Visiting Germany last year and spending 3 weeks with Uncle Bill and Billie was probably the best trip and experience I have ever had. Uncle Bill was so welcoming and so loving in his soft way. My daughter Kaylea instantly fell inlove with Uncle Bill. She wanted to be wherever he was at all times. I'm so glad that I will have those memories and will treasure them always

Amber Grow - July 26, 2007 at 04:11 PM

LG

“ Since we were little, my brother Bill has been my hero. Because he was my brother, nobody ever picked on me on the playground, or anywhere, and I always felt safe when he was around. He was always the leader when we had adventures (we had lots) and he would always be the one with the best idea of what we should do and where we could go to have the most fun. He made everything fun, everything. To me he was always brave and smart and strong and kind and funny and he always will be. I love him more than ever and know that he still watches over me and all those he loves. I feel honored to call him my brother. I have faith that I will see him again, that our family will all be together again, someday.

linda keller grow - July 26, 2007 at 03:09 PM

SB

“ Bill was my brother and he was more like a big brother than my younger brother. Bill brightened my life for 58 years and we had such a special bond, our hearts are hurting and no can take that away we have so many good memories I don't know of anyone who didn't love him now that both of our brothers are gone all Linda and I have are our memories and they are wonderful. I know Bill left a lot of memories I don't know anyone who didn't love to be around him with his jokes and laughter and that is what we all as a family and friends will always remember about him. I'm going to miss him but I know he took with him a piece of all our hearts, I know he is in heaven with our Mom, Dad, and brother Michael and that is what keeps us going and someday we will all be together again. Susan

Susan Boulanger - July 25, 2007 at 08:10 PM

RB

“ My sincere sympathy goes to Bill's wife, son & family. Linda & Jason, I'm so sorry for your loss. I'll always remember Bill as one of the nicest guys in our class. It was a priviledge to know him & to be his classmate.

Rosemary Allen Biggs - July 25, 2007 at 06:52 PM

GP

“ William Paul Keller

George L. Poe - July 25, 2007 at 05:37 PM

KV

“ Dan and I well never forget Bill for his great smile, love for his family and friends, we are blessed to have know him. We well miss seeing him, but he'll forever be in our thoughts and heart. Bill we love you. Your Friends, Karen and Dan

Karen Velasquez - July 25, 2007 at 12:36 PM

MB

“ My Uncle Bill brought laughter and love to many people. He cared for everyone. There wasn't 10 minutes that went by that my Uncle Bill wasn't telling a joke. He was the highlight to everyone's day. He is going to be dearly missed by all.-Megan

Megan Boulanger - July 24, 2007 at 09:25 PM

SL

“ Jason I hated to hear about the loss of your uncle. My thoughts & prayers are with you and your family.

Stephanie (White) Lagenour - July 24, 2007 at 05:19 PM

JB

“ There was no man more honest, loving, caring, friendly, outgoing, funny, and full of life, than my Uncle Bill. The extreme sense of loss felt by so many, can not be put into words. Not a day will go by, that he is not in my heart, or thoughts.

Jami

Jami Boulanger - July 24, 2007 at 02:33 PM