



## Billy "Bill" Beryl Wright

March 21, 1926 - May 29, 2024

Billy "Bill" Beryl Wright, age 98, of Grand Island, passed away Wednesday, May 29, 2024. He lived independently until the spring of 2024 when he moved to the Grand Island Veterans Medical Center, the same building he worked in after receiving his college degree nearly 70 years ago.

The Celebration of Life Service will be held on June 12th at 1pm at All Faiths Funeral Home with Dan Naranjo officiating. Please wear casual clothes. The service will be livestreamed on the funeral home website. There will be no visitation. Interment with full military honors will take place at the Grand Island City Cemetery. Memorials are suggested to the Grand Island Veterans Medical Center. Condolences can be left at [www.giallfaiths.com](http://www.giallfaiths.com).

Bill was born in South Dakota to Edgar Gordon and Maude Beryl Wright. He graduated from Maysville, MO High School. In 1943, after graduation, he enlisted in the United States Air Force and was honorably discharged in 1948.

Bill was united in marriage to Hildegard "Hilde" Frank on August 21, 1948 in Wiesbaden, Germany. They were blessed with five children.

Bill went to William Jewell College in Liberty, MO. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree there. He worked in Kansas City for USPS while attending college as well as The General Motors auto assembly plant.

In 1956, Bill moved the family to Grand Island, where he had received a job offer from the Veterans Hospital.

He was instrument in starting the community college system. He served on the supervising council at Hastings Community College.

In 1980, he began his community service career. He was elected to the Grand Island City Council and served as its president. He was elected Mayor, and also served when elected as a Hall County Supervisor some years later.

He was a proud World War Two veteran and honored to be on Hall County's first Hero Flight to Washinton, D.C.

Bill is survived by his children, Ed (Jan) Wright of Lincoln, Renate Stanton (Bill Nicholl) of Ft. Collins, CO, Gary (Lynn) Wright of Oshkosh, WI, Robert Wright of the Philippines, and Patricia (Kirk) Stewart of Redlands, CA; grandchildren, Jami Wright of Lincoln, Wendi (Mark) Anderson of Lincoln, William Stanton and Jackie Stanton of Fort Collins, CO, Hanni (Ryan) McNellis of Denver, CO, Asia Fajardo-Diamond (Nick Diamond) of Westminster, CO, and Bobi Zoffia & Rumi Wright of the Philippines; and great grandchildren, Austin, Grayson, Timley, Zander, Theo and Gabriella; sister, Elizabeth Rozell of Oklahoma and other relatives and friends.

Bill is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Hilde; 1 half-sister and 2 half-brothers.

The family would especially like to thank Dr. Jennifer King and staff for the outstanding care they gave to our dad. We would also like to recognize Betty Traxler for all her assistance to dad in his later years.



# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

JUN 12. 1:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall



“ All Faiths Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Billy "Bill" Beryl Wright



All Faiths Funeral Home - June 12, 2024 at 11:41 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Billy "Bill" Beryl Wright.



June 07, 2024 at 02:27 PM



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June 06, 2024 at 09:25 AM