



William "Bill" Neid

August 22, 1952 - May 27, 2025

William "Bill" Neid, 72, of Grand Island, Nebraska, passed away peacefully with family by his side after a short battle with cancer on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, leaving behind a legacy of love, strength and community.

To honor Bill's wishes, there will be a private family graveside service held at a later date at Westlawn Memorial Park Cemetery. All Faiths Funeral Home is serving the family.

Bill was born on August 22, 1952, in Grand Island, to Edward and Gertrude (Baker) Neid. He was a proud graduate of Grand Island Senior High School, Class of 1970. While finishing high school, he received a letter from Tom Osborne to walk on for the NE football team. However, he made the decision to attend Wayne State College, where he played defensive lineman for the Wildcats and earned the distinction of being the college's first-ever Homecoming King – a title he wore proudly.

After college, he continued his love of sports and played for the Grand Island Rugby Club. He proudly represented his hometown in England. In his later years, Bill also enjoyed a round of golf. If you knew Bill, he was a devoted NE football fan, never missing a game and cheering on the Huskers.

Bill had a passion for history and reading throughout his life. He enjoyed road trips to historical sites and nature walks in Nebraska.

He was employed by the United States Postal Service for three decades before retiring.

He was united in marriage to Sherry K. Neid on December 3, 1983, in Grand Island, NE, where they made their home. He happily took on the role of a father to Sherry's three boys, Mike, Jamie, and Bob.

Bill was deeply loved by his family and will be remembered for his kindness, humor and loyalty.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Sherry (Vilas) Neid; and his cherished children, Michael and Maureen Duff and their children, Jack and Molly Duff, and James and Rachael Duff and their children, Riley and Dewey Duff.

He is also survived by his brothers, Edward Neid, Fredrick and Thoma Neid, James and Patty Neid, Patrick Neid; and sister, Catherin Neid Wendt and her husband, Wesley Wendt; and several very special nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents; and son, Robert "Bob" Duff in 2018.

Bill's memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved him.

Online remembrances may be left at www.gjallfaiths.com.

Tribute Wall

SG

“ Sue G. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William "Bill" Neid.

Sue G. - July 14, 2025 at 11:34 AM

SN

“ My Uncle Bill was a lovely man, always smiling. We will all have to work hard to replace the light he was in this world. RIP



Stephanie Neid - June 28, 2025 at 04:40 PM

CN

“ Indeed, what a great man. As my 'uncle Bill' he played a significant role in forming my definition and model for being a great and loving person. His memories will be forever with me. Craig Neid

Craig Neid - June 03, 2025 at 12:09 PM

CN

“ 1 file added to the album Family Photos



Craig Neid - June 03, 2025 at 12:07 PM

BS

“ Lived across from Bill on Cherry St. Played many a baseball game with Bill and his brothers on their homemade baseball field located on the northwest part of their property. Thoughts and prayers go out to you, Sherry, and the Neid family.

Ben Stump - June 03, 2025 at 10:52 AM

MB

“ So sorry for your loss. Sending healing prayers.

Mike and Marcee Bogan - June 03, 2025 at 09:53 AM

MB

“ Marcee B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William "Bill" Neid.

Marcee B. - June 03, 2025 at 09:47 AM

TL

“ I am extremely sad to learn of Bill's passing. I will keep him and all our family members in my prayers.
Your Cousin,
Grant Lien

Thomas Grand Lien - June 02, 2025 at 11:07 PM

MT

“ Kathy and Wes, and Sherry. I just read that Bill just passed away and I'm very sorry for your loss. Even though I didn't know Bill, his passing brought wonderful memories of my special neighbors Kathy and Wes and family. Marge

Marge Terman - May 31, 2025 at 11:04 AM

GH

“ Sherry, I was saddened to read of Bill's death. He was a great guy.
Gordon Hrnicek

Gordon Hrnicek - May 31, 2025 at 10:50 AM

TM

“ Sorry for your family's loss Jamie.
Tracey Moritz

Tracey Moritz - May 31, 2025 at 09:13 AM

TA

“ What a great man. Grew up next door neighbors on St. Paul rd. My
prayers to the family . Rest in peace my friend

Terry Andersonterry031 - May 30, 2025 at 11:05 AM