



Rev. William "Bill" Ernest Morris

December 2, 1948 - May 23, 2018

Rev. William "Bill" Ernest Morris, age 69 years, a resident of Carterville, Illinois since December 2016 and a former resident of Elgin, passed away Wednesday evening, May 23, 2018, at 11:32 PM at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale.

Bill was born December 2, 1948 in Pana, Illinois. He was the son of Ernest Morris and Madeline (Coonce) Morris.

On March 11, 1977, Bill was united in marriage to Lois Ann Grant in the parsonage of the United Pentecostal Church in Downer's Grove. She survives.

In addition to his wife, Bill is survived by: a brother – Mark D. (his wife, Janice) Morris of Republic, Missouri; a sister-in-law – Betty Nell Grant of Goreville; a niece, 2 great nephews and a great niece.

In addition to his parents, Bill was preceded in death by a nephew.

Bill was a 1967 graduate of Pana High School. He also was a graduate of the Indiana Bible College correspondence program. Bill served as the pastor for 5 years at the United Pentecostal Church in Elgin, IL (UPCI). He was a faithful and devoted Christian and loved to attend church and study the Bible. Since

their return to Southern Illinois, Bill and Lois have worshipped at the Apostolic House of Worship in Marion.

Bill was employed for several years as a supervisor and foreman at K.A. Steel in Lamont. He was also a licensed barber. Bill had worked as a barber in Decatur and later owned and operated his own business, Bill's Barber Shop, in Aurora, South Elgin and Elgin, Illinois.

Bill enjoyed collecting eagle figurines.

A service honoring the life of William Ernest Morris will be held Sunday afternoon, May 27, 2018 at 1:30 PM at the First Pentecostal Church, 915 North Broadway Street, Goreville, Illinois 62939. Burial will be in the Cana Cemetery north of Goreville.

Visitation will be held Saturday, May 26, 2018, from 4 PM – 7 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna and from 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM Sunday at the First Pentecostal Church in Goreville.

Memorials may be made to the United Pentecostal Church (Home Mission Fund), c/o UPCI World Headquarters, 36 Research park Court, Weldon Springs, Missouri 63304.

Cemetery Details

Cana Cemetery

Goreville, IL 62939

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 26. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
705 North First Street
PO Box 695
Vienna, IL 62995
(618) 658-2311
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com
<https://baileyfh.com>

Visitation

MAY 27. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

First Pentecostal Church
915 North Broadway Street
Goreville, IL

Service

MAY 27. 1:30 PM (CT)

First Pentecostal Church
915 North Broadway Street
Goreville, IL

Luncheon

MAY 27. 3:30 PM (CT)

First Pentecostal Church
915 North Broadway Street
Goreville, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Rev. William "Bill" Ernest Morris*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *So sorry to hear about Bro. Morris,
You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Sis. Sharon White*

Sharon White - May 30, 2018 at 04:33 PM



“ *Beverly Barry lit a candle in memory of Rev.
William "Bill" Ernest Morris*



Beverly Barry - May 27, 2018 at 08:03 PM



“ *Years ago I went to Bro. Morris' church in Elgin IL. He was always
kind, gentlehearted and caring. May you enjoy your eternal life with
Jesus. He was a good man of God.*

Ryan - May 27, 2018 at 07:26 PM



*I went to Bro Morris in Elgin for several years. Bro Morris was a great
pastor. I Believe Bro Morris is in heaven*

Beverly Barry - May 27, 2018 at 07:37 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. William "Bill" Ernest Morris.*



May 25, 2018 at 03:49 PM



“ *Nancy & Ray Breeden lit a candle in memory of Rev. William "Bill" Ernest Morris*



Nancy & Ray Breeden - May 24, 2018 at 08:23 PM



*Lois Ann you are in our thoughts and prayers. So sorry for your loss.
Nancy (Paxton) Breeden*

Nancy & Ray Breeden - May 24, 2018 at 08:24 PM



“ *Tom And Carmen Murrie lit a candle in memory of Rev. William "Bill" Ernest Morris*



Tom and Carmen Murrie - May 24, 2018 at 08:56 AM



Our thoughts and prayers go out for Sis. Morris and all family. We sure enjoyed his preaching and he will be greatly missed. May all of you feel God's love, comfort, and peace during this difficult time.

Tom and Carmen Murrie - May 24, 2018 at 08:59 AM