



William E. Love

June 27, 1928 - January 21, 2019

Obituary

William “Bud” Love passed away peacefully on January 21, 2019. He was born June 27, 1928 in Baxter Springs, KS to Theodore and Christine Hardiman Love. Visitation will be at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, February 1st at Ebenezer AME Church, 3808 Emanuel Cleaver II Boulevard, Kansas City, MO with service following at 11:00 a.m. Burial will be in Odessa, MO at the Odessa Cemetery. William received his formal education in the Baxter Springs school system and later moved to Wichita, where he joined the United States Army. During his two years in the Army, William was stationed at many bases including Fort Hood, TX, Fort Bliss, GA, and in Alabama. It was in Alabama where William was exposed to boxing. He joined the Army’s boxing team to learn the fundamentals and train for events. After being honorably discharged from the Army as a Corporal in January, 1953, William moved to Kansas City where he met Melvina Nelson and married her five months later; a marriage that lasted over 65 years. In the early years of their marriage William boxed professionally in the Midwest. He later worked for Manor Bakers for 25 years until his retirement. William was a very active man and enjoyed being with people. After his retirement he took up bowling professionally and toured the country playing in bowling tournaments and winning many trophies. It was at one of his tournaments where he got the nickname “Bud”. Some say he was named after the beer and some say he was a buddy to everyone. Bud had a Volkswagon named “The Love Bug” in which he and his wife Melvina traveled

every state in the U.S. at least twice. In his later years after retiring from bowling, Bud and Melvina enjoyed traveling to Colorado to visit his sister Barbara and her family. William is preceded in death by his parents Theodore Love and Christine Love-Brinkley, sister Barbara, and brothers Herbert, Bobby and Vernon Brinkley. Left to cherish his memory are his wife Melvina, brother-in-law William Nelson, Jr., a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends. Yes, we loved him, but God loves him best. Memorial gifts may be made to Ebenezer AME Church, 3808 Emanuel Cleaver II Boulevard, Kansas City, MO 64130. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Friday, February 1, 2019 at Ebenezer AME 3808 Cleaver II Boulevard KCMO 64130. Visitation 10:00 A.M. Interment Odessa, Missouri

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Tribute Wall

LG

“ It saddens me to learn the loss of my Grandpa before my birthday...
I wish I had the opportunity to say goodbye . I'm heart broken....
Rest In Paradise Grandpa 🍀💙

La'Nay Green - November 22, 2020 at 09:10 PM

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“ I will forever miss my daddy!!

Tish Love - November 21, 2020 at 01:19 PM

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“ A MONET'S GARDEN TABLE BASKET was sent on January 31,
2019 With sincere sympathy to Melvina and Michael and the rest of
the family. Bud will be missed.
Much love,
Marcia Corbett

Expression of Sympathy - January 31, 2019 at 02:06 PM

MW

“ A candle was lit in remembrance

Michael Wilkerson - January 30, 2019 at 02:22 PM

WB

“ Mike I'm sorry for the loss of Bud. He was a wonderful person a
helped everyone.

Willa Burch-Jones (cousin of Melvina & Billi) - January 30, 2019 at 09:49 AM

MW

“ Thanks, I had my uncle in my life for over 50 years of great memories, many other friends and family members also have loving lasting memories. The family of William “Bud” Love

Michael E. Wilkerson - January 28, 2019 at 02:10 PM

BR

“ I'm very sorry to hear about your loss. Losing a loved one in death is such a difficult thing to cope with. My heart goes out to the family and friends of William during this time. Cherish the memories. Please find comfort in knowing that God views death as an "enemy" and will act to end it forever (1st Cor 15:26). God's Word also promises a time in the future where we can all have a hope of seeing our dead loved ones again (John 5:28,29). A beautiful hope. Take care.

Brandon - January 26, 2019 at 07:43 PM

BN

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I too have recently lost my loved one in death. This loss can be so overwhelming. Fortunately, I found comfort in God's promise that one day I would see my dear loved one again. (John 5:28,29) May God give you the peace & comfort you need at this difficult time. (Philippians 4:6,7).

Brenda N. - January 25, 2019 at 06:38 PM