



The Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne

June 23, 1936 - April 3, 2022

The Honorable William "Bill" Scott Horne of Easton, MD, died at his home on Sunday, April 3, 2022. He was 85.

Born in Easton, MD, on June 23, 1936, he was the only son of Davis B. and Lillias T. (née Hale) Horne.

After graduating from The Bolles Academy in Jacksonville, FL, Bill served in the US Army from 1957 – 1959 where he was stationed at Ft. Sam Houston in San Antonio, TX, before being honorably discharged. Following his military service, Bill married the late Sue Wren Horne on September 10, 1960. Following their marriage, Bill attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute earning his Bachelor's Degree, and then attended Tulane University School of Law and received his Juris Doctor degree in 1965.

Bill and Sue then moved to Easton, MD, where, while working as a probation officer, Bill was admitted to the Maryland Bar in 1966. He then went on to serve as the Talbot County Assistant State's Attorney and then as the Talbot County State's Attorney. While serving his community through his private practice, Bill was appointed to the Maryland House of Delegates in 1973 and continued to serve until 1989. During this time, among other accomplishments he served as the Chair of the Eastern Shore Delegation, Chair of the Judiciary Committee and Chair of Joint Oversight Committee, on Juvenile Services

Initiative.

In 1989, Bill was appointed to the Talbot County Circuit Court where he served until his retirement in 2005. Following his retirement, Bill continued to sit as a retired judge until 2020. During his time as Circuit Court Judge, Bill was instrumental in bringing CASA to Talbot County and the Mid-Shore, serving as its President. One of his joys was assisting children during their adoption process, and he found it especially rewarding to preside over adoption hearings and loved taking pictures with the families.

Bill served on the Vestry of Christ Church and the Board of the Waterfowl Festival. He was a member of the Talbot Country Club, Easton Rotary, and Easton Elks Lodge 1622, and a faithful attendee of his Friday night poker group. Bill loved to travel, and with Sue at his side, traveled to all 50 states and around the world.

Bill is survived by his daughters, Linda Prochaska and her husband Val, of Easton, and Amy Horne and her husband Ernie Rowe, of Easton; two grandchildren, Conor Prochaska and Mary Carroll Prochaska; and several nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his longtime companion, Kitty Ball.

Along with his parents, Bill is predeceased by his wife of 46 years, Sue Wren Horne, as well as his son, William Scott Horne II.

The family will receive friends at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Easton on Friday, April 8, from 11am until 2pm. They will also receive guests from 5pm until 7pm in the lobby of The Shireton, 117 E. Dover Street, Easton. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, April 9, 2022, at 11am at Christ Church, 111 S. Harrison Street, Easton MD, with a reception to follow at the Avalon Theatre. Interment at Woodlawn Memorial Park will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in Bill's memory to Partners in Care Mid-Shore, 8694 Commerce Drive #1, Easton, MD 21601, or CASA of Caroline County, 114 Market Street, Ste 100, Denton, MD 21629.

To view the live stream of Bill's services, please use one of the links below:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/christchurcheastonmd>

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKpEQcsMMIxFA_w9T94-SsQ

Cemetery Details

Woodlawn Memorial Park

11365 Ocean Gateway
Easton, MD 21601

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 8. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home
200 S. Harrison Street
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EASTON, MD 21601

Visitation

APR 8. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

The Lobby of The Shireton
117 East Dover Street
Easton, MD 21601

Church Service

APR 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ Church
111 Harrison St.
Easton, MD 21601

Tribute Wall



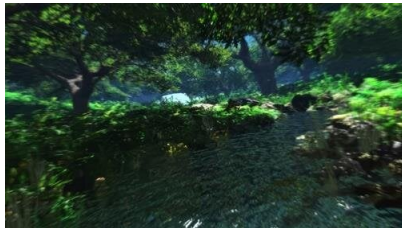
“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - April 08, 2022 at 10:28 AM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - April 07, 2022 at 06:53 PM



“ *The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *To Bill's family, I was saddened to read the death notice in The Baltimore Sun. I remember his warm smile and friendly nature. He was supportive and helpful to this City judge, and I am grateful to call him a friend. When we met at conferences and continuing education programs, we talked about family and mutual concerns about work. I send my deep sympathy.*

*Sincerely,
Kathleen O'Ferrall Friedman
Circuit Court for Baltimore City (Ret.)*

Kathleen O'Ferrall Friedman - April 11, 2022 at 02:56 PM



“ *Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne*



Lynda Palmatary - April 11, 2022 at 09:15 AM



“ *I remember Bill mostly from my childhood days in Elk Creek, Virginia. I regret that our paths in this life didn't cross more often but was always happy when they did. I know the world's a better place for him having been here.*

Scott Beatty - April 09, 2022 at 11:32 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne.*



April 08, 2022 at 01:40 PM



“ *I was lucky enough to go to Annapolis with Judge Horne when I was a senior in school. He took so many kids over the years. What a great experience. He told us from day one. Our job was to make sure we had gas in the car, and to never take the last soda from his fridge in his office.*

He did so many great things for Talbot County and Maryland. May you rest in peace sir.

Alicia Summers - April 07, 2022 at 12:58 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne.*



April 07, 2022 at 10:16 AM

JT

“ I remember Bill visiting us when we were kids. We played outside and he had his bow & arrow- thought it was fun to shoot it straight up in the air! He almost got hit when it came back down. That put a stop to it ! a really good memory was his visit last summer with Amy. We took them on a tour of the ATN mountains and Sevierville. we all enjoyed that and hoped we could do it again but time ran out for us. I will really miss him!

Jessica Treece - April 06, 2022 at 01:12 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne.



April 06, 2022 at 12:49 PM

MR

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to Linda & Val and all of her family. I've heard so many wonderful stories and memories while working with Linda and it's as if I knew him. So sorry for your loss but so happy he made a difference in so many people's lives. And a Virginia Tech grad I saw as well!



Marilou&Mike Russ - April 06, 2022 at 12:24 PM

AG

“ Judge Horne, meant more to me than can possibly be known.
Forever Grateful for his honorable deeds.



Alida E Greenhalgh - April 06, 2022 at 12:03 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of The.
Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne.



April 06, 2022 at 09:04 AM

JB

“ Janine&Keith Benefiel lit a candle in memory
of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne



Janine&Keith Benefiel - April 05, 2022 at 05:23 PM

MB

“ Mary Baker lit a candle in memory of The.
Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne



Mary Baker - April 05, 2022 at 04:56 PM

AB

“ Agnes Blades lit a candle in memory of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne



Agnes Blades - April 05, 2022 at 10:36 AM

GB

“ Our thoughts and prayers 🙏🙏 to Judge Horne's family and Aunt Kitty for the loss of such a great person. Judge Horne will surely be missed by everyone who was fortunate enough to know him.



George and Cathy Ball

George Ball - April 05, 2022 at 10:34 AM

MM

“ I knew Bill thru my 21 yr tenure with Easton Police Dept. He was always a fair and understanding person. Had a great sense of humor. Going to be missed by many. Condolences to the family and the whole community that had the honor to know and work with him.

Mel Marshall - April 05, 2022 at 08:17 AM

CP

“ Carol Prettyman lit a candle in memory of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne



Carol Prettyman - April 05, 2022 at 07:51 AM

PF

“ *Bill lived a full life and played an important role in the community for a great many years. My thoughts and prayers are with Linda, Amy, Kitty and the family.*



Phil Foster - April 05, 2022 at 04:09 AM

LM

“ *Lynn Leonhardt Mielke lit a candle in memory of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne*



Lynn Leonhardt Mielke - April 04, 2022 at 09:40 PM

JS

“ *Jeanette Stubbs lit a candle in memory of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne*



Jeanette Stubbs - April 04, 2022 at 09:25 PM

June Shortall

“ *June Shortall lit a candle in memory of The. Hon. William "Bill" Scott Horne*



June Shortall - April 04, 2022 at 05:21 PM