



William Austin Davis

April 23, 1942 - July 2, 2019

William (Bill) Austin Davis, age 77, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, July 2, at the University of Maryland Medical Center in Easton, MD, in the presence of Dotte Davis, his loving wife, and Daniel and William Davis, his sons.

The son of E. Austin and Lucile B. Davis, he was born on April 23, 1942, in Washington DC. He was a 1960 graduate of Walter Johnson High School in Bethesda, MD, where he grew up. As a youth, he played with the Washington, DC, Police Boys Band. He also performed with the Metronotes, a Metropolitan Methodist Church band that performed for the Red Cross at senior facilities, St. Elizabeth Hospital, and the Home for the Incurables. He was first chair first trumpet throughout high school in the concert band and served in the same capacity in the Maryland State High School Band. He attended the University of Maryland, where he was a member of its swim team. He also honored his country by serving proudly in the US Marine Corps.

Throughout his life, he gave back to and entertained his community as an outstanding trumpeter. He also entertained throughout the Washington, DC area, and was cited for his trumpet performances by then Vice President of the United States, Hubert Humphrey. He attained Realtor Emeritus, from a career in selling and developing residential and marina properties. He truly honored and cared for all those he worked with and managed.

He was a passionate and avid sportsman – fishing, football, and baseball among his favorites. A large part of his joy came from coaching and cheering on his two boys and being present for all of their sports endeavors. He thoroughly enjoyed boating and fishing and captained many trips for family and friends, including organizing trips for the Benedictine School of Ridgley, MD. We're so grateful as a family for this passion that persists as a result of his life. A Christian his entire life, one of his favorite verses in this uncertain world, Proverbs 3:5, has now become a certainty.

Bill is survived by his wife, Dotte; sons, Daniel and William Davis; their spouses; six grandchildren; a sister, Nancy Babb; and a brother, Bruce Davis.

He was preceded in death by his parents, E. Austin and Lucile B. Davis.

His close family will celebrate his life in private. The family has designated Bryan Brothers Foundation (www.shorekids.org or PO Box 973 Easton, MD 21601) for memorial contributions in Bill's honor.

Tribute Wall



“ *I send my deepest condolences to the family of Mr Davis. May God bring peace and comfort to you as you endure your loss.* ”

M. Jones - May 10, 2024 at 04:20 PM



“ *William Austin Davis* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *William Austin Davis* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *William Austin Davis* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Patricia Teale lit a candle in memory of William Austin Davis* ”



Patricia Teale - July 26, 2019 at 10:24 AM

KL

“ *With surprise and deep sadness I learned of Bill’s passing. Throughout our lives we meet many people but few who impact our lives. Bill was one of those special people that made a huge difference in my life. Working together for many years in the marina business, Bill had an uncanny sense of wit and humor. I feel so blessed to have had that opportunity. Together we shared times of getting my jeep stuck in mud above the axels on a marina project to being on the flybridge of the Navy Flyer with Bill blasting his trumpet while Les Kahn was singing New York, New York! So many more memories! Prayers go out to Dotte and their sons and beautiful families. Bill, aka BAD, will be sorely missed by those who loved him. He will always remain very special to those whose lives he touched!*

Klaus Liebig - July 12, 2019 at 08:07 AM

SM

“ *Skip McAuliffe lit a candle in memory of William Austin Davis*



Skip McAuliffe - July 10, 2019 at 01:16 PM

LS

“ Dottie , was very sorry to learn of this news and know that Larry , Jan and Andrea are praying for you and asking God to give you HIS PEACE THAT GOES BEYOND ALL OUR UNDERSTANDING!!!

We have many Precious Memories to us working with Bill in many Projects that you too were invoked as you know !!! Many smiles and laughs as we all labored together !!!

It will not be long now and as Promised by God's Word and we shall all join him at the The Feet of Jesus !!!

PRAYING FOR YOU SIS !!!

Larry W. Smith

Larry W. Smith. - July 10, 2019 at 07:04 AM

LW

“ *Laura Walters lit a candle in memory of William Austin Davis*



Laura Walters - July 08, 2019 at 02:41 PM

FH

“ *Was introduced to Bill at a Jam Session at the Kent Island Yacht Club in 1998. Got to know and respect Bill while playing many "gigs" over the years we lived on the Eastern Shore. He was a truly unique and generous person that Bonnie and I came to know and enjoy being with. Our heartfelt condolences to Dotte and the entire family. We all will miss him.*

Fred Hughes - July 07, 2019 at 11:09 AM

RB

I've owned property at Tilghman on Cheseapeake for nearly 20 years and met Bill early on. We would often chat when I would see him at the Yacht Club. He was a quick wit and affable guy. RIP Bill

Randy Di Bernardo - July 08, 2019 at 01:50 PM

CS

“ *Charles Schneider lit a candle in memory of William Austin Davis*



Charles Schneider - July 06, 2019 at 06:31 PM

CL

“ *Cheryl & Michael Lawrence lit a candle in memory of William Austin Davis*



Cheryl & Michael Lawrence - July 05, 2019 at 07:18 PM



“ *Pamela Morgan lit a candle in memory of William Austin Davis*



Pamela Morgan - July 04, 2019 at 07:49 AM