



William Edwin Pierce Jr.

December 6, 1932 - December 24, 2014

William Edwin Pierce Jr., 82 of Clayton, DE, died on Christmas Eve at Nanticoke Memorial Hospital in Seaford, DE, very peacefully with loved ones present.

Bill was born on December 6, 1932, at his parents' home in Arden, DE, to Mildred Cannon Pierce and W. "Eddie" Pierce. He attended the Arden School and Richardson Park School until moving to Clayton, DE, at age 11, when his parents purchased the 60-acre farm which remained Bill's home until his passing.

After attending school in Smyrna, Bill was eager to earn a living. Working at Latex "now known as Playtex" and Tyler Refrigeration in his early years, he had a keen business sense and a strong desire to be an entrepreneur. In 1969, Bill established Pierce Fence Company on North Dupont Highway in Dover that continues to be owned and operated by the Pierce family. Following retirement in 1990, Bill led an active life by building a few homes himself, tending to his vegetable gardens, tobacco plants and chickens, rolling dice at the craps tables at Dover Downs and most importantly, embracing every available moment with his family and his very dear friends.

Bill's wisdom, affinity for facts and figures, unrivaled sense of humor, and ability to laugh and perform practical jokes until the very end will leave him

missed by so many. His gift of priceless memories, however, will always remain.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by one sister, Betty DiAngelo and his eldest son, William E. Pierce III.

Bill is survived by two sons, Robert Pierce of Clayton, DE, Bruce Pierce of Millington, MD; two daughters, Lori Manning of Sudlersville, MD, Ursula Gardener of Seaford, DE, in addition to a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A visitation will be held Tuesday, December 30, 2014, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home 370 Cypress St. in Millington, MD. Services will begin at 2 p.m. Interment will follow services in Sudlersville Cemetery in Sudlersville, MD.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be sent to Meals on Wheels Delaware, 100 West 10th St., Suite 207, Wilmington, DE, 19801.

Cemetery Details

Sudlersville Cemetery

Sudlersville, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 30. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Fellows Family Funeral Home
370 West Cypress Street
Millington, MD 21651
(410) 928-5311
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Service

DEC 30. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *William Edwin Pierce Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *William Edwin Pierce Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *William Edwin Pierce Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Bob, I was so sorry to hear about your Dad's passing on Christmas Eve. He was a class act and I know you and your family will miss him very much. He was very lucky to have a son that watched over him and loved him the way you did. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Carol Barrett - December 29, 2014 at 10:19 PM



“ *Bob, Bruce and Lori Thinking of you during this difficult time. Blessings to each of you and your families ! Take care, Shirley Haymaker*



Shirley Haymaker - December 29, 2014 at 10:05 PM



“ *Bob,*

You and your family have my sincere condolences and deepest sympathy at the passing of your beloved father.

*God Bless,
Dr. Bob Pratt*

Robert Pratt - December 29, 2014 at 06:00 PM

JB

“ *What a great guy. I'll always remember my first trip to Atlantic City with him, dancing at the top of the Sheraton and soooo many more. Condolences to the family. God has gotten another good one!*



Jo Bergold - December 29, 2014 at 05:37 PM

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“ *We are thinking and praying for you guys. You have our deepest sympathies. The Winegardner Family*

Winegardner - December 29, 2014 at 02:14 PM