



William Stanley Sutton

August 21, 1933 - February 15, 2024

William Stanley Sutton of Chestertown, MD passed away on Thursday, Feb 15, 2024 at Compass Regional Hospice in Centreville, MD. He was 90.

“Bill” was born Aug 21, 1933 in Chestertown, MD during a hurricane. He was the son of the late Stanley B. and Helen Shriley Sutton. He was a 1951 graduate of Chestertown High School and was in the first class to graduate under the 12 year program. Bill was a lifetime resident of Chestertown and lived in the same house his entire life. In 1956 he married the late Ann Walls and started a family together.

Bill spent his life working as a dairy farmer continuing the family business and was very involved in the agricultural industry as well as being a very active member of his community. In 1951 he received the National 4-H Dairy Award and the following year received the National 4-H Soil Conservation Award. In the late 60's he was the 4-H All Star Big Chief. In 1962 he was the Supervisor of the Kent Soil Conservation District for 28 years and served as the president for 25 years. From 1977-1979 he was President of the Maryland Association of Soil Conservation Districts and also served as President of the Chestertown Cotillion Club where he and Ann were members for 43 years. In 1980 he was inducted in the Pennsylvania Master Farmer Association. Bill served as a Kent County Commissioner from 1990-1994 and was also Chairman of the Maryland Eastern Shore RC&D Association. From 1995-2023 he was a member of Kent County Planning and Zoning and was recently acknowledged with a certificate of Appreciation for 29 years of service to the county. In 1996

he was inducted into the Maryland Agricultural Hall of Fame. He was a lifetime member of the Maryland Holstein Association and remained a Board Member of Upper Shore Aging until the time of his passing. Bill was also a Lifelong member of St. James United Methodist Church where he served on numerous committees. Bill's family, farm, and community were his life.

In addition to his parents and wife he was preceded in death by his step mother, Edna Marie Hubbard Sutton, sisters in law, Fay Miller, Peggy Clark, and Pat Walls, and four brothers in law, Bud Walls, Raymond Walls, Edward Walters and Tommy Clark.

He is survived by his son, William S. "Billy" Sutton Jr. and daughter in law Patricia, his daughter, Susan Sutton Nickerson and son in law Phillip, four grandchildren, William S. Sutton III (Lacey), Jessica Strong (Ray), Tanner Nickerson, Baxter Nickerson, ten great grandchildren, Drew, Bevyn, Braelynn, Bristol, Bailey, Lucy, Reese, Rachel, Henry and Rhett, sister in law, Edwina Walls Walters, step brother, Dr. Wilkins Hubbard and many nieces, nephews and cousins who were very special to him.

A visitation will be held on Thursday, Feb 22, 2024 from 3-5pm and 6-8pm at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Funeral Home 130 Speer Rd Chestertown, MD. Services will be held on Friday, Feb 23, 2024 at 10am at St. James United Methodist Church in Worton, MD, where friends and family may visit one hour prior to the service (9:00 am - 10:00 am). Interment will follow the service in St. James Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be sent to St. James United Methodist Church P.O. Box 156 Worton, MD 21678, Kent County 4-H 709 Morgnec Rd., Suite 202, Chestertown, MD 21620, or Compass Regional Hospice 160 Coursevall Rd. Centreville, MD 21617.

Cemetery Details

St. James Cemetery

Worton, MD

Previous Events

Viewing

FEB 22. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

Viewing

FEB 22. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
<http://www.fhnfuneralhome.com>

Service

FEB 23. 10:00 AM (ET)

St James United Methodist Church
10965 St. James-Newtown Rd
Worton, MD 21678

Tribute Wall

SB

“ *Stefanie&David Blyman lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Stefanie&David Blyman - February 24, 2024 at 10:02 AM

LE

“ *One of a kind -- a true gentleman. My honor to have had the pleasure of working with him as the Chair of the MD Eastern Shore Resource Conservation & Development Council.*



Linda Elben-Adams - February 23, 2024 at 06:58 PM

PH

“ *Peggy Hammer lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Peggy Hammer - February 23, 2024 at 09:56 AM

RD

“ *Randy And Debbie Davidson lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Randy and Debbie Davidson - February 21, 2024 at 06:29 PM

RD

To Billy, Susan and families our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mr Bill was a great and kind man. He will be missed by many. Especially his family. May your memories bring you comfort at this time.

Randy and Debbie Davidson - February 21, 2024 at 06:34 PM

JF

“ *Bill was a good and honorable man. Proud to say he was our friend.*
Jean Foreman & Family

Jean Foreman - February 21, 2024 at 03:05 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of William Stanley Sutton.*



February 21, 2024 at 02:50 PM



“ *4 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 21, 2024 at 11:52 AM

GL

“ *Growmark FS LLC. purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of William Stanley Sutton.*



Growmark FS LLC. - February 21, 2024 at 11:26 AM

GS

“ *George Short lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



George Short - February 21, 2024 at 11:22 AM

MB

“ *Keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers.*

Melinda Blyman - February 20, 2024 at 11:38 PM

CL

“ *Chuck And Julie Langenfelder lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Chuck and Julie Langenfelder - February 20, 2024 at 06:41 PM

JD

“ Jack Dolan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William Stanley Sutton.

Jack Dolan - February 20, 2024 at 03:58 PM



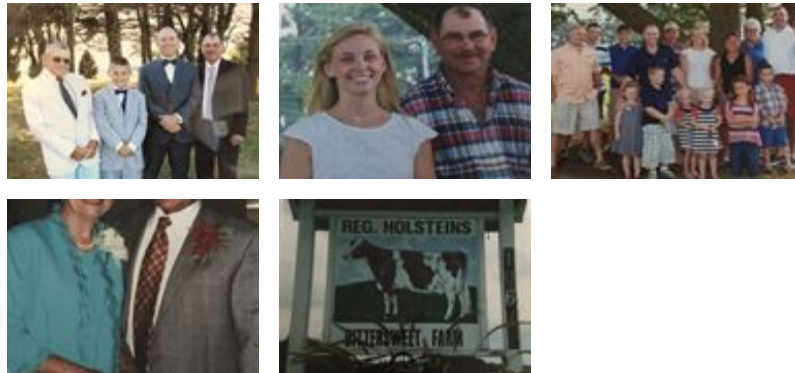
“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Stanley Sutton.



February 20, 2024 at 03:58 PM



“ 291 files added to the album LifeTributes



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - February 20, 2024 at 01:01 PM

SB

“ *Sara Buckel lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Sara Buckel - February 20, 2024 at 12:47 PM

TF

“ *The Leaverton Family lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



The Leaverton Family - February 20, 2024 at 12:24 PM

DC

“ *Mr Bill is very well respected by me. my mom and dad were in the farm bureau together. he was one on a kind and a true gentleman. i'm going to miss him. Dave Conley.*

dave conley - February 20, 2024 at 12:03 PM

TT

“ *Tonya Thomas lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Tonya Thomas - February 20, 2024 at 11:21 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William Stanley Sutton.*



February 20, 2024 at 09:44 AM



“ *Leslie Owens lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Leslie Owens - February 19, 2024 at 06:36 PM



“ *Galen And Eleanor Potts lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Galen and Eleanor Potts - February 19, 2024 at 05:36 PM



“ *Lee Phillips lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Lee Phillips - February 19, 2024 at 04:37 PM

BC

“ *Barbara Coleman lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Barbara Coleman - February 19, 2024 at 03:54 PM

DC

“ *So sorry to hereof Bill's passing. Ann & Bill have forever been in my thoughts, prayer, and heart. I cherish the years spent living and working at Bittersweet Farm. I am the person I am today and have accomplished all that I have if not for the love and guidance of Ann & Bill. They were my second parents. With heart felt prayers,
David & Shelly Cope*

David Cope - February 19, 2024 at 01:22 PM

JV

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Bill's family and friends! Definitely a person I looked up to and his father who took me to 4-H Club Week and the two of them helped make the person I am today! I was so proud to become Big Chief of the Maryland 4-H All Stars in 1996 and knew it wouldn't of been possible without Bill's influence on me! Thank you Stanley and William in Heaven! Joe & Margaret Voshell*



Joe Voshell - February 19, 2024 at 11:42 AM

BJ

“ *Barbara Jacquette lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Barbara Jacquette - February 19, 2024 at 11:40 AM

BJ

Thoughts & Prayers to Mr. Bill's family - An Amazing man who lead an Amazing Life! I will miss seeing his smiling face at Church. Barb Jacquette

Barbara Jacquette - February 19, 2024 at 11:48 AM

TF

“ *The Ruehrmund Family lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



The Ruehrmund Family - February 19, 2024 at 11:09 AM

LB

“ *Larry Beck lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Larry Beck - February 19, 2024 at 10:47 AM

MW

“ *Marian Walbert Wyble lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Marian Walbert Wyble - February 19, 2024 at 09:37 AM

KL

“ *Katherine Langenfelder lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Katherine Langenfelder - February 19, 2024 at 09:22 AM

JK

“ *Jack And Debbie Kemp lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Jack and Debbie Kemp - February 19, 2024 at 08:42 AM

LP

“ *Lola And Elmer Price lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Lola And Elmer Price - February 19, 2024 at 08:38 AM

CD

“ *Carrie Douthit lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



carrie douthit - February 19, 2024 at 08:29 AM



“ *A great gentleman. Prayers to the family.*

Matt Larrimore - February 19, 2024 at 08:03 AM

MC

“ *Mr. Sutton Was One Of A Kind. A Great Man Indeed! Thoughts And Well Wishes To The Family.*

Marion Chance - February 19, 2024 at 07:33 AM

JS

“ *Jeanette Stubbs lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Jeanette Stubbs - February 19, 2024 at 05:45 AM

NG

“ *Nancy And Jim Greenwood lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Nancy and Jim Greenwood - February 18, 2024 at 10:01 PM

JC

“ June Clark lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton



June Clark - February 18, 2024 at 09:03 PM

BM

“ Bunk And Suzie Miller lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton



Bunk and Suzie Miller - February 18, 2024 at 08:37 PM

FD

“ Frankie And Jane Dill lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton



Frankie and Jane Dill - February 18, 2024 at 06:31 PM

LG

“ Thoughts and prayers to the family.



Lana Grove - February 18, 2024 at 06:10 PM

DH

“ Donna Hollett lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton



Donna Hollett - February 18, 2024 at 05:49 PM

KM

“ Kathi Haacke Morehead lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton



Kathi Haacke Morehead - February 18, 2024 at 05:09 PM

JM

“ Jessie And Bob Merritt lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton



Jessie and Bob Merritt - February 18, 2024 at 04:42 PM

DB

“ Doris Ann Bramble lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton



Doris Ann Bramble - February 18, 2024 at 04:22 PM

DF

“ *My sympathies to his family and many friends*



Debbie Fuchs - February 18, 2024 at 03:42 PM

DH

“ *Denny And Judy Hickman lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Denny and Judy Hickman - February 18, 2024 at 03:36 PM

FL

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Mr. Bills passing. Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers.*



Frankie and Cathy Legg - February 18, 2024 at 03:33 PM

GR

“ *Gretchen lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Gretchen - February 18, 2024 at 03:25 PM

GL

“ *Growmark FS, LLC. lit a candle in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Growmark FS, LLC. - February 18, 2024 at 03:24 PM

BF

Deepest Condolences to the Sutton family. May the Peace of The Lord be with you as you walk in grief. Hugs. Doug & Bev Foreman

Beverly Foreman - February 18, 2024 at 08:44 PM

CE

“ *Charles & Donna Hubbard Edwards sent a virtual gift in memory of William Stanley Sutton*



Charles & Donna Hubbard Edwards - February 18, 2024 at 03:15 PM