



William Burt Haskin

June 19, 1933 - December 13, 2019

William "Bill" Burt Haskin, 86, of Fife Lake, passed away at his home surrounded by his loving family on Friday, December 13, 2019. Mr. Haskin was born on the family farm in Springfield Township on June 19, 1933, to the late Lester and Elizabeth (Birgy) Haskin. Bill proudly served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War, guarding the Bering Strait in Alaska. Shortly after joining the military, Bill returned home and married the love of his life, Jeanette Smith, on September 26, 1952 in Fife Lake. Family was the utmost important thing in Bill's life, where his love for genealogy, history, and family traditions played a big role in both his life and generations down the line. He greatly enjoyed country western music, farming, cars, snowmobiling, and making memories with friends and family. As a proud Veteran, Bill became a charter member of the American Legion Post 219 in Fife Lake, eventually serving as Commander-in-Chief. Through the years, Bill became a well-known friendly face and staple amongst the community where he served his loyal customers at Voice Motors for over 48 years. Over the last few years, faith had become a pillar of great significance, strength, and guidance for Bill. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends. He is survived by his loving wife, Jeanette; daughters: Linda (David) Gregg, Debra (Gordon) Gullekson, and Laura (Craig) Haller; grandchildren: Chad (Shaye) Ellis, Amy (Rob Root) Ellis, Chad Phillips; Christian Clark, Kristin Clark; Ashley Crandall, Marty Crandall; Amanda (Evan) Godfrey; Tracy, Christopher, and Erin Gregg; Becky, Angie, and Scott (Amy) Gullekson; Alison, Garret (Mary Beth Garcia), Marty

(Tracy), and Jacob Haller; great-grandchildren: Jordan, Claire, Mara, Alex, Luke, Lane, Livi, Robbie, Carter, Rebecca, Tristin, Tinley, Ashtin, Quinn, Rowan, Hayden, Elena, Monica, Kennedy, and Cameron; siblings: Charles Haskin, Sandra Maszy, Theodore (Cathy) Haskin, Dennis (Mary) Haskin; sisters-in-law Erna Haskin and Sue Smith, brother-in-law Neil (Judith) Smith; and numerous special nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers: Felice (June) and Douglas; sisters: Rose (Dale) Bainbridge, Marcia Perry, and Vicki Sanders. Bill's family would like to extend a special thank you to Dr. Barraza, all of the great caregivers at Munson Hospice and to Terry Birgy who has helped lead Bill in his faith. Memorial contributions may be made in Bill's honor to Munson Hospice. Visitation will be on Wednesday, December 18th from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at Kalkaska Funeral Home with a Rosary at 7 p.m. A funeral mass will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, December 19th, with final visitation beginning at 10 a.m. at St. Aloysius Catholic Church in Fife Lake. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Cemetery Details

Springfield Township Cemetery (Clark Cemetery)

10995 Coster Rd.
Fife Lake, MI 49633

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 18. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home
152 S Cedar St
P.O. Box 1457
Kalkaska, MI 49646

Visitation

DEC 18. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Rosary

DEC 18. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Final Visitation

DEC 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Aloysius Catholic Church
Fife Lake, MI

Funeral Mass

DEC 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Aloysius Catholic Church
Fife Lake, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Love, Carol, Diane, Terry, Yvonne and Families purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of William Burt Haskin.*



Love, Carol, Diane, Terry, Yvonne and Families - December 18, 2019 at 09:31 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William Burt Haskin.*



December 17, 2019 at 11:21 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of William Burt Haskin.*



December 17, 2019 at 04:34 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of William Burt Haskin.*



December 17, 2019 at 01:35 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Burt Haskin.*



December 17, 2019 at 11:55 AM



“ *Steve, Sue and Kyle Perry purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of William Burt Haskin.*



Steve, Sue and Kyle Perry - December 17, 2019 at 11:12 AM



“ *Rocky and Debra Letts purchased the Fairest of All for the family of William Burt Haskin.*



Rocky and Debra Letts - December 16, 2019 at 10:08 AM

CB

“ Bill was a great man who shared many lessons in my short summer job at Voice Motors when I was 17. He was a trusting face, and a pillar among the car sales force in the entire area. Known by many as "their salesman", he stood out from the industry stereotype. He mentored my dad during his short time there as well - but dad was not meant for a desk job LOL. I remember him always willing to share a story and a cup of coffee with whoever crossed his path during the day. His legacy was not just a salesman, but a man who could leave a lasting impression on a person of any age. God bless his family and the many friends who mourn. Until we meet again. Matthew 5:4 - "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

Chad Bissonette - December 16, 2019 at 08:08 AM

DG

Chad, thank you for your kind words. So glad we could share him with the world around us and you had the opportunity to know him. May God Bless You💙

Deb Gullekson - December 26, 2019 at 08:13 PM

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Deb Gullekson - December 26, 2019 at 08:17 PM



“ Loved to talk to Bill about things in Fife when he was young. I really enjoyed talking to him about old Family history his and ours

Katrina Gauld - December 15, 2019 at 04:15 PM

DG

Katrina, Thank you... He loved talking to you too I'm sure. We have definitely lost a great historian and loving, caring man...our Dad💙

Deb Gullekson - December 27, 2019 at 01:47 PM

TG

“ *Bill was always our salesman when we went up to buy our cars at Voices. Always a great and nice man. So very sorry for your loss. God Bless.*

Tom and Donna Gonyer

Tom and Donna Gonyer - December 15, 2019 at 11:45 AM

RG

Fair thee well comrade to the post everlasting

Randy Gilbert - December 16, 2019 at 10:05 AM

GG

Sending hugs and prayers to Bill's family, I'm going to miss him. Looked forward to him visiting us at Voice Motors. Bill was one of a kind.

Georgette Green - December 17, 2019 at 02:31 PM

DG

Thank you for your kind words. He was a great Dad and Grandpa, too
💙

Deb Gullekson - December 26, 2019 at 08:47 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of William Burt Haskin.*



December 15, 2019 at 10:22 AM