



Willie "Bill" N. Edwards, Jr.

October 29, 1946 - January 19, 2026

Willie "Bill" N. Edwards, Jr., age 79, of Morrilton, Arkansas, passed away on Monday, January 19, 2026. He was born on October 29, 1946, in Fort Smith, Arkansas, the son of Willie N. Edwards, Sr. and Dorothy Elizabeth Winfrey. Bill drove for Wayne Smith Trucking for 37 years, retiring in 2022 and served as a Sergeant in the U.S. Air Force. Bill also served as a Reserve Officer with the Morrilton Police Department and then a Reserve Deputy with Conway County Sheriff's Office. Bill was a 32nd-degree mason at Lodge # 105 and of the Baptist faith. Bill loved deer hunting and having family around. He enjoyed sitting on the front porch and eating snacks with his wife of 34 years.

He is survived by his wife, Linda Sue Mahan Edwards; bonus children, Johnny (Joanie) Henson of Springfield, Michael (Vicki) Henson of Morrilton, Jimmy (Teena) Henson of Morrilton, Christie (Kelly) Beaty of Hot Springs, and Mistie (Jeff) Virden of Morrilton; his cousin, Billy (Sharon) Grantham of Morrilton and their daughter, Susie (Ronnie) Grantham-Inskeep of Morrilton; 14 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchild; sisters, Evelyn Pratt and Mary Catherine; nieces; nephews; and other family and friends. Other than his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Billie Jean and his weiner dog, Willie, who traveled many miles with Bill in his 18-wheeler.

Visitation will be at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, January 22, with the service following at 2:00 p.m. at the Harris Chapel with burial at Elmwood Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Billy Grantham, Johnny Henson, Michael Henson, Jimmy

Henson, Kelly Beaty, and Jeff Virden.

Cemetery Details

Elmwood Cemetery

1830 Highway 113
Morrilton, AR 72110

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 22. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Harris Funeral Home Chapel
1325 Oak Street
Morrilton, AR 72110
<http://www.harrisfuneralhomes.net>

Funeral Service

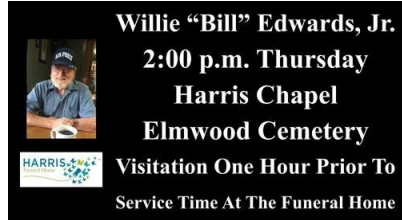
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Tribute Wall



“ *Harris Funeral Homes, Inc. created a Funeral Service for Willie "Bill" N. Edwards, Jr. in memory of Willie "Bill" N. Edwards, Jr.*



Harris Funeral Home - January 22 at 10:02 AM



Sue u know I have been n prayer for you & the same will continue. If u need to talk or cry...I'm always right here. Loved u & Mr. Bill he will be missed. God bless you all

Debbie Shaw - January 22 at 09:56 PM

TF

“ *The Arias Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Willie "Bill" N. Edwards, Jr..*

The Arias Family - January 22 at 10:45 AM

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“ *The Arias Family purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Willie "Bill" N. Edwards, Jr..*



The Arias Family - January 22 at 10:45 AM

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“ Arias family purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Willie "Bill" N. Edwards, Jr..



Arias family - January 22 at 09:32 AM

LF

“ Linda Sue, so sorry to hear about Bill, prayers for comfort for you and your precious family



Lucretia Flowers - January 22 at 09:31 AM

MB

“ Sorry for your loss. Prayers for you all.
Michele Underwood Burks

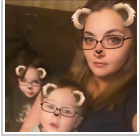
Michele Burks - January 22 at 03:31 AM

SF

“ Sweet Family purchased the Lavender & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Willie "Bill" N. Edwards, Jr..



Sweet Family - January 21 at 11:16 AM



“ I'll miss you always uncle bill and every time I smell Stetson I'll think of you ❤️❤️

Victoria Thacker - January 20 at 04:20 PM

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“ Prayers for comfort and peace during this difficult time. When I think of Bill, my thoughts go back to all the years he was a dear friend and trucking buddy of my brother-in-law, Junior McCoy. They are celebrating in heaven.

Nova Scroggins - January 20 at 02:14 PM

AP

“ I do not ever remember not knowing Bill. From growing up with mom and him working with dad for all those years he was always in my life. He was one of a kind. He was kind but could and would stand up for himself and others when needed. He didn't lose his sense of humor even as his health was failing. Sue, y'all are in my thoughts and prayers. Love you all. P.S. I hope him and my mom aren't causing too much trouble in Heaven.

Amy (Smith) Poteete - January 20 at 09:07 AM

RT

“ Have know Bill.most of my life and sue,he was my brother in laws cousin.he was always very nice,I send prayers and condolences,r.i.p.Bill..Rhonda Reedy Tanner



Rhonda Tanner - January 19 at 11:01 PM

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“ *Mr. Ed as I always called him could make a day go from bad to good with just his smile. I thank God for putting him and Mrs. Sue in my life if only for a short period of time. I always enjoyed our morning greetings and the smile I always got. Fly high rest easy you deserve it*

Kathleen - January 19 at 10:02 PM



“ *Red, White & Blue Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Willie "Bill" N. Edwards, Jr..*



January 19 at 07:05 PM