



William "Bill" Hopkins

December 15, 1952 - October 16, 2024

William T. "Bill" Hopkins age 71 of Scottville passed away peacefully on Wednesday evening October 16, 2024 at his home in Scottville surrounded by his family. Bill was born on December 15, 1952 in Kalamazoo, one of three children to William L. and Arlene (Weber) Hopkins and graduated from Portage Central High school in 1971. Following school, he was drafted into the Army 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell in Kentucky where he held the rank of a Specialist and specialized in the Vulcan Anti-aircraft gun. Bill drove semi-truck for over 48 years hauling a wide variety of freight from cold foods to paper.

Bill enjoyed being outside and was always found golfing, hunting, attending his daughters rodeos, or kayaking with family and friends. He enjoyed sitting on his porch watching nature and on Sundays cheering on (yelling at) his favorite team the Detroit Lions.

Bill is survived by his wife of 34 years Cindy (Badke) Hopkins and their daughter Haley (Michael) Saya; his three daughters with Deb Smith - Teresa (Marc) Morocco, Stacy Hopkins, and Melissa (Doug) Barnes. Bill has one surviving brother Ken (Diane) Hopkins, and his brother in law Kim (Liz) Badke. He also has four surviving grandchildren, Ariana (Eddy) Campbell, Ty and Carson Barnes, and JJ Hopkins as well as a niece and several nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents William and Arlene Hopkins; and sister Bonnie.

He will be missed by all his family, friends and loved ones.

Graveside services will take place at the Riverside cemetery in Custer at 10:30 am on Sunday, November 10th. Immediately following the ceremony, a celebration of life including a luncheon will be held at the Custer VFW Post 5096 between 11:00 am – 4:00 pm.

Please make any contributions to the family or to the Stomp Out Cancer Fund in memory of Bill, S.O.C Fund, PO Box 783, Manistee, MI 49660.

Cemetery Details

Riverside Cemetery

800 South Custer Road
Custer, MI 49405

Previous Events

Graveside Ceremony

NOV 10. 10:30 AM (ET)

Riverside Cemetery
800 South Custer Road
Custer, MI 49405

Gathering of Friends & Family

NOV 10. 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Custer Gold Bar VFW Post 5096
2022 E. US 10 Highway
Custer, MI 49405

Tribute Wall

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“ *BILL WAS A FUNNY, SWEET MAN. I NEVER EVER HEARD BILL SAY A BAD WORD OF ANYONE EVEN IF HE WAS MAD OR UPSET WITH THEM AND BELIEVE ME IM SURE I GAVE HIM MANY REASON TOO IN THE YEARS THAT HIS WIFE CINDY AND I WERE FRIENDS. FLY HIGH SWEET BILL WITH ALL THE ANGELS. YOU WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED FOR ALL THE HARD WORK AND DEDICATION YOUR GAVE AND DID FOR YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS. RIP.* ❤️

Tina Marie Labadie - November 13, 2024 at 11:33 AM

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“ *From, Retail Data Systems planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William "Bill" Hopkins.*

From, Retail Data Systems - November 07, 2024 at 04:10 PM

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“ *From, Retail Data Systems purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William "Bill" Hopkins.*



From, Retail Data Systems - November 07, 2024 at 04:10 PM

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“ Bill had such a kind heart. We remember golfing with him , he always gave us a hard time when we had a bad shot. It was all in good fun. We can't believe you are gone but will forever remember all the good times we had . Fly high Billy, you are forever in our hearts.

Chriss & Bob Carlton - November 02, 2024 at 04:56 PM

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“ Bill you were such a kind,hard working soul. We always had so much fun going out with Deb and you! Then we had kids and spent our time at the beach. Your life was cut short but you will be in our hearts. Great memories!! Until we meet again Rest In Peace❤️.
Love Tom & Teresa

Tom & Teresa Newcomb - October 22, 2024 at 05:35 PM

SJ

“ Scott and Julie Johnson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William "Bill" Hopkins.

Scott and Julie Johnson - October 22, 2024 at 11:59 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Hopkins.



October 22, 2024 at 11:59 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Hopkins.



October 22, 2024 at 08:50 AM