



William E. Shoemaker

April 29, 1926 - June 28, 2022

William E. Shoemaker passed away June 28, 2022. He was born at home in Boone County to Buren and Ruth Shoemaker, who preceded him in death.

He attended Zionsville High School and graduated from Purdue University, where he was a member of Alpha Gamma Rho. He married Joan Hirschfeld on Dec. 26, 1951. She preceded him in death.

William served as a forward observer in the Korean War. He lived in Zionsville for many years with his wife. He farmed and worked for many years at Boone County State Bank. He was a 4-H leader and a Kiwanis Club member. He loved visiting the American Legion, even on trips, and golfing. He opened Hickory Bend Golf Course in 1995 with his brother, Jim, who preceded him in death. He was also preceded in death by his sister, Betty Rose Pitzer.

He is survived by his children, Douglas Shoemaker (Patricio Ramos), Deidre Bush, Natalie (David) Wolfe and Nanette Shoemaker; his grandchildren, Adelaide (Algirdas) Navickas, Clarissa Bush, Charles Neudecker IV, Riley Neudecker and Cody Neudecker; his great-grandson, Domantas Navickas; and many other family and friends.

He will be missed by many.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Thursday, June 30, 2022, at Myers Mortuary,

1502 North Lebanon Street, in Lebanon, Indiana. A service will be 10:30 a.m. Friday, July 1. Interment will follow at Mt. Runn Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Mts. Runn Cemetery

250 South 775 East
Zionsville, IN 46077

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 30. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Myers Mortuary
1502 North Lebanon Street
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Service

JUL 1. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *William E. Shoemaker*

November 27, 2022 at 01:43 PM



“ *Prayers. Prayers Doug, Dee, Natalie & Nanette. Sorry to read about your Father's passing. He was a Great 4-H Leader. always had the Bill Shoemaker smile on!*

Rita Mae Shoemaker Moore - July 26, 2022 at 01:01 PM



“ *Always found Bill's advice in the banking industry very helpful . He always told you how it was. Enjoy playing at the golf course his family has built. He always had good thoughts when he would come to the Westside for coffee and breakfast. Our prayers are with the family. He will be missed.*

Kenny Kincaid - July 03, 2022 at 04:05 PM



“ *To the family of Bill. This is a sad day for me and my husband. Finding out out his passing. He will truly be missed. I had the pleasure of first knowing him when he was the currier for the Farmers Bank. He was the best, funny and so friendly. For many years, my husband hauled stone and other materials for him. Bill, you were a light in our lives, a true friend. You will always be remembered and so missed*❤️

Samantha and Tom Carney - July 03, 2022 at 09:46 AM

JH

“ De, Doug, Nat and Nanette you had such wonderful parents. They were some of the nicest people I ever met. They both always had a smile. Prayers for all of you to feel the love of your friends and family at this difficult time. I wish I could be there. Sending love to you all.

Jenna Hall - July 01, 2022 at 01:03 AM

JW

“ I always enjoyed talking to Bill and Joan when they came into the bank. They were so knowledgeable about 4H and hreat supporters of Boone County 4H, that knowledge will be missed.



Judi Wilson - June 30, 2022 at 10:51 PM

JW

Great supporters of 4H

Judi Wilson - June 30, 2022 at 10:53 PM

CF

“ Doug, Dee, Natalie & Nanette, So very sorry for the loss of your father.



Curt/Alana Davis & family - June 30, 2022 at 08:30 PM

TR

“ Oh Bill, where do I start. Working for you as my boss at Boone County State Bank was an experience that has stayed with me forever. I was only a young 21 year old when I started there and I learned so much from you, mostly about banking, but also about some ornery things that I had no idea about. You were a joy to work with and I have so many memories and stories with you. You were a firecracker. I always enjoyed the Christmas lunches you would host for the loan officers, so much fun. The bank parties...oh my, those were all truly the GOOD OLD DAYS!!! I know that you and your wife are together again in Heaven, but I know that Heaven will never be the same with you and your brother Jim there! Thanks so much for the memories, so glad Doug brought you to our last BCSB reunion 3 summers ago and you had just played golf earlier that day. When I look up the word spunk in the dictionary, your name is beside it. My prayers to Doug, Dee, Natalie and Nanette and family on your passing. You used to tell me when they were all four at Purdue at the same time, that is why you were bald!!

Tami Richardson - June 30, 2022 at 03:55 PM

DB

“ Very sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I have so many memories spanning the last 60 years. He and Joanne were such a good friends to Gene and me. All of those memories will keep him alive in my mind. Dodie Bear

Dodie Bear - June 30, 2022 at 03:33 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of William E. Shoemaker.



June 30, 2022 at 01:13 PM

BM

“ So sorry for this loss. Bill was one of the kindest and enjoyable human beings I have ever met. He always brought a smile with him and shared it with everyone he knew. I'm sure he has heard from the master "Well done, my good and faithful servant". Rest in peace.

- Barbara Bennington Mason

Barb Mason - June 30, 2022 at 10:32 AM



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June 30, 2022 at 09:15 AM

DS

“ So sorry to hear of this loss. Although we only met a few times I will always be grateful for his development of Hickory Bend. Nan, I promise to play more often and will dedicate my next round to his memory!

Doug Simon - June 30, 2022 at 08:27 AM

CU

“ Our condolences to the family of Bill. I can remember one meeting concerning Stormwater, Bill served as the Rural Union Township resident on our Committee. Everyone was grabbing calculators to figure out a cost and Bill just sat in the back, arms folded across his chest, cap on and blurted it out. A great neighbor. Candace and John Ulmer

Candace Ulmer - June 30, 2022 at 08:08 AM

BS

“ Chery and I are so very sorry to hear about Doug's father. While we never had the opportunity to meet William; we worked together with Doug and have known of the family for +/-30 years. Doug is a wonderful young man that even house-sit for us many times while we traveled. Doug is an excellent architect, landscape architect and friend....his father has taught him well..!! Our prayers are with Doug, his father and his entire family. May God be with you all. With Love, Chery and Bob Snyder.

Bob Snyder - June 29, 2022 at 10:55 PM

LR

“ We are so sorry for the loss of a wonderful man! We only met him a couple times but he instantly made us feel like family. We learned some great euchre advice from him and whenever we play, we always say “ What would Uncle Bill do?!” Our deepest condolences go out to Natalie, Nanette, Doug, and Dee and to the rest of his extended family (Liz Bilinski). May you all find comfort knowing he lived a long and wonderful life. Sending hugs to all ❤️

Lori and Jim Robertson - June 29, 2022 at 08:53 PM

KC

“ My sincere condolences to Natalie and her family in honor of the passing of her father. Keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers.
Kathy Clark

Kathy Clark - June 29, 2022 at 08:46 PM



“ I never had the honor of meeting Mr. Shoemaker but have been a Lilly colleague of his daughter, Natalie, for many years. You are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.
Dave Riggs



David Riggs - June 29, 2022 at 07:54 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of William E. Shoemaker.



June 29, 2022 at 06:18 PM



“ Bright and Beautiful Spray was purchased for the family of William E. Shoemaker.



June 29, 2022 at 05:32 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William E. Shoemaker.



June 29, 2022 at 04:32 PM

HB

“ *His Friends and Golfing Buddies purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of William E. Shoemaker.*



His Friends and Golfing Buddies - June 29, 2022 at 04:24 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of William E. Shoemaker.*



June 29, 2022 at 03:33 PM

SB

“ *Sally Byrd lit a candle in memory of William E. Shoemaker*



Sally Byrd - June 29, 2022 at 02:35 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William E. Shoemaker.*



June 29, 2022 at 02:16 PM