

Keller's Old Town Funeral Home & Cremation Service

# In Loving Memory of Billy Golden Sr. (May 10, 1950 - June 8, 2023)

Dublin, TX - Billy "Bill" Golden Sr., a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, passed away peacefully in his home on June 8, 2023, at the age of 73. Born on May 10, 1950, in Dublin, Texas, Billy was the beloved son of Burley Golden and Frances Golden.

On September 4, 1968, Bill enlisted in the United States Army, demonstrating his unwavering dedication to serving his country. He served a tour in Vietnam during the war, displaying bravery and courage in the face of adversity. Bill was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for his exceptional service, a testament to his outstanding commitment and meritorious achievements. He also received a Vietnam Service Medal with a Silver Star, Expert Rifle medal, and a Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. Following his honorable discharge from Active Duty on September 1, 1974, Bill transitioned into the National Guard, continuing his service to the nation. He served with distinction until his honorable discharge from military service on February 28, 1978, leaving behind a legacy of selflessness and duty.

On February 27, 1970, Bill married the love of his life, Charlotte Simmons. Their union was a testament to love, commitment, and companionship that spanned over five decades. Together, they created a legacy of love and family. Bill's memory will forever be cherished by his beloved wife, Charlotte, and their children, Billy Golden Jr. and Kimberly Golden-Nogle. He was a loving father who tirelessly provided for his family and instilled in them the values of hard work, dedication, and integrity.

Bill dedicated 30 years of his life to the railroad, culminating in his dream position as an Engineer at BNSF, where he retired. His passion for trains was evident in his work, and he took great pride in his contributions to the industry.

Outside of his professional endeavors, Bill was known for his zest for life and many interests. He found solace and joy in pursuing hobbies such as fishing and camping. However, nothing surpassed his love and enjoyment of motorcycles. His enthusiasm was infectious, and he inspired those around him to find happiness in life's simple pleasures.

Bill is preceded in death by his brother, Tim Golden, and his parents, Burley and Frances. He is survived by his adoring wife, Charlotte, and both children, as well as his older brothers Jerry and Phillip Golden. In addition to his immediate family, Bill leaves behind a cherished legacy through his nine grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren. He loved and adored every one of them, finding immense joy in their accomplishments, laughter, and love.

Billy Golden Sr. will be deeply missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him. His kindness, generosity, and unwavering love for his family and friends will forever be remembered. May his soul find eternal peace as his memory continues to live on in the hearts and minds of those who loved him.

Funeral services will honor and celebrate Bill's life at Keller's Oldtown Funeral Home. Family and friends are invited to gather to pay their respects and share in the memories of a remarkable man who touched so many lives.

"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." - Romans 8:38-39