



William Henry Welsh IV

December 20, 1952 - May 5, 2014

Bill Welsh of Lindsay, Oklahoma passed from this life on Monday, May 5, 2014 in Alex, Oklahoma at the age of 61. Bill was born December 20, 1952 in Wynnewood, Oklahoma, to William "Dub" and Lozella Christine "Chris" (Bullard) Welsh. His family moved to Lindsay, October 6, 1955. Bill graduated from Lindsay High School in 1971. Then went on to college and graduated from Southeastern University in Durant, Oklahoma majoring in music. He married Shari Wasson in Pauls Valley, Oklahoma on August 27, 1982. They have been married 31 years. They had 2 children; Sean and Ashley Welsh, of which he was very proud.

Bill was a member of the First Baptist Church. At the age of 16, he started working with his dad at MISCO United Supply, which later became Arrow Pump and then in 1983 became Red Man Supply. Presently, Bill was assistant manager in sales at Locke Supply in Chickasha, Oklahoma. Part of his job was to teach the younger employees to be managers. He made the comment that he might not ever retire.

Bill's favorite activity was playing the guitar. He was a musician to the core. This was evident by the bands in which he performed. In Junior High the band was called "The Exiles", in high school he was guitar player and lead singer with the band, "Love's Brother". Later after college, from 1975 to 1980, Bill played in a band called "Ramblin". Bill was a song writer and word man. He

wrote a song about Lindsay called "Little L.A." He even copyrighted his music. He would spend hours strumming his guitar in his lazy-boy. It was like therapy for him because music was in his blood. Bill's other past times included playing with the grandkids, jamming with himself and other people, fishing, guns, repairing fishing reels, writing music, Facebook, listening to music, riding his Harley, and gardening (Shari was especially pleased with his pickled beets and delicious corn!)

One time Bill was asked, "How do you want to be remembered?" His reply was, "As a friend, musician, rock and roller; God lover, American, lover, Patriot, survivor, guitar player, Harley Rider, and a Leopard."

Bill is survived by his wife Shari Welsh, his son, Sean Welsh of Norman, Oklahoma, his daughter Ashley Welsh of Lindsay, Oklahoma and son Anthony Devore of McKinney, Texas; his parents William "Dub" and Chris Welsh of Lindsay, Oklahoma; two grandchildren: Conner Welsh of Lindsay, Oklahoma and Khloie Welsh of Norman, Oklahoma; and brother-in-law Bob Barker of Lindsay, Oklahoma.

Bill was preceded in death by one sister Nancy Welsh Barker.

Funeral services for Mr. Welsh are set for ten o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2014 at the First Baptist Church located at 401 SW 3rd, Lindsay, Oklahoma with Pastor Randy Allen officiating. Interment will follow at Green Hill Cemetery in Lindsay, Oklahoma. Services are under the direction of B.G. Boydston Funeral Home of Lindsay, Oklahoma. Condolences may be made to the family online at www.boydstonfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall

SW

“ it's been almost a month and I'm just now able to read these posts. I put it off because I knew that I would be crying while I read them. It's quite a blessing to read how he touched each of you in some way. I miss my honey so much. I agree with all of these messages. He did have a sweet soul and he is now singing in heaven and I'm sure has several of his Shepards right next to him. They loved him and he loved them all. THANK YOU everyone for the kind messages.

Shari Welsh - May 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ Shari, my thoughts and prayers are with you and yours. I know there are no words to alleviate the sadness, just know that you're not alone and there are many who are grieving with you and sending you and your family much love.

Crystal Bond - May 14, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ OMG, I couldn't even believe this when I saw it and still can't. My deepest sympathy goes out to his family, friends and loved ones. Billy was a great friend and will be greatly missed. I live in Denver and have not seen him in quite sometime but we did chat on facebook often. Loved ya lots Billy Welsh!!

Judy

Judy Curcio - May 13, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GN

“ Billy touched my life deeply, as he touched all other's lives who've posted here. On my 16th birthday, Billy showed up at my house with a present and birthday card... it was Elton John's Tumbleweed Connection. Billy, I have bought several copies of that album since and passed each along to others that they may benefit from your love of music and your sense of humanity. You were indeed a friend. Deepest sympathies to your wife and family.

Gayle Noe - May 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ Billy was a very dear friend to us. We have lots of memories. Our thoughts and prayers

go out to the family. Rest in peace my friend. We will see you on the other side.

Terry & Donna Thomas - May 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BE

“ I write this for both my mother, Wanda Barker, and myself. We are so very sorry Shari, Ashley, and Sean. Dub and Chris, your pain must be unbearable as well. Know that all of you are in our prayers and our thoughts; not just today, but in the many days ahead. May the peace and the comfort that only comes from God be yours in ways unexplainable to human understanding...and may we all know and rest in the fact that Billy sees now the face of his creator; and so shall we be someday as well. Love to you all

Bev - May 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ There are no words that can express how sorry I am for your loss. Thank you for giving him such a wonderful life and beautiful children and grandchildren. I know a little ray of Sunshine was there to meet him and walk with him thru the gates of heaven. God be with all of you.

Lana Erwin - May 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LJ

“ I'm in total shock ! Shari, Sean and Ashley I know the void of which you face. I have known Bill for a long time and as you must know he Loved his Family first and foremost. Your Husband and Father was a very talented individual and if he elected to take on a task is would be done with perfection. It doesn't seem that long ago when I first meet Bill of which at that time was working along side his Father Dub. I realized Bill would become a leader within the work place as well as in the small community of Lindsay, OK. For some strange reason I always felt blessed in a strange after talking with Bill. Kind of real strange looking back because Bill should of had a nickname such as EASY because there was a time I knew about that he didn't have that look about him. I recall watching our little daughters playing together. Even though they both went their own separate ways they have managed to stay connected. Shari your faith will carry you through all the adjustments ahead of you and you will manage to keep your sweet family at bay. I know Bill was blessed as for having a wonderful partner and wife of which helped him along the journey as for life. I often go to this web page due to all the people within my past life. I called Jovanna and I asked her to call Hope of which by now your very aware. I have been battling a cold of which I don't want to share with you or anyone else so I will not be attending the special services of Bill. Bill (Billy) Welsh you were an outstanding person and I am proud to have known you. You leave behind a Legacy of which will carry your Loving Family throughout their own life. R.I.P. Bill Semper Fi

Leonard Janousek - May 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers go out to and for your family.

Kevin Beam - May 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ We are better people because we were blessed to have known sweet Billy. That makes his parting that much harder. So sorry...

Sara Smith Posthuma - May 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Shari, I was so sorry to hear of your loss. You are in my thoughts and have my prayers.

cAROLYN hUTTO - May 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ Shari and family, We are very sorry for you loss. Your family is in our prayers.

Brandi & Bryant Morrow & Famil. - May 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ Just found out about Billy. He was and always will be my friend. My prayers are with his family.

Mike Knapp - May 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ My heart goes out to Billy's family, so sad to hear of this terrible loss. Billy may you rest in peace my dear friend.

Robert McVay - May 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ MY thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, I remember Billy from school.

Debbie Nelson - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ My thoughts are with the Welsh family for your loss. I remember Billy as a team mate and we had fun playing music in our garage band.

Danny Thornton - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WY

“ Shari, Sean, Ashley, Dub and Chris. Our love goes out to each one of you. May our God be with you all in the coming days, Love

Wayne and Virginia Yandell - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Shari, I can't believe he is gone. I will be praying for you and the kids. May our Lord comfort you in this time and beyond. I love you guys. Jo

Jovanna Dixon - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ Billy was a great man. always man had a smile every time you seen him. will be greatly missed. prayers out to the family.

Steve Abram - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ So very sorry for your loss. Billy was a cherished classmate with a gentle soul. Rock on dear Bill.

Janice Burnett - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ *Shari, Dub, Chris, and family I am sorry for your loss. You are in my prayers. The Lord is with to comfort you.*

Stanley McCabe - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ *From Keller Plumbing, Chickasha. Bill waited on us for many years and he will be missed. We also liked to visit about music and traded CDs with each other. We will miss him.*

George & Richard Keller - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *So sad to hear about our dear Billy. He was such a sweet guy and a gentle soul and always the gentlemen. May God be with you and comfort your broken hearts. We will all miss him greatly.*

Jacki Smith Graham - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Lots of great memories with Billy from being in school and sports together. Our thoughts and prayers for his family and friends. Isa. 57:1,2
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Danny & Karen Cunningham - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ *Billy was a good friend and have lots of great memories. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends. Isa. 57:1,2*

Danny & Karen Cunningham - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ I still can't believe Billy is gone. I remember him from school always so nice to everyone. I guess the thing I remember the most is his smile. He always had one.

Margaret Robnett McMillin - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ Walter and I are so sorry to hear of Billy's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of his family and friends. Billy was a wonderful person and will be deeply missed.

Anne Ross Alcorn - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PN

“ I am truly sorry for your loss. My deceased husband Randy Noe and Billy are together singing. God bless his family and friends.

Pam Noe - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Billy was a great guy, always a nice guy in our class. Our thoughts and prayers are with you

Karen Cunningham Horton - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Billy will be missed. He was a good friend in high school. Prayers to your family.

Steve Dodson - May 06, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I am thinking and praying for you and your family.

Diane Gustafson - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ So sorry to hear about Bill passing. Keeping all of you in my prayers.

Brance Spradlin - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ Dub, Chris, Shari and family. So very sorry for your loss. Such fond memories. May God bless you.

Gary & Rhonda Wafford - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LZ

“ To Shari, Dub, and Chris
My sister Rhonda McCabe Wafford just told me about Billy and I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Billy was our next door neighbor. Again I am so sorry.

Linda McCabe Zwirn - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Billy and his family were some of the first and nicest folks that I met when I first moved to this Great town, and they still are. Denise and I will sorely miss Bill. Prayers go up for Shari and family. May God's Love keep you strong!

Larry & Denise Slack - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ Shari, this breaks my heart for you and your children. May God give you comfort now and later.

Sarah Burkes - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ Shari,

We want to offer our sincere condolences to you and your family for our loss. Bill was a mentor to me and a great friend. I'll remember him always.

God bless, DJ and Kathy Jones

DJ and Kathy Jones - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ So sorry to hear about Billy. He was a great person and will be missed. Prayers for the family.

Dick Abram - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Shari, Sean, and Ashley, I am so sorry to hear this. You are such a sweet family. You will be in our thoughts and prayers. Love you.

Mickey Fisher - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Shari, Sean, and Ashley, we are so sorry about Billy...we are praying for strength, comfort and peace for you at this sad, sad time.

Ron and Janet Janousek - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ I am in total shock! Billy was such a great classmate teammate. I am so sad to hear this news. I loved visiting with him about music Prayers for his family!!!

Gary Cooper - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Shari and family, Dub and Chris. Billy was a good man and friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Rick & Pam Baker - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Bill was like a brother to me and Nancy, and he was my oldest and dearest friend. We miss him so much already. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Benny and Nancy Blakemore - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Billy was an old Dear Friend from HS. He was always so kind and caring about other people. Shari, I can't begin to say enough words for you. But I do know that God is there with all of you. I will continue to say My Prayers for all of you. Love, Jan Kennemer-Case.

Jan Kennemer-Case - May 05, 2014 at 12:00 AM