



Billy R. Watkins

February 21, 1949 - November 18, 2024

Bill Watkins was born on February 21, 1949, to Albert and Marjorie Watkins in Oklahoma. He entered Heaven's gates on November 18, 2024. He retired after working many years as a concrete worker. He loved to be outdoors. Fishing and hunting were some of his favorite hobbies. Bill loved spending time with his family and attending his grandchildren's sporting and school events. Bill had an unwavering faith in God and was a member of James River Church in Joplin.

Bill was preceded in death by his loving wife Wanda Watkins and his grandson Matthew Watkins. He is survived by his daughter Amanda Crandall, his son Allen Hosp, his son Bill Watkins, his son James Watkins and his wife Christy, and his daughter Gina Watkins. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

His daughter, Amanda, and his grandchildren, Kiley and Jacob, cared for him at the end of his life. The family gives thanks to everyone who cared for and supported him through his illness.

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me." - Psalm 23:4

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“ I just found out Bill had passed after trying to send him a message. We had not talked in several months and I was checking on him. Bill and I enjoyed camping and deer hunting on my property. We had some very deep conversations and I know he was a Godly man. It was an honor to have known him. You never know when you speak to someone if it will be the last time or not. He knew I was sick and always checked on me . I'm glad he didn't find out that I am now terminal. I wouldn't have to cause him any more worry. I'll see you again my friend.

Kevin Myers - December 17, 2024 at 11:36 AM