



## William (Bill) Ottinger

July 6, 1954 - August 30, 2019

On August 30, 2019, William (Bill) Ottinger, 65, passed away peacefully at his home, following his courageous battle with cancer. Bill was born in Mannington, NJ on July 6, 1954. He grew up in Penns Grove where he made many lifelong friendships. He graduated from Penns Grove High School in 1973. He married Karen, the love of his life, on August 8, 1981. Together, they enjoyed life and raised a family in Pennsville, NJ. Bill was a kind, patient, easy going man who was loved by all who knew him. He enjoyed the simple things in life like family, music, “tinkering” in his garage, working on cars, going to car shows, and playing with his drones. He was like a big kid with a great sense of humor. He was always there when you needed him, and always willing to lend a hand. He could fix anything he took apart with just a few spare bolts left over. Many memories were made camping, boating, and crabbing with his family. He enjoyed just hanging out with his friends and family drinking Coors Lite or testing different recipes for Martinis or Manhattans. In 2010, he retired from DuPont Chambers Works where he worked for 35 years. During his retirement he continued to spend his time doing the things he loved with friends who were like family and family that were his best friends.

He is survived by his wife Karen, of 38 years; his daughters Andrea Hern (Doug), Karen Keeley (Brian), and Dawn Myers (Buddy); grandchildren Dylan (Savannah), Stormy, Cade, Kaylee, Emma, Griffin, and Grady; and 2 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his siblings (whom he loved dearly)

Courtland Jr. (Leslie), Eleanor (Jerry), Shelly (Bill), Catherine (Steve) and many nieces and nephews.

He is predeceased by his father Courtland Ottinger, mother Ada Long, stepfather Rupert Long, brother-in-law Allen Gamber and his beloved dog Taz.

A viewing will be held on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, from 6-8pm at the Ashcraft Funeral Home at 740 S. Broadway, Pennsville, NJ 08070. Burial will be private.

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# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ashcraft Funeral Home (PV)

740 S. Broadway

Pennsville, NJ 08070

(856) 299-3366

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of William (Bill) Ottinger.*



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September 03, 2019 at 08:24 PM



“ *Kathy Mieczkowski lit a candle in memory of William (Bill) Ottinger*



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**Kathy Mieczkowski** - September 02, 2019 at 09:12 PM



*Dan and I met Karen's dad on Karen and Brian's wedding in May 💕  
And we are blessed to have shared their beautiful day with family 💕*

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**Kathy Mieczkowski** - September 02, 2019 at 09:17 PM



“ *Henry&Deborah Ottinger lit a candle in memory of William (Bill) Ottinger*



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**Henry&Deborah Ottinger** - September 01, 2019 at 11:27 PM

HO

*Karen&Family~Hank&I Are So Very Sorry For Your Loss...Our Thoughts&Prayers Are with All of You R.I.P. Bill*

Henry&Deborah Ottinger - September 01, 2019 at 11:32 PM

KS

*R.I.P. Bill you are loved and you will be missed by so many!!*

karen stewart - September 02, 2019 at 08:45 PM

JH

“ *Bill and Bob grew up together and were like brothers. It has been 38 yrs since I became friends with Bill. Never knew him not to smile or be happy! He was a super great man, loved his family and friends and loved to party, play music, go camping, boating, just enjoy life. My deepest condolences to you Karen, Andrea, Karen, and Dawn and your families. Also to Corey, Eleanor, Cath and Shelly. RIP Bill until we meet again!*

Jackie Hemple - September 01, 2019 at 10:38 PM

DP

“ *Eleanor and family, I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I saw him in the Deepwater Diner a couple of years ago and we had a pleasant chat. My deepest sympathies to all of you. I know he will be greatly missed.*  
*Dottie Chase Pecqueur*

Dottie Pecqueur - September 01, 2019 at 10:01 PM

RL

“ *FROM THE LEONARD FAMILY.REST IN PEACE BILLYAN.WE GREW UP THE TOGETHER IN PENNS GROVE.*

Raymond W Leonard - September 01, 2019 at 09:29 PM

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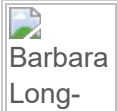
“ So sorry for your loss, Karen and Family. I enjoyed knowing Bill the few years I have lived next door. Your are great neighbors and Bill will be missed by Gussie and I.

loretta wyman & Gus Efelisll - September 01, 2019 at 04:36 PM

DS

“ Our sincere condolences for the entire family of Bill. Karen, your Karma Sisters are here for you with anything you need.

Deb Sillery - September 01, 2019 at 02:36 PM



Barbara Long-

My sincere condolences to the entire family. Karen to you for the loss of your soulmate and life partner. I remember seeing Bill at the Bruce Willis reunion back in 2003 in Atlantic City. I wasn't in the class I went with a friend. He was so full of life, happy, laughing, dancing, partying and that's how I will remember him. I really only knew him casually but I think my husband knew him. His stepfather was my uncle Rupert and I believe I told him that at the reunion. Aunt Ada got to know me when she worked at the school. It's a Small world... May they all now rest in peace together.

Barbara Long-Scerati - September 02, 2019 at 08:28 AM

JO

“ Rip bill. You will be missed by everyone . You always had a smile for everyone. Love you Prayers to your family

JoyceHaasch - September 01, 2019 at 01:53 PM

LD

“ Bill , Rest In Peace Buddy, you have been one of my best friends and Sherry and I will miss you . You and Karen are the best neighbors anyone could wish for and even better friends.

Larry Dougherty - September 01, 2019 at 01:14 PM

DG

*We are so sorry to hear that Bill passed. I'm sure Taz met him at heaven's gate. Our deepest sympathy to the love ones he left behind especially Karen. May your memories outweigh your grief.*  
*Rob and Debbie Gagliardi*

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**deborah gagliardi** - September 01, 2019 at 01:31 PM

BN

*I'm so sorry, Karen & family. My sincerest condolences to you.*

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**Becky Neu** - September 01, 2019 at 01:37 PM