



Bill B Fulbright

February 28, 1924 - June 18, 2013

Bill B. Fulbright, son of the late Clyde and Lonnie (Bryan) Fulbright, was born February 28, 1924 in Lebanon (Laclede County), Missouri. Bill grew up seven miles east of Lebanon and graduated from Stoutland High School in 1943.

While a student at Stoutland, Bill became friends with Lorene Barcroft and they soon became sweethearts. Bill was united in marriage with the love of his life on September 4, 1943 and spent the next 42 years together before she preceded him in death in 1985.

The same year as his marriage, Bill entered the United States Navy and served his country faithfully until his discharge in 1946. During his time in the Navy, he went to Farragut, Idaho for basic training and then was stationed in San Diego for a time. He was transferred to Bethesda, Maryland where he was trained to be an X-ray technician and was sent to Wake Island after the Marines had already secured it from the Japanese.

After being discharged from the Navy, Bill began working on Fort Leonard Wood and then started attending Missouri State for two years and continued his education at Missouri University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education.

Bill moved to Poplar Bluff and began teaching on the Veterans program for a

time before moving to Richland where he taught Vo-Ag for 17 years. Waynesville R-VI School District hired him as a counselor for a short time and then he became the first director of what is now known as the Waynesville Career Center. He served as the director for 24 years and retired in 1995.

Bill enjoyed being outdoors. He was known for his garden and all the produce that he loved to share with his friends and neighbors. He was a coin collector and also enjoyed hunting and fishing and was known to play a few rounds of golf. No one enjoyed watching sports as much as Bill, especially the St. Louis Cardinals.

At an early age, Bill made an important decision in his life and accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior. He was an avid student of the Bible and enjoyed teaching Sunday School to 7th graders at First Baptist Church of Richland where he was a longtime faithful member. He was also a member of the Scholarship Committee at the church and loved to help young people further their education. Bill served in the community with several different organizations and was on the Pulaski County Board for the Handicap.

Bill went home to be with his Lord Tuesday, June 18, 2013 in the Lake Regional Medical Center of Osage Beach, Missouri having attained the age of 89 years.

Bill will be sadly missed by all those that knew and loved him; especially his loving church family and a host of friends.

In addition to his parents and wife, Bill was preceded in death by an infant child; one brother: Dean Fulbright; two sisters: Lois Croft and Frieda Lillard; and one nephew: Jim Croft.

Cemetery Details

Stephens Cemetery

Sleeper, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **21**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Richland
101 N. Pine Street
Richland, MO

Service

JUN **21**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Richland
101 N. Pine Street
Richland, MO

Tribute Wall

SJ

“ SARA JONES lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright



SARA JONES - October 11, 2013 at 10:31 PM



“ Brian Anderson lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright



Brian Anderson - July 17, 2013 at 02:26 PM



I was a student at Waynesville . He was always so nice to me really enjoyed visiting with him.

Brian Anderson - July 17, 2013 at 02:30 PM

CD

“ Bill went to Stoutland school with my Mom. Great sense of humor and a truly nice guy. Was a great educator and a genuine person. He will be missed.

Cornelia & Robert Dodds - July 12, 2013 at 07:44 PM

PC

“ *Pamela Cox lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright*



Pamela Cox - June 21, 2013 at 03:41 PM

DM

“ *Kenneth, Dalene McDaniel and Family
Sue Pentecost and Family*



Dalene McDaniel - June 21, 2013 at 10:22 AM

YM

“ *I worked for Mr. Fulbright for 17 years in the Vocational School Office and he was a kind, tender hearted person. He loved to talk about his humming birds and his enthusiasm for these precious little ones gave me an interest in them as well. I have many fond memories of the days spent working there. God bless you, Mr. Fulbright for all the goodness you have shown to so many.*

Yvonne Mullins - June 21, 2013 at 08:47 AM

MK

“ I have many good memories of Mr. and Mrs. Fulbright. They were our class sponsors when I was in high school and accompanied us on our East Coast senior trip. That was 54 years ago. They were both popular teachers. They were also friends with my mom and dad. I never had him as a teacher because he taught Vocational Agriculture and girls didn't take that. I remember his faithful attendance at church and his loving care of Mrs. Fulbright. I'm sure he is celebrating with joy in Heaven.

Miriam Halter Kerns

Miriam Halter Kerns - June 20, 2013 at 04:58 PM

MW

“ No one will ever know how many people Bill Fulbright has helped till we get to Heaven! But he never wanted any recognition or praise. He quietly went about his life loving others and helping anyone who needed it.

He was one extraordinary man! When he was at WTA, we met. And when my husband took the Superintendent's job at Richland the first thing he did was invite us to revival at First Baptist Church. He is truly the main reason we became members there. If it was a good place for Bill Fulbright, it was a good place for us. His stamp of approval meant everything to those who knew him. He was one special guy, and we will miss him so much!

Martin and Georgia White - June 20, 2013 at 04:43 PM

LW

“ I will always remember my Uncle Bill, his beautiful roses, wonderful tomatoes, and the loving relationship he had with my Aunt Lorene.

Lora Wasmer - June 20, 2013 at 02:21 PM

YM

“ *Lit a candle in memory of Bill B. Fulbright.*
Yvonne Mullins

Yvonne Mullins - June 20, 2013 at 01:01 PM

LS

“ *Linda Cole Schonbok lit a candle in memory
of Bill B Fulbright*



linda cole schonbok - June 20, 2013 at 10:34 AM

GS

“ *Gordon Scott lit a candle in memory of Bill B
Fulbright*



Gordon Scott - June 20, 2013 at 09:37 AM

MS

“ *Marge Scott lit a candle in memory of Bill B
Fulbright*



Marge Scott - June 20, 2013 at 09:35 AM

BA

“ *Bill Anderson lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright*



Bill Anderson - June 20, 2013 at 07:54 AM

DG

“ *Don And Linda Goforth lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright*



Don and Linda Goforth - June 20, 2013 at 07:46 AM

JA

“ *Jinnie Alexander lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright*



Jinnie Alexander - June 20, 2013 at 07:45 AM

FS

“ I'll never forget him. As I attended the Waynesville vocational school how he helped me. He was an awesome person and would do anything in the world for anyone. He let me and a friend watch a locker in the high school because someone was breaking into it. After we watched it for almost a half a day, he told us to go grab some lunch anywhere we wanted to! We thought that it was cool to do that. So we did. Like I said, he was a very fair principal and would do anything for anybody!

Felton Shoemaker - June 19, 2013 at 10:27 PM

WD

“ Wayne & Carolyn Denton lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright



Wayne & Carolyn Denton - June 19, 2013 at 10:13 PM

EH

“ Ed And Jana Howlett lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright



Ed and Jana Howlett - June 19, 2013 at 09:39 PM

RD

“ Regina Decker lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright



Regina Decker - June 19, 2013 at 09:24 PM

CG

“ It was an honor to know him and work for him. He was a kind and generous man and did many thing for kids without them knowing about it. I remember many times on school trips and he would give money for kids who didn't have it but he would not want them to know where it came from. He did many acts of kindness and never once wanted credit for it. He was a man of integrity, generosity and compassion and I respected and loved him. He taught me many life lessons. (He also grew the biggest and best tomatoes I ever had!) Peace be with you Mr. Fulbright.

Cindy Grizzell - June 19, 2013 at 09:04 PM

CG

“ Cindy Grizzell lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright



Cindy Grizzell - June 19, 2013 at 08:33 PM



“ He was a great teacher. He will be missed. Prayers are being sent out to friends and family.

Douglas Weller - June 19, 2013 at 08:03 PM

MS

“ *Marlin Stevens lit a candle in memory of Bill B Fulbright*



Marlin Stevens - June 19, 2013 at 02:05 PM