



William Lawrence Knight

September 4, 1948 - July 8, 2019

PORTLAND—William Lawrence Knight, 70, passed away on July 8, 2019 at Maine Medical Center. He was born on September 4, 1948, a son of John and Lorena (Gerrish) Knight.

Bill grew up in Portland and was a graduate of Deering High School. He went on to enlist in the United States Marine Corp where he proudly served his country from 1968 to 1970. On December 21, 1986 he married Barbara “Barbie” Grant. His service in the military led him to be a member of various local organizations including the American Legion Post 17 in Portland, and the Amvets Charles Loring Post 25 on Washington Ave in Portland, where he worked at the bar for 27 years, including the position of bar manager for 20 years. He was also a lifetime member of the Eagles Club in Portland, and a member of the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge in Scarborough.

Bill, known to some as “Uncle Billy” or “Papa” had an unforgettable personality, and did not turn down a good time. He was often seen sitting on his porch drinking a Coors or taking his chances at the casino. He loved to travel and spend time swimming in his pool. Most of all he loved his family.

He is survived by his daughter Heidi Knight Jackson and her husband Bruce; a brother, Richmond Knight and his wife Nan; grandchildren, Greg Knight, Mariah Knight, Tarsha Wheeler, Dayna Grant, Kody Grant and Brianna Rawding and DeAnairah Blake; and two great grandchildren, Connor Knight and Jordyn Blake.

He was predeceased by his loving wife, Barbie Knight; a son William Knight Jr.; a sister, Diana Grindle; and a grandchild, Troy Knight.

A period of visitation will be held on Monday, July 15, 2019 from 10am to 11am at the Windham Chapel of Dolby Blais & Segee, 434 River Rd., Windham, ME 04038, until the start of the service at 11. Interment will follow at Forest City Cemetery in South Portland.

Cemetery

Forest City

South Portland, ME, 04106

Events

JUL **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Dolby, Blais & Segee - Windham Chapel
434 River Road, Windham, ME, US, 04062

JUL **Funeral Service** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Billy Knight was one of a kind. Excellent with numbers and a heart huge. He would help anyone in need but was not a pushover. Billy was my bestfriend and I can still hear his advice . Rest in peace
With tremendous love and respect forever



Katherine Veneziano - July 14 at 03:25 PM



“ Elizabeth Darling lit a candle in memory of William Lawrence Knight



Elizabeth Darling - July 13 at 10:22 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Lawrence Knight.



July 12 at 07:27 AM



“ Will always be in my heart Billy

Helen - July 12 at 06:56 AM



“ My father has been there for me for 39 years. He met my mother when I was just an infant and was with her up until she passed. He continued to be a loving father giving advice or just being there when you needed him. raising Donna and I even though we weren't his biological children he often told us he didn't care we were his children. It goes to show the kind of man that sticks out the tough times and enjoys the good times with the woman that he loved and his children. A lifetime of memories a great relationship advice that is priceless this man will surely be missed by many but never forgotten by me. I love you Dad rest in peace.

Shanepatrick Grant - July 12 at 12:11 AM



“ Billy was a great person to me and alot of other people he would gave his shit off his back if he had to that was how he was to people that he cared for and loved he will be missed by his family and friends I just hope that people will remember all the good things that he has done for them and be kind to one other that is what he would want so Billy rest in peace my friend. Your friend always Gerry.

Geraldine tarvers - July 11 at 08:48 PM



“ Richard Egeland sent a virtual gift in memory of William Lawrence Knight



Richard Egeland - July 11 at 05:13 PM



“ Gone but not forgotten

Richard Egeland - July 11 at 05:20 PM



“ Christina Guthrie lit a candle in memory of William Lawrence Knight



Christina Guthrie - July 11 at 05:11 PM



“ All are in my thoughts and prayers

Richard Egeland - July 11 at 05:22 PM



“ The Heart Of A Grieving Friend

Billy, I wish I could wake up and see you standing there.

Then I would know that this is all a nightmare.

I remember the first day i shook your hand,

i knew as we grew older we would become best friends.

I have 39 years of memories that I will treasure and keep safe in my heart.

We share a bond as brothers in arms that time can never break apart.

My Friend, oh how my heart aches so.

I did not have your back and now i must let you go.

I remember where there was happiness,

and now there is sadness.

So Billy, until that approaching day when I see you again,

I will look among the stars for my Brother and best friend.

Always your Friend

Lew

Lewin - July 11 at 06:47 PM



“ My heart is grieving William was a great person I have known him since I was 16 years old

I always spent just about every weekend at his house with his daughter Donna always

made you laugh smile talk everything he is going to be missed deeply til we meet again

friend fly high with the angel always friend Julie profenno

julia profenno - July 11 at 06:55 PM



“ Billy and Barbara were amazing couple and now they are together Donna you had the best

„ love you and Billy always was a kind man .. im sure many at the amvets where he worked

for so long will be thinking of him. Donna im sorry ox love you. he was a gem of a man..

great dad and awesome to Barb

Deb - July 11 at 08:46 PM



“ He will be missed by so many. RIP

Don & Sharon Picard - July 12 at 06:35 AM



“ Heidi & Bruce, I am so sorry for your unexpected loss. You both are in my thoughts and

prayers. Love Always, Marilyn (Mom) XOXO

Marilyn Edwards - July 12 at 07:06 AM