



Billie Dan Adkison

December 4, 1933 - July 21, 2010

Billie Dan Adkison passed away at 12:09 p.m., Wednesday, July 21, 2010, at St. John's Regional Medical Center, Springfield, Missouri, at the age of 76 years.

Bill, one of three sons born to the union of the late Sherman Elvis and Rose M. (Stout) Adkison, was born December 4, 1933 in Richland, Missouri.

Bill attended the Turkey Ridge, Richland and Morrow grammar schools. He went to Richland High School, graduating with the Class of 1952.

Bill served his country in the Air Force from 1954 to 1963. He was trained as a police officer during his military service. Bill was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal with two bronze loops, and the AFLSA.

On May 16, 1957, in Hatfield, Arkansas, Bill was united in marriage with Myrtle Mae Colley. Bill and Myrtle shared over 53 years of marriage, and were blessed with two wonderful children: Dee Ann and Dan. Their family grew to include Dee Ann's husband, Todd, and later, their beloved grandchildren: Matthew, David and Morgan.

With his Air Force law enforcement training, Bill accepted a position with the

Bellevue, Nebraska police force; a job he held for 31 years (1963-1994). In 1997, Bill and Myrtle moved back to Richland to retire and make their home. Bill enjoyed the Ozarks outdoors, especially fishing. He loved music, and played the auto harp, harmonica, flute, banjo and several other instruments. He also enjoyed reading.

As a young boy, Bill professed his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ at the Morrow School building, where services were held on Sundays. He was baptized in the Gasconade River. He was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Richland, and the American Legion Post 240, where he assisted with military honors services for many, many veterans. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

Bill leaves his wife: Myrtle; two children: Dee Ann King (Todd), Loveland, CO and Dan Adkison, Washington, IA; two brothers: George Adkison, Jefferson City and Terry Adkison (Linda), Russellville; three grandchildren: Matthew King (Christina), David King and Morgan Adkison; one niece, one nephew, other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, Bill was preceded in death by his grandparents: Daniel Webster Adkison and Effie Reed Adkison.

In honor of longtime member Billie Adkison American Legion Post 240 began the services with a roll call at 10:50 A.M. with the funeral service beginning at 11:00 A.M., Friday, July 23, 2010, in the Memorial Chapel of Richland with Dr. Robert A. Lilly officiating. Soloist & pianist Vivian King sang "In The Garden" and led the congregation as they sang "Amazing Grace", a CD playing "Daddy's Hands" was also played. Serving as pallbearers were George Adkison, Terry Adkison, Jeff Adkison, Bob Shockley, David King and Matthew King. Honorary escorts were Dan Adkison, Todd King, Freeman Colley, Walter McMahan and Orville Roberts. Burial followed in the Center Point cemetery of

Richland with Pastor Lilly reading a poem entitled "Safe In The Arms of Jesus". The American Legion Post 240 of Richland provided military honors.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Richland Bears High School Girls Fast Pitch Softball Team or Warren Senior Center.

Online condolences may be sent to www.memorialchapelsandcrematory.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Billie Dan Adkison*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ *Billie Dan Adkison*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *##imported-begin##Jeffery A. Luce##imported-end##*

April 03, 2012 at 02:37 AM



“ *Mrytle and family-I was so sorry to hear of Billy's passing. Unfortunately, I was unaware until just recently. He was my training officer and Sgt at Bellevue P.D. Billy trained the core of Bellevue P.D. officers during the growth of Bellevue and I truly believe he made the Department what it is today.##imported-begin##Steve Baker##imported-end##*

August 31, 2010 at 08:19 AM



“ Myrtle - My thoughts and prayers are with you and my heart goes out to you. I so admired Billy Dan for his musical talents, his servant heart, and his love of our Lord and Savior. I enjoyed hearing him play his autoharp and know that he's playing now with the heavenly band.###imported-begin##Tamarah Newell###imported-end##

July 28, 2010 at 05:48 PM



“ Mrs. Myrtle, I was so sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Billy Dan. Dad (Al) Tate and I did not find out until after the services were over. Please know, that we are praying for you during this time of great loss.
Love and prayers, Terry and Mary Ann Tate###imported-begin##Mary Ann Tate###imported-end##

July 24, 2010 at 07:11 PM



“ Very sorry to hear of the passing of Billy D. He was my Training Sergeant and street Segeant. He will be missed greatly. Prayers and thoughts to the Adkison family.

Joe Jeanette###imported-begin##Joe Jeanette###imported-end##

July 23, 2010 at 04:03 PM



“ Myrtle and Family ~ we are sorry to learn of Billy's passing. He touched so many people at Bellevue PD.###imported-begin##Bill and Debbie Gumm###imported-end##

July 23, 2010 at 03:10 PM



“ I was a dispatcher for Billie D in Bellevue. He always made me smile. Very fond memmories of him. Prayers for his family and condolences on the loss.##imported-begin##Jodi Legband##imported-end##

July 23, 2010 at 11:09 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear about the loss of Billie D. We worked with him for many years, and he was my training officer when i joined the police dept. Both Jane and i are with you during this time of loss. again our condolences to Myrtle the the family. Frank & Jane Lave.##imported-begin##Frank Lave##imported-end##

July 22, 2010 at 09:19 PM



“ Myrtle and Family, So very sorry for your loss, it was a shock to learn of his passing.
A bunch of us kids always had fun cave exploring when kids. We will all miss Billy Dan very much, he was a great Guy.##imported-begin##Delores Brown Smith---Dittmer Mo.63023##imported-end##

July 22, 2010 at 08:34 PM



“ Your family is in my thoughts & prayers
I always enjoyed being aroud Billy Dan.##imported-begin##LaDonne Bartlett Wood##imported-end##

July 22, 2010 at 08:15 PM



“ Dear Ones,
You are all in our thoughts and prayers now and in the difficult days ahead. Billy Dan was so faithful to our church, and he will be sadly missed. I so enjoyed hearing him play the offertory. Please know that our thoughts and prayers will be with each one of you.##imported-begin##Martin and Georgia White##imported-end##

July 22, 2010 at 04:50 PM



“ Death leaves a heartache no one can heal. love leaves a memory no one can steal. Prayers are for you and family. bob and gayle ann brandon##imported-begin##Bob and gayle ann brandon##imported-end##

July 22, 2010 at 02:49 PM



“ Myrtle, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. He will be missed.
Love Penni##imported-begin##Penni Weiss##imported-end##

July 22, 2010 at 07:47 AM



“ Sorry for your loss. Going to miss seeing your Husband/Dad at the Richland High softball games. Really enjoyed talking with him. He has been such a great supporter of the softball program. The softball girls are really going to miss him. You are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Tina Ganoë##imported-end##

July 21, 2010 at 11:45 PM



“ You're in our thoughts and prayers.
Wishing you and your family strength and peace.
Kenneth McDaniel and Family
Sue Pentecost and Family###imported-begin##Dalene
McDaniel###imported-end##

July 21, 2010 at 09:47 PM



“ Myrtle and Family, We are thinking of you at this time. You are in
our thoughts and prayers!!! God Bless You!

Love, James, Beth, Justin Rachau
Pat Wilson and Jim Colvin###imported-begin##Beth
Rachau###imported-end##

July 21, 2010 at 09:20 PM