



William Lee Shy

April 23, 1932 - December 22, 2012

William Lee Shy, son of the late William Earl and Opal M. (Sheridan) Shy, was born April 23, 1932 in Ollie, Iowa where he grew up and attended school.

As a young man, William entered the United States Army and served his country faithfully for 20 years, 3 months and 11 days. He had attained the rank of Specialist 6. For his faithful service he earned several awards and commendations; some of which include: the Purple Heart, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal w/device, 6 Overseas Service Bars, Occupation Medal (Japan) Combat Infantry Badge, Korean Service Medal w/3 Bronze Service Stars w/Oak Leaf Cluster, National Defense Service Medal, and Good Conduct Medal w/3 Bronze Loops. William was honored to be named Retiree of the Year at Fort Leonard Wood where he spent his entire military career.

After retiring from the military, William was able to spend time volunteering for different organizations, which he loved to do. In his spare time, he enjoyed being outdoors, whether it was mushroom hunting or taking care of his yard. He loved spending time with his fellow veterans and was a member of the Disabled American Veterans, Korean War Association and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was also a 50 year member of the Masonic Lodge in Iowa.

On June 4, 1953, William was united in marriage to the love of his life, Edna

Arlene Conger in Matha, Kansas. They shared over 59 years of marriage together and many wonderful memories. They were blessed with three children: Randy, Diana and Larry.

William was truly a family man and loved spending time with his family. He was a wonderful husband, father and grandfather. His family will miss him dearly, but will hold him in their hearts forever.

William passed away Saturday, Dec. 22, 2012 in Phelps County Regional Medical Center, of Rolla, Missouri having attained the age of 80 years. He will be sadly missed by all those that knew and loved him.

William leaves to cherish his memory, his loving wife, Arlene of the home; a son, Randy Shy of St. Robert, MO; a daughter, Diana Brownfield and husband, William, of St. Robert, MO; 4 grandchildren: SrA Kyle Shy (Air Force), William Angela and Jennifer; 5 great-grandchildren: Alexis, Abbigale, Rebecca, Mariah and Brayden; a brother, Donald Keith Shy of the State of Iowa; a number of nieces and nephews; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, William was preceded in death by his son: Larry Lee Shy and one sister: Betty Lou Wonderlick.

Funeral services with military honors were held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, December 27, 2012 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Chaplain Mark Mortensen officiating. The song "The Old Rugged Cross" was played. Military honors were provided by the United States Army of Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of William Shy and may be left at the funeral home.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **26**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert
202 Historic 66 W.
Waynesville, MO 65583
(573) 774-6111
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

Service

DEC **27**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of William Lee Shy*



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - December 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *William Lee Shy*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Bill was a great friend. We had many laughs at the DAV where he sold bingo cards. I played bingo and Bill was always happy for me when I won. Later when I ran for county office, he was one of the first to support me by letting me put a sign on the property. Bill will be missed by many, and he made a difference in the lives of those who had the pleasure of meeting him, be it with a smile or the kind words he always had for others. I did not know Bill had passed or I would have been there for his family. God bless you all.*



Ted Helms - March 14, 2013 at 05:31 PM

SW

“ *Shaunna Weber lit a candle in memory of William Lee Shy*



Shaunna Weber - January 03, 2013 at 06:17 PM

MW

“ *To the Shy family, Sorry to hear of your loss. William was a true soldier up to the end serving his country and family. We have you in our prayers and thoughts. May God bless and comfort all of you now and in the days ahead. Love and prayers from Delmar and Lyndia Williams*

Msg(Ret) Delmar and Lyndia Williams - December 26, 2012 at 02:01 PM

MS

“ *Marge Scott lit a candle in memory of William Lee Shy*



Marge Scott - December 26, 2012 at 10:29 AM

MS

Arlene and Family, we are so sorry to hear about the passing of Bill. Our prayers are with you and family and prayer will help the sorrow you are feeling. May the Lord wrap his arms around you and comfort. God Bless you. Scott and Marge

Marge Scott - December 26, 2012 at 10:33 AM

MS

“ *Marlin Stevens lit a candle in memory of William Lee Shy*



Marlin Stevens - December 26, 2012 at 07:15 AM

PC

“ *Pamela Cox lit a candle in memory of William Lee Shy*



Pamela Cox - December 25, 2012 at 07:20 PM

DW

“ *Delmar And Lyndia Williams lit a candle in memory of William Lee Shy*



Delmar and Lyndia Williams - December 25, 2012 at 07:35 AM