



William Robert Squires

January 25, 1942 - January 4, 2023

With broken hearts we announce the tragic passing of William (Bill) Squires, just shy of his 81st birthday. Bill joined his wife Marilyn on Jan 4th, whom he has missed every day since her passing 4 years ago. We hold true in our hearts that they are together again.

Bill is survived by his daughter Kelly Ozols (Harold), son Jason Squires (Stacey), grandchildren, Alecia, Dylan and Ryan, great grandchildren, Noah, Nevaeh, and Adalyn, and many families and friends who will miss him dearly.

As a young man Bill served in the Airforce, following that he worked the remainder of his career in various sales positions, until finally retiring from Coats Patons. Bill (the Yarn Man as many called him) made lifelong friends everywhere he went. After retirement and for the past 17 years, Bill spent his days working as a Commissionaire. At 80 and not wanting to sit around doing nothing (as he put it) he was very grateful his age, who had more to give was able to find daily happiness working as Commissionaire. Thank you to everyone at the head office, your kindness and heartfelt condolences meant so much to us. To those who he had the pleasure of working with, he spoke of you all with such pride and gratitude, thank you for making his days brighter.

To the family and friends who were by our sides through our darkest days, words of thanks will never be enough, we are incredibly grateful for each of

you.

To the First Responders, the Trauma team at the Halifax Infirmary, the Nursing staff on 7.2 and the many care teams you helped get us through it all, you were able to give us 108 more hours with him. A gift of time that seems short but has not been lost on us just how precious that gift was, we are forever grateful and sincerely, we thank you.

Following Bills wishes cremation has taken place with the help of Harbourside Regional Crematorium. The family will come together at a later date to celebrate the reuniting of Bill and Marilyn, 56 living years together, now together for all eternity.

If you wish to commemorate Bills memory, we encourage you to take a moment and thank the healthcare workers and first responders for ALL they do. If your wish is to give in his memory, donations can be made to a charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall

WM

“ To Bill's family and friends:

I'm so sorry to learn today of Bill's passing. We both lived on the 1st floor at Masthead Court.

It was at the height of the pandemic that Bill's "window stick" had fallen down into its guard position when he stepped out onto his patio, and as a result he became "trapped" out in "our backyard". I saw this man out there that I wasn't recognizing walk past the edge of my patio a couple of times while intently peering inside my apartment and then at last he approached my door. Through the glass, he motioned me closer and then asked if I could please help him by notifying our superintendent of his dilemma. He felt rather embarrassed by this mishap. Soon after, I found that a lovely thank you note had been slipped under my door expressing gratitude for my assistance and applauding me for having the good sense of not opening up my door to a stranger. It has been very nice to say "hello" and acknowledge each other when gathering our mail from the lobby or seeing to our garbage and at other times in the building when our paths crossed.

During one of our "yarns" he shared with me about a visit to Ontario to see family and the misfortune of catching covid. He has spoken to me as well of how very much he missed his wife.

May you all find strength and comfort in dealing with your great loss.

*Sincerely,
Wendy MacKenzie (Unit 108)*

Wendy MacKenzie - February 27, 2023 at 09:52 PM

MI

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Bill late last year when I started at CCG. He was such a pleasant man and always had a smile for all at CCG. I enjoyed knowing and sharing many yarns with Bill. I truly believe you are at peace with your loving wife that you spoke so often of 🙏

Michelle - February 02, 2023 at 07:58 AM

LH

“ My sincere condolences to Bill's family. I have had the pleasure of seeing Bill's smiling face at the CCG building almost daily where he worked as a Commissionaire. A true professional and friend, his warmth and kindness is truly missed. There were very few days that we did not stop to chat and share some tidbit about our lives. Bill's pride in not only his Air Force Service but also his service with the Commissionaires was something he wore with pride and anyone who met him could see that. He loved coming to work here and we loved seeing him. Rest easy my friend, your watch is done.

Laurel Hache - January 16, 2023 at 07:31 AM

RS

“ My sincere condolences to all members of the Squires family, and friends. I had the good fortune to work with Bill during his time with HRP West Division. Professional and courteous with the public (no nonsense), an all around great guy, and many good laughs during 'slow-times'. HRP was fortunate to have Bill with us, and we very much appreciated him. Again, best wishes to his family and friends. Randy Snow (ret)

Randy Snow - January 15, 2023 at 11:40 AM

PW

“ 1 file added to the album *Tribute Wall*



pat wieslow - January 14, 2023 at 01:03 PM

KA

“ *I only met Bill very recently. Unfortunately Covid interfered with getting to know him very well. Bill was my 1st cousin. His birth mother, Ruby, was my father's sister. My condolences and thoughts go out to his children and grandchildren.*

Kathy Allison - January 14, 2023 at 01:02 PM

JF

I Have known Bill for a long time. He married my niece, Marilyn, and became a special member of the family. I especially enjoyed the many brunches my late husband and I attended along with other family members, at The Inn On The Lake. My heart goes out to Kelly, Jason and their families this time. It is never easy to lose a loved one. You are in my thoughts and prayers
Aunt Joan

Joan Firth - January 14, 2023 at 02:29 PM

DC

My sincere condolences to the Family. Bill, a 1st cousin I never had the pleasure to meet.
Donna Allison Chapman

Donna Chapman - January 15, 2023 at 03:07 PM

KA

“ *Kathy Allison lit a candle in memory of William Robert Squires*



Kathy Allison - January 14, 2023 at 12:56 PM

PW

“ *My half-brother was quite the story teller. He was passionate about his beliefs and opinions...and he was kind, very kind. On one of our visits to the East Coast ,my husband had a medical emergency and we ended up back in Halifax in the hospital .I phoned the Squires to tell them we were back and Bill came and sat with me in emergency for hours holding my hand while I waited for info from the doctors.R.I.P. Bill*
Pat

pat wieshlow - January 14, 2023 at 12:32 PM

ME

“ *This is so sad. Bill was such an amazing man. The first time I met him was at one of the Bedford malls. He approached me to turn over a wallet he had found. I don't remember when he came to the west office of the Halifax police but I remember many conversations about his days as the "yarn man". I truly missed him when I left that division and he moved on as well. He was just a joy to be around and always speaking of the love of his life, I know he was lost without her. Truly a loss. My sincere condolences to his family.*

Michelle everson - January 14, 2023 at 09:10 AM

NM

“ So sorry to hear about Bill's passing. I had the pleasure of working with him at Halifax Regional Police and I loved popping in to the West office to have a chat and a laugh. An amazing person gone too soon. He was a gem and I am honored to have known and worked with him. My condolences to his friends and family,

Nancy Miller

Nancy Miller - January 14, 2023 at 08:37 AM

SF

“ My condolences to Kelly and Jason. I worked with Bill at Halifax Regional Police for many years, got to meet your Mom as well. Bill was one of a kind, very professional and very caring for everyone that he came in touch with. I will miss him. Rest easy Bill

Sandi Foster

sandi foster - January 14, 2023 at 08:09 AM

MS

“ I had the pleasure to have met Bill while he worked with the Commissionaires at the front desk of the Halifax Regional Police-West Division.

His military training was evident to me from the first day I met him . He was so calm, polite and professional, not just to his co workers, but all members of the public who he assisted .

Bill was very well respected and very much part of our POLICE family.

God speed Bill

*Michael P SPEARNS
Sgt Ret'd
Halifax Regional Police*

michael SPEARNS - January 14, 2023 at 06:35 AM

CF

“ *My condolences to Bill's family. He was a pleasure to work with at the Bedford office of the Halifax Regional Police. I enjoyed our daily chats and he never hesitate to assist me or the public. He often talked of his family and I was fortunate enough to meet Marilyn a few times when she dropped into the office to see him. He made it known how much he loved her and his family. He was a gentleman and enjoyed working with people. May he rest in peace.*

Cliff Falkenham - January 14, 2023 at 05:39 AM

SM

“*Kel, what a wonderful story you shared of your dad. My memory is of a kind man who welcomed me as a student into your Kitchener home, fed us, made us laugh and gave great advice (do NOT sleep in the car in Grand Bend - get a room!) Celebrate your dad's life as you think of all the great memories of the past 55 years. I hope you can feel the tight hug I am sending. Love Shel*

Shelly Mlynarczyk - January 13, 2023 at 04:25 PM