



William "Bill" Ruiz

November 12, 1960 - June 3, 2024

William "Bill" Lee Ruiz, 63, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Monday, June 3, 2024, peacefully at his residence.

He was born November 12, 1960, in St. Louis, to Gary and Elaine Anderson Ruiz.

Bill was a Licensed Practical Nurse for 33 years specializing in long-term care for the elderly. If a person had or has a loved one in a care facility, Bill was the kind of nurse families pray to have.

Survivors include his parents; sister, Deborah (Bill) Kasting; brother, Ken Ruiz; four nieces and nephews, Shannon (Denny) Thompson, Todd Rose, Jeremy Ruiz, and Meagen (Jon) Kessler. Bill is also survived by numerous great nieces and nephews.

The family wishes services to be private but appreciate the thoughts and prayers expressed by the community.

Memorial contributions may be given to Southeast Missouri Pets 180 Weston Street, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 .

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Ford & Sons Funeral Home - Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ My brother Bill was my best friend. He was a caring, and loving man. He loved his family. His 2 nieces Shannon Rose Thompson, and Meagan Ruiz Kessler, and his 2 nephews Jeremy Ruiz and Todd Rose were the lights of his life.

He loved animals all his life. When he was a small child 4 to 5 years of age he would make animals out of plastic bread bages and bread twist ties. He showed his amazing artist abilities at that young age. He loved to create, draw, and paint. He read and reread books about all kinds of animals and birds. He could cook, sing and brought joy to his family and friends.

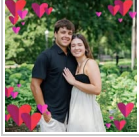
He studied nursing and was committed to providing quality care to the elderly. Caring was part of his nature from childhood through his adult years.

He became gravely ill after getting his 3rd COVID booster. He and I believe this is what destroyed his health. Doctors believe it damaged his heart and kidneys. After being ill for close to 2 years he passed away peacefully at his home on June 3rd 2024. He left behind his parents Gary and Elaine Ruiz, his older sister Deborah Ruiz (Rose) Kasting and his older brother Kenneth Ruiz.

I will miss him, his friendship and companionship until the day I see him again in our Lord's glory. Rest well my brother in our Lord's arms. I will love as long as I live.

Deborah E. Ruiz (Rose) Kasting.

Deborah Ruiz Kasting - March 04 at 08:30 PM



“ *My loving, caring baby brother. I will miss you everyday day of my life, until we are together again. You weren't just my brother, but also my best friend. My heart is broken and my life will never be the same without our daily phone conversations. I feel lost and feel a piece of my heart is missing. I hope you know how much I love you. I pray you are happy and pain free in our Lord's loving arms. I will carry you in my heart until I see you again.
All my love from your big sister Debbie.*

Deborah Ruiz Kasting - June 20, 2024 at 04:57 PM

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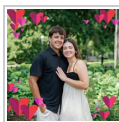
“ *My cousin Bill I have great fond memories of when we were kids. Haven't seen Billy for many many years. He was always such a sweet loving cousin. I know he was truly loved by his family. Brenda Caudle Gonzales*

Brenda - June 15, 2024 at 09:48 AM

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“ *Bill was the most pleasant man, he was loved by many, our deepest sympathy for the family. Prayer for the family. Go Rest High on THAT Mountain, my friend. Mercy Primary Care Team
Jessica/Shelly God Bless!*

shelly, Mercy Primary Care - June 10, 2024 at 05:14 PM



*Thank you for sharing, and your sympathy.
From Bill's big sister, Debbie*

Deborah Ruiz Kasting - May 03 at 10:14 AM

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“ *Memories of Bill were when he was just the cutest little guy about 3 or 4 years of age. Friends of his parents. As parents also, our deepest sympathy to the entire family as you never expect to bury your children. We are SO sorry.*

Barbara Hoyt - June 07, 2024 at 12:08 PM