



William C. HardinIII

August 4, 1937 - January 18, 2014

William C. "Bill" Hardin III, 76, of Alton died at 2:15 p.m. on Saturday, January 18, 2014 at Alton Memorial Hospital. He was born August 4, 1937 in Alton the son of the late W. Clark Hardin II and Bernadine L. (Lister) Hardin. He was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Godfrey. Bill attained his pilot's license at the age of 16. He owned and operated Bill's Hobby Shop from 1953-1980. After closing the hobby shop he sold cars and insurance for a few years. Most recently he worked for 8 years at Lambert International Airport as a TSA agent. He married Donna M. Browning on February 10, 1962 in Alton and she survives. Surviving are five children; William C. "Buddy" Hardin IV(Barbara) of St. Charles, MO, Dana B. Hardin M.D. (Julie) of Ivins, Utah, Ian Thomas Hardin, J.D. of Alton, Melissa Pruitt (Mark) of Godfrey and Derek Wilson Hardin of Alton, 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one sister, Barbara Grant. Visitation will be from 4:00-8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Funeral services will be on Thursday at 10:00 a.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 6500 Humbert Road, and Godfrey with Bishop Dave Hargiss officiating. Memorials may be made to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Missionary Fund for his grandson, Yuri.

Tribute Wall



“ *William C. HardinIII*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *William C. HardinIII*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Aunt Donna,
My condolences for your loss. Please know that I'm thinking of you.
Your neice Michelle*

Michelle Grant - January 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *William C. HardinIII*

Ludmila Smirnova - January 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are so sad to learn of Bill's passing. He was always such a character and lots of fun and a good friend. We know he will be missed very much by all who knew him including us!*

David and Gloria McGaughey - January 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *I'm sorry to hear of the loss of your husband and father.*

Beverly Booker - January 22, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ Sympathy to all the family. Thoughts and prayers are with you

K Williamson - January 21, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ I am a retired Flight Safety Coordinator for the Div. of Aeronautics/IDOT and have personally known and conversed with Bill ever since his days as owner/operator of his Hobby Shop. Back in the late '60's and early '70's I and my (then) young sons would visit and acquire the model rockets and aircraft that he sold. THAT made lasting memories for my sons. They remember him well. Since then I talked to him over the years .. he was quite an aviation enthusiast .. he visited us at seminars we held in SPI over the years. REST IN PEACE, BILL

Dale L. Rust - January 21, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Bill was one of a kind. He was always a big kid and we kids loved him for that. His sister Barb lived on Agnes Street in Alton by my mom and dad. I will always remember him and how good he was so cool we thought when we were kids. RIP.....

Ralph Ford - January 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM

J)

“ Love to family. Great memories of Bill.

Jackie White (Henry) - January 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ Sympathy goes out to the family at this time of loss. May peace come with time. I have many good memories with which to remember Bill.
Greg and Cathy Lister

Greg Lister - January 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ So sorry to learn of Bill's death. Aunt Pat and I always wondered where Bill and Donna were living. Somehow we managed to loose touch. Unfortunately, we also lost Aunt Pat this past 4/13/2013. If any of the cousins would like to stay in touch, I can be reached at [pj ecnp@gmail.com](mailto:ecnp@gmail.com)

Pat (Henry) Estep - January 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ My deepest sympathy for your loss. Have fond memories of Billy , Clark and Bea at the Hobby Shop.

You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Aunt Phyllis

Phyllis Kennedy (John Kennedy) - January 19, 2014 at 12:00 AM