



William "Bill" Don Licking

October 15, 1944 - November 23, 2024

NORFOLK – Memorial services for William (Bill) Don Licking, 80, of Norfolk, will be held at a later date. Bill passed away on Saturday, November 23, 2024 at the Bel Air Nursing Home in Norfolk, NE surrounded by his family. Stonacek Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Bill was born on October 15, 1944 in Jackson, Michigan to Edward and Evelyn (Seekell) Licking. Bill attended and graduated Michigan Center High School in 1963. He then would attend college. On November 15, 1964 he married Diane Snow at the Michigan Center Bible Church in Michigan Center, Michigan. They were blessed with 60 years of marriage.

Bill had many different jobs over the years including a milk man, a painter, supply manager for Clark Equipment, a hospital orderly, and finally a missionary. Bill and Diane traveled the world, enjoying work as missionaries. He was a member of New Tribes Mission. He and Diane would do missionary work in Papua New Guinea as dorm parents and in Mexico as guest house personnel. This was by far his favorite job. He found great delight in hosting other missionaries and making everything about their stay special. He loved antiquing and fixing up old antiques. He also loved interior decorating, and sharing the gospel. Bill would talk to people and make friends wherever he went.

William is survived by his wife Diane, 5 children Christopher (Jorie) Licking, Matthew (Rebecca) Licking, Bradley (Mari) Licking, Chad (Brooke) Licking, & Kim (Elliot) Nordby; grandchildren Nicki, Thomas, Jennifer; Lauren, Tyler, Brett; Brandon, Bennett; Andrew, Caleb, Levi, Joshua, Jacob, Christian, Ethan, & Benny; great grandchildren Alli, Brendan, James, Thea, Owen, Peyton, Blakely, Nora, Brigham, Annalynn, & Rowan.

He is preceded in death by his parents Edward and Evelyn, and 3 brothers Albert, Richard, and David.

Tribute Wall

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“ Bill and Di were the ultimate hosts for the mission guest house. He made homemade mints with our girls once so we could run some errands without them in El Paso. We had many lovely breakfasts with them as well. Loved the extra touches to the breakfast table to make it memorable. Bill loved God and loved telling about Jesus. He will be missed. Hugs to you, Di, kids and grandkids. May God meet you as you walk through this loss in a very special way. Kevin and Wendy Case

Wendy Case - November 30, 2024 at 12:59 PM

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Thank you for sharing this Wendy!!

Kim Nordby - December 03, 2024 at 10:58 AM

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I just heard the news! Our deepest condolences. He was a wonderful man and his testimonies about the miracles of the Lord impacted my life greatly. My mom talks about him often. Praying for all of you as you walk out this journey. Special prayers for Ms. Di.

Cassie (Cordova) Mathis

Cassandra Mathis - January 04, 2025 at 04:20 PM