

WILLIAM "BILL" THOMAS CROOKE
July 6, 1941 - September 1, 2018



William Thomas Crooke, 77, of Pensacola, Florida, was called home by Our Lord on September 1, 2018. Born to William H. Crooke and Lillian I. Kersey on July 6th, 1941, William was a truck driver for many years to provide for his wife and 5 children and did so with great pride. He was our hero and the most wonderful husband, father, grandfather, uncle, and friend anybody could be so lucky to have. He was a very patient and saint of a man. He was a very wholesome Christian man who loved the Lord. He had a great love of fishing and always had to have his coffee, cookies and banana pudding. He always loved spending time with his family. He was a very simple man that never expected anything in return. He was a man of success that lived well, laughed often and loved much; who gained respect of everyone and the love of his children; who leaves the world better than he found it; who has never lacked appreciation for anyone or failed to express it; who looked for the best in others and the best he had. He is now reunited with his first love, and we now have two angels in heaven looking over us, our father/grandfather and mother/grandmother, Carol Crooke.

Bill was a member of Farmhill Baptist Church in Cantonment, FL. He is preceded in death by parents, William H. Crooke and Lillian I. Kersey; the first love of his life and mother of his children, Carol A. Crooke; stepmothers, Audrey Crooke and Bertha Kramek, grandfather and grandmother Adams. William leaves behind to cherish his memory, his loving wife Lola Crooke; sons Timothy (Dawn) Crooke, John Crooke, and David Crooke; daughters Katherine (Michael) Littlefield

and Sarah Crooke; granddaughters, Jazmine Bodiford, Maria and Victoria Crooke; grandsons Joseph and Adam Crooke; five step children; his beloved brothers, James H. (Linda) Crooke and Stephen W. Crooke; and numerous step grandchildren, step great grandchildren and many nieces/nephews and other family and friends that he loved so dearly.

Visitation is on Wednesday, September 5th at 4:30pm for family and 5-7pm for friends at Faith Chapel North. Funeral Services will be on Thursday, September 6th at 1:00pm at Faith Chapel North followed by a graveside service at Pensacola Memorial Gardens on Pine Forest Road, 7433 Pine Forest Road. The family is very grateful that Pastor Darrell Black will be officiating the services.

A special thanks to West Florida Hospital and Select Speciality Hospital for the loving care that they provided for our father. Pallbearers will be Jamie Hobbs, Adam Crooke, Joseph Crooke, Michael Littlefield, John Cole, and Bro. Drannon Vines.

Bill will be dearly missed by everyone who knew him. He truly made an impact on our life.

2 Timothy 4:7-8: "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

A Message From Bill's daughter, Katherine Littlefield:

"Dad was married to our mother, Carol Hobbs Crooke for 21 years until she passed of Leukemia in 1996. Had us five children. Best father ever! He remarried two years later until his death in 2018. But boy did he miss his one true love. I am at peace because he is no longer suffering and he is reunited with the love of his life, our mother. He wanted to go in the military but he couldn't because when he was 18-19 he developed a bad infection in his lung and they had to remove the lower lobe. I took care of him the last three years of his life and I cherished every moment. He took care of me and now it was my time to take care of him. I was always his angel and now he is mine."