



Norman W. (Bill) Swartz

August 8, 2020

Norman W. (Bill) Swartz, age 80 of Sarasota, FL and formerly of Greenville, MI, passed away on August 8th, 2020, in Sarasota. Bill graduated from Greenville Senior High School, earned his engineering degree from Michigan State University and served in the US Army at Redstone Arsenal in Alabama. On July 16, 1966, Bill married the love of his life, Linda Pat Bucy, and they returned to Greenville, Michigan to settle and raise their family. Bill's career started as an engineer with Gibson Appliance which later became White Consolidated Industries and finally Electrolux before he moved to Fedders Corporation. Linda and Bill spent 20 of their 51 years together in Greenville. Before retiring in Sarasota, Florida in 1996, they also spent time living in Illinois and New Jersey.

Bill's early days in Sarasota included walking the neighborhood, visiting with friends and spending time as a real estate agent. Bill was also very active with Michigan State University's Sarasota Alumni chapter for many years and thoroughly enjoyed watching the football and basketball games each season.

Bill is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Belinda and Keith Harris; son and daughter-in-law Brooke and Jason Swartz; and 5 grandchildren: Nicholas Harris (25), Greta Harris (21), Lucas Harris (20), Willa Swartz (6), and Luma Swartz (4); along with his sister, Bonnie Petersen and family of Marquette, Michigan, and brother, Brad Swartz and family of Loveland, Colorado. He is

preceded in death by his wife, Linda, and his parents, Norman and Alvera Swartz.

Bill had a passion for all things Michigan State as well as his children and grandchildren. He will be remembered for being a wonderful father, grandfather, husband and friend.

He will be laid to rest at the Sarasota National Cemetery. Due to the current pandemic situation, a private family ceremony will be held at an appropriate time. Messages of condolence and memories may be sent via www.toalebrothers.com.

Tribute Wall



“ I knew Bill and Linda as fellow residents of Huntington Pointe. They were both always so full of fun and life and a real joy to be around.
Jan Jorgensen, resident of Huntington Pointe.

Jan Jorgensen - August 21, 2020 at 10:28 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Norman W. (Bill) Swartz.



August 14, 2020 at 11:39 AM



“ *Bill did a great job as President of the Michigan State Sarasota-Bradenton Alumni club for many years. After Paula offered to get involved in that role, Bill continued to support the group and joined us for many game watches. He taught us to call U of M "the skunk bears" and just added a lot of fun to our events. We had the pleasure of meeting his son & family during game watches and daughter at Linda's memorial service. Please accept our heartfelt condolences. Bill will be missed and remembered by many. Marla & Jim Hough, MSU Alumni SRQ*

Marla - August 12, 2020 at 08:31 AM

LL

“ I had the pleasure of knowing both Linda and Bill since I also live in the HP community. We had many conversations that were always a delight. I enjoyed their zest for living. My sincere condolences. Lois Lewis

Lois Lewis - August 11, 2020 at 07:14 PM

MY

“ We will always cherish our memories with the Swartz family. No one was kinder or more friendly than Mr. and Mrs. Bill and Linda Swartz. Their home was like a second home to us Youn kids - we were there every day playing in Jason's sandbox or with their many toys in their basement or front yard. I can still remember the (hundreds of) delicious peanut butter and marshmallow sandwiches that Mrs. Swartz would make us and the mouth watering burgers and hot dogs that Mr. Swartz would grill for us during the summer. I still have their phone number (754-4405) memorized as we probably dialed it thousands of times during our childhood. They are a wonderful family. We will greatly miss Mr. and Mrs. Swartz. From The Youn Family

Michael E Youn - August 11, 2020 at 12:02 PM

WH

“ Dearest Belinda, Jason and Respective Families,

Peg and I would like to express our deepest sympathy of the loss of your father, mentor and friend. We understand during these trying times this was difficult for him and for your families. Please know we think of him and your mother often and will always be grateful for their friendship. Again, all our blessing to you and your families...

With Love,
Bill & Peggy Ham

william ham - August 11, 2020 at 10:26 AM

SK

“ *Belinda and Jason, you and your families are in my thoughts and prayers. I was so sorry to hear today about your Dad' passing. We sure had a lot of good times with your parents when you all lived in Greenville. All my very best. Scott Kraai*

Scott Kraai - August 10, 2020 at 04:30 PM