



Bill E. Bright

April 9, 1943 - May 29, 2025

Bill E. Bright, 82, of Taylors, South Carolina, was gathered to the arms of Jesus on May 29, 2025.

A native of Spartanburg County, South Carolina, born on April 9, 1943, son of the late James Crowell and Nannie Lou Burns Bright, he was a retired Lieutenant Corrections Officer with the S.C. Department of Corrections at Perry Institution, retiring at Livesay Correctional Center, and member of The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour. Bill was officer of the year in the Southern States of South Carolina. He loved music but couldn't read music. He could be seen directing music from his wheelchair, not missing a beat. He loved to dance and talk. Bill was loved by all because he loved all.

Surviving are the love of his life for 59 years, Sandra Styles Bright; two sons, David Bright of Moore, South Carolina and Tony Bright (Andrea) of Salem, South Carolina; a chosen daughter, Robin Tucker Forrest of Greer, South Carolina; seven grandchildren, Selena Forrest Warnke (Ryan), Tajun George, Tristen Bright (Kim), Laiken Johnson (DJ), Kennedy Bright (Colby Thomas), Jewell Beaty (Cole), and Carter Bright; and five great-grandchildren, Eliana, Wyatt and Haven Johnson, Emerson Bright, and Baby Bright due in October. Bill was predeceased by his sister, Martha Bright Tucker and a grandson, Adam Jared "AJ" Peterson, Jr.

A memorial service will be held 11:00 a.m. Saturday, June 21, 2025, at The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour, conducted by Revs. Don and Beth Costlow, with receiving of friends to follow.

Visitation will be held 12:30 until 4:00 p.m. Friday, June 6, 2025, at the home, and Saturday, June 7, 2025, from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m. at the home.

The family appreciated the special, loving care Bill received at National Healthcare in Greer and from Caris Hospice.

Memorials may be made to The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour Food Ministry, 2600 Wade Hampton Boulevard, Greenville, SC 29615.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 6. 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM.

Residence

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JUN 7. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM.

Residence

Memorial Service

JUN 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour
2600 Wade Hampton Boulevard
Greenville, SC 29615

Tribute Wall

MF

“ *Sending our deepest condolences to the Bright Family. May God bless each of you with comfort, peace, and strength as you celebrate the life of Bill. Know that we are praying for you now and will continue to do so in the days to come.*

Mr. and Mrs. Durham and Family - June 07, 2025 at 05:41 PM

BC

“ *Brenda C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bill E. Bright.*

Brenda C. - June 03, 2025 at 12:15 PM

AA

“ *Angie AshmoreKruise lit a candle in memory of Bill Bright*



Angie AshmoreKruise - June 01, 2025 at 07:56 PM

JF

“ *Judy Welch Friddle lit a candle in memory of Bill Bright*



Judy Welch Friddle - June 01, 2025 at 01:49 PM

JH

“ Sandy, sorry for the loss of Bill. Will be praying for you and the family.



Jo Ann Howell - June 01, 2025 at 07:44 AM

SP

“ We really enjoyed meeting Bill and Sandy. The welcome we received was wonderful. Bill was a kind hearted person who was a joy to talk to. It was an honor just to have known him.

Susan Phillippe - May 31, 2025 at 09:20 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Bill E. Bright.

May 31, 2025 at 09:17 PM

DT

“ I have known Bill and Sandy for years through The Lutheran Church of Our Saviour. They have always been such a wonderful couple and so supportive of others. The love they shared for 59 years shows the special bond they had. May Bill now rest in peace without pain. He will definitely be missed. May Sandy and the family know hugs and prayers of comfort are with them all.

Dianna Tant - May 31, 2025 at 08:53 PM

LR

“ *Sandra and Family,
My heartfelt sympathy learning of Bill's
passing. He was always such a respectful
and kind man to everyone and was loved by
so many people for it. He always led that
Greer High band with such delight and it was special to see by us
other students. He now is at rest and whole able to walk Heaven's
streets. May God's love and peace surround you during these most
difficult days and your memories bring you comfort. My love and
prayers to each of you.*



Linda Coggins Roberts - May 31, 2025 at 06:55 PM

JP

“ *We are sorry to hear about Bill! He was always such a good person!
We will be praying for all of his family during this time you are going
though!*

Judy Perry - May 31, 2025 at 04:15 PM

DT

“ *I witnessed a wonderful dedicated loving father and husband as a
child....I have always respected Mr. Bright in the many years that
I've known this family.
Our neighborhood community was loving and tightly woven.
Each family looked out for the next
The bond that reflected lasting friendship throughout our adolescent
years.
My condolences to the Bright family
Your dad was an outstanding individual 💙*

Dawn Lucado Thomas - May 31, 2025 at 04:15 PM

SH

Mr. Bill was a light to my life! Every time I saw him, he was always so sweet, and you could see God's love shining: sparkles:. You will be missed!

Sylvia Hensley

Sylvia Hensley - May 31, 2025 at 10:08 PM

JJ

“ *He fought a good fight with dignity and Grace. As I visited with him a few weeks ago, he was so gracious and kind to those around him- just as he has always been. And I can assure you he is singing with the heavenly choir, that man could sing. I attended Christmas Eve service with he & Sandy and he rocked those carols. Can close my eyes and see him leading GHS band in the Greer Christmas parade. We had to get there early, so we could see our cousin strut down Trade St. such good memories.*

Jan Chasteen James - May 31, 2025 at 01:16 PM

AF

“ *Bill was a special person and will be missed by all. Please know that all of the family are in our prayers and in our hearts. Love to all.*
Annette Foster

Annette Foster - May 31, 2025 at 12:37 PM

WH

Sandra so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with each of you.

Wilda Henson - May 31, 2025 at 05:35 PM

SC

*I am so proud to say I was a part of this family for a little while, as I coached Bill and Sandy's boys in little league baseball. I enjoyed talking to Bill while the season went on and I can honestly say this is a greatly parented family.
Love to all and he will be missed!*

Steve Cobb - June 06, 2025 at 08:54 PM

DW

Sandy and family, I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I know you and Bill had a wonderful life together and he depended on you to cheer him up and take care of him and I know you did. I am sorry I could not see you but be sure to know you are in my thoughts and prayers. I am unable to leave Woody alone for long....he falls some and cannot get up with out help. I will see you soon. I love you. Dale

Dale Wood - June 11, 2025 at 11:13 PM