



## William "Bill" Caldwell

September 1, 1934 - October 15, 2013

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Bill was a life member of WorldatWork (formerly American Compensation

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Bill would want to be remembered for his servant's heart, as a kind and devoted friend and gentleman to all, and on who enjoyed taking leadership positions in work, church and community affairs. He was an honest Christian man and devoted husband, father and grandfather, who served his church, community and nation well. He would have said about himself, "I am just a lucky country boy from North Carolina."

Surviving are his wife of 57 years, Jeanette Bogan Caldwell; his daughter, Jody Caldwell Smith and husband, Allen Smith; his son, William Scott Caldwell; his daughter, Linda Caldwell Holt and husband, William Braz Holt III. He was the grandfather of Joshua and Jessica Martin, Tyler and Dylan Caldwell, and Will and Clay Holt. He was the brother of Margaret Caldwell Baker of Sanford, NC, Ann Caldwell Greenwell of New London, NC, and

James Addison Caldwell of Doylestown, PA.

A memorial service will be held at First Presbyterian Church, Greenville on Sunday, October 20, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. with Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons and Rev. Dr. Pamela Cole officiating.

Visitation will be held 1:30-2:50 p.m. Sunday in the church parlor.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church, 200 W. Washington Street, Greenville, South Carolina 29601.

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# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **20**. 1:30 PM - 2:50 PM (ET)

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200 West Washington Street  
Greenville, SC 29601

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

JW

“ *Jeannette and family,  
I am very sorry for your loss. I very much enjoyed working with Bill,  
and considered him a good friend. You will all be in my thoughts and  
prayers.*

*John Windell*

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**John Windell** - October 19, 2013 at 10:27 AM

KC

“ *Mrs. C and family, I am very sorry for your loss and will always  
remember Mr. C fondly. I am so thankful that he shared his love of  
photography with me so many years ago and that we can continue  
to share pictures of the children and grandchildren. May God bless  
you and the entire Caldwell family and bring you peace knowing that  
he is in Heaven now. Thinking of you, Kathy Caldwell*

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**Kathy Caldwell** - October 19, 2013 at 09:59 AM

JM

“ *Jeannette and Family, Don and I are saddened by Bills death. We  
will miss him, but are rejoicing that he is now with jis heavenly father  
and is no longer suffering. Don so enjoyed singing withhim in the  
choir as well as being his neighbor. Blessings to you and your  
family. Remembering you in our prayers, Judy and Don.*

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**Judy Mcalister** - October 18, 2013 at 07:42 PM

MW

“ Jeanette,  
Our deepest sympathy in your loss of Bill. We know the last several months have been difficult for Bill and your family. Watching someone have a daily struggle is difficult, and I am sure that Bill is resting and celebrating now.

It is very touching that Bill had asked that Cecelia have a special vocal tribute for him, and she is pleased to do that. George and I are in Florida, but we will be home on Sunday to attend Bill's memorial service.

With condolences and prayers for you and all of his family.

Margaret and George

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**Margaret and George Wasson** - October 18, 2013 at 03:40 PM

GM

“ Scott and Caldwell family -- My condolences during this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Jerry McMahon

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**Gerard McMahon** - October 18, 2013 at 10:09 AM

KM

“ Jeanette and Family; It was my privilege to sing with bill in choir for these many years. We really missed him the last few years and we will remember his contributions musically with his voice and leadership with his service. He was truly an inspiration in his dedication and desire to serve us and his family and most importantly god and His Savior Jesus Christ. God Bless you and your family and may you find peace in the fact that he is joyously sing in Heaven.

Ken & Ricky Martin

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**Ken Martin** - October 18, 2013 at 07:24 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Caldwell.*



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October 17, 2013 at 03:37 PM