



William Louis Bierbaum Sr

February 28, 1933 - June 2, 2023

Mr. William (Bill) Louis Bierbaum Sr. age 90 passed away on June 2, 2022 in Tallahassee, Florida. He was born in Paragould, Arkansas on February 28, 1933, the son of Louis and Clara Sheffield Bierbaum.

Mr. Bierbaum was a recent resident of Tallahassee but had lived in DeFuniak Springs area for over 50 years. He was a member of the DeFuniak Springs First Baptist Church where had served as a deacon. He was a member of the Senior Adult Sunday School Class and was active on the Hospitality Committee.

He was a United States Navy veteran with four years of active duty during the Korean Conflict. During that time his family moved to Ocala, Florida where he met his future wife, Jo Ann (Josie) Todd. They were married in June of 1956. He and Josie bought McLean's Florist in DeFuniak Springs in 1966 and operated the business for 26 years. During this time Bill served as president of Gold Medal Florist Association from 1976 until 1978. He was on design panels in floral design schools in Florida, Georgia, Alabama, and North Carolina at various times. He also served as president of the Walton County Chamber of Commerce from 1973 until 1974. They sold the florist in 1992 and after retiring Bill was able to take up golfing. It became one of his favorite pastimes. Family was of great importance to him. His son Bill Jr. and daughter-in-law Joyce Carbonell were very dear to him as well as his grandchildren, Connie Jo Carbonell-Bierbaum, Joelle Carbonell-Bierbaum and William Todd Bierbaum and his wife Amanda.

Bill is preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Jo Ann Bierbaum and his son, Bill Jr. and his wife Joyce Carbonell of Tallahassee, Florida.

The family would appreciate that in lieu of flowers donations be made to Big Bend Hospice (<https://bigbendhospice.org/>) or the Tallahassee Police Department's Chaplain Program.

The family will receive friends from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, Saturday, June 10, 2023 at Bevis Funeral Home Chapel, the service will follow at 11:00 AM. A private family interment will be held at Magnolia Cemetery in DeFuniak Springs, FL. Todd Wahlquist is assisting the Bierbaum family with their arrangements (850-385-2193, www.bevisfh.com).

Cemetery Details

Magnolia Cemetery

222 N. Park Street
Defuniak Springs, FL 32433

Previous Events

The Family Will Receive Friends

JUN 10. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory
200 John Knox Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 385-2193

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Bevis Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of William Louis Bierbaum Sr*



Bevis Funeral Home - June 10, 2023 at 07:56 AM



Josie I am so sorry for your loss. I am so thankful for the friendship we have had over the years and my thoughts are with you during this time. From our meeting in Australia to the traveling we did over the years I have such wonderful memories and hope they will give you comfort during this time as well. I think of you often.
Carol Seelbach

Carol Seelbach - August 26, 2023 at 12:41 PM



“ *Josie I am just one of the many many of lives in DeFuniak that Bill and you have touched over the years with kindness and talent. Prayers and love for the days ahead. Bill will be missed* 💕💕

Jean Paulk - June 10, 2023 at 12:47 PM



“ *Will always be grateful for the beautiful flowers and cake Jo Ann and Bill made for our wedding. Thank you, Joan Murray Smith*

Joan Murray Smith - June 08, 2023 at 02:35 PM

MC

“ A very kind and true the gentleman, contributions abound from his presence where ever he was...Blessings for the entire family....

Mike Crawford - June 08, 2023 at 01:51 PM

AB

“ We are so sorry to hear of Mr Bill's passing. Our thoughts and prayers to Ms Josie and the entire family.

Ann \$ Mike Brocksmith

Ann & Mike Brocksmith - June 08, 2023 at 12:48 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of William Louis Bierbaum Sr.



June 08, 2023 at 09:24 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William Louis Bierbaum Sr.



June 06, 2023 at 11:13 AM