



William "Bill" Diehl

August 16, 1951 - April 17, 2025

William (Bill) Diehl of Willcox passed away Thursday morning April 17, 2025. Billy was born in Willcox, Arizona on August 16, 1951, and was proud of it. He graduated from Willcox High School and went onto Cochise College to study aviation.

Billy married Bonnie Frazier, and they would have celebrated 53 years together this year. Billy worked as a mechanic/far laborer with Wilson Farms and Robbs Farms. His last employment was with Cross Spear Marble where he worked as a dynamite monkey.

He is survived by his wife Bonnie. They had 4 children. Kristen who preceded him in death. Jenisa (Joel) Todd, Julia (Isaac) Ochoa and Emily (Michael) Palmer.

14 grandchildren, Kendel (Carson) Lee, Tayler (Ty) DeZonia, Colten (Paige) Palmer, Sadie (Erubiel) Vega, Ryan Palmer, Remington Todd, Tyler Palmer, Isabella Ochoa, Ruger Todd, Trevor Palmer, Colt William Todd, Autumn Ochoa Nataly Palmer and Derringer Todd. He was blessed as well with 4 great grandchildren. Kaylor and Kynzley Palmer, Claire Lee and Hayes DeZonia. He was preceded in death by his parents Walter and Maybelle Diehl.

Billy became a Christian at the age of 32 and was active in teaching Sunday School and Commander of Awana Clubs. He and Bonnie had a Jr. High

ministry for years. He was PE teacher at Joanne Todd Christian School. He enjoyed working, his family, reading Tom Clancy, hunting, and shooting with his grandsons. He was ready to help anyone in need and gave a tire off his Bronco one night to someone on their way to Mexico. That tire was never recovered but he was pleased that he helped someone out.

He discovered he had Polycystic Kidney Disease and at the age of 55 he went into renal failure; he received a successful kidney transplant in 2007. It lasted many years, but he passed away from heart failure. He fought a long journey and died a peaceful death.

Per the family's request there will be no service. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to The Gideons or PCKD research. There is an account set up at Western Bank for final expenses.

Tribute Wall

JB

“ *Deepest condolences to Bonnie and family. I'm very sorry to hear of Bill's passing. May God comfort you through this time.* ”

Judy Bailey - April 27, 2025 at 10:24 AM

GA

“ *Prayers to you and the family.* ”



Gail - April 24, 2025 at 12:31 PM

GA

“ *Bonnie sending my prayers and condolences. Love you friend.* ”



Gail - April 24, 2025 at 12:29 PM

JB

“ *My sincere sympathy. It's been many years since you left our valley but we still loved to hear about you and your family. Love and sympathy. The Bulls, Craig and Joan.* ”

joan bull - April 23, 2025 at 11:47 PM

SA

“ Susan Arbuthnot lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Diehl



Susan Arbuthnot - April 20, 2025 at 01:41 PM



“ Billy and Bonnie help Max, and I find, our Lord Jesus Christ and become Christians. We will meet up again! Mr. Billy rest in peace and our thoughts are with your beautiful family.



Max and Anne Coleman

Anne Coleman - April 20, 2025 at 01:40 PM

BD

Oh we remember that glorious time. Yes we will all be in heaven one day.. thank you Anne

bonnie diehl - April 20, 2025 at 08:41 PM

JB

“ We loved Billy. He was a good man and true friend. He will be greatly missed. Our love and prayers to Bonnie, their daughters, and all the family.



Johnny & Donna Brown - April 20, 2025 at 11:58 AM

BD

You are two very dear friends to us and so glad we had some time to get reacquainted.

bonnie diehl - April 20, 2025 at 08:43 PM

SB

“ Sorry for your loss...

Sheri Baker - April 19, 2025 at 07:27 PM

KT

“ *Kathy Thatcher lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Diehl*



Kathy Thatcher - April 19, 2025 at 02:28 PM

KS

“ *My thoughts and prayers for Bill's family, as he has found peace and they may may find comfort.*



Kevin Schmelzla - April 19, 2025 at 01:00 PM

GM

“ *Gus & Rita Morales lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Diehl*



Gus & Rita Morales - April 19, 2025 at 12:55 AM

SR

“ *Sharma Reed lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Diehl*



Sharma Reed - April 18, 2025 at 11:02 PM

CB

“ *Our sincere condolences and prayers for Bonnie and all the family.*

Marty and Cheryl Bowlby

Cheryl Bowlby - April 18, 2025 at 11:48 AM

KK

“ *Our sympathy to Bonnie and family*

From the Koukaliks

Kittie Koukalik - April 18, 2025 at 10:43 AM

SP

“ *Steve Paquette lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Diehl*



Steve Paquette - April 18, 2025 at 10:06 AM

SP

“ *My condolences to your family. I worked with Billy at Willcox Texaco while in high school 1971.*

Steve Paquette - April 18, 2025 at 10:05 AM

CD

“ Carol Dunagan lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Diehl



Carol Dunagan - April 17, 2025 at 11:30 PM

RH

“ Rhyna lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Diehl



Rhyna - April 17, 2025 at 11:13 PM

RH

“ My deepest condolences.
Rhyna

Rhyna - April 17, 2025 at 11:12 PM

RB

My deepest condolences.
Robin Banwell

Robin Banwell - April 18, 2025 at 11:49 AM

JM

“ Our sincere condolences to Bonnie and all his beautiful family.
Rest in peace Billy.
Rey & Jonnie Martinez

Jonnie B Martinez - April 17, 2025 at 10:43 PM



“ *Betsy Ajeman lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Diehl*



Betsy Ajeman - April 17, 2025 at 10:42 PM



“ *Terri M lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Diehl*



Terri M - April 17, 2025 at 07:26 PM



“ *NCCH Laboratory lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Diehl*



NCCH Laboratory - April 17, 2025 at 04:57 PM