

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of the late Mr. Bill Brode wishes to express our sincere appreciation for all the prayers, phone calls, visits and many other acts of kindness shown during this time. A very special thank-you to Highland Funeral Home, Forest Lake Church and Joanne Webster for their compassionate service.
~ The Viana, Morgan and Dean Families



CONTRIBUTIONS

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3329 East Semoran Blvd. Apopka, FL 32703
June 30, 2024

A CELEBRATION OF

Life



BILL
BRODE

OCTOBER 16, 1947 - JUNE 23, 2024

OBITUARY

William Allen Brode, 76, beloved Son, Father, Papa and Great Papa was called to his eternal resting place on June 23, 2024. He entered this world on October 16, 1947 in Baltimore, MD, born to James Warren and Edith Marie Brode. He is survived by his sister and brother-in-law Jean and John Moyer, first wife Janet Brode, three daughters and sons-in-law Laura & Evandro Viana, Dawn and William Morgan and Kristina Dean and Earic Parker along with his nine grandchildren William (BJ), Christopher & Jason Morgan; Austin, Jacob & Haley Viana; and Jeffrey, Kortney & Jordan Dean. He left behind two adorable great granddaughters Sevaeh & Ariella along with a host of cousins, nieces, and nephews.

He is also survived by his nieces and nephews Darlene, Ray & Tammy Brode; Jordan and Jeremy Moyer; along with great nieces and great nephews Beau, Brooke, Alexis, Lindsey, Madeline, Jamie, Lauren, Austin and Harlynn; also survived by two great nieces twice removed Jolene and Adaline.

Bill was predeceased by his grandparents George & Lillian Brode and Mildred Hagemann German & William Lowe; parents James & Edith Brode and his brothers and sister-in-law George Philip, James Warren & Linda Brode. George Philip (twin of James) passed at birth. Also predeceased by his aunts and uncles Regina & Anthony Brode and Millie & Margaret Lowe and half aunt Mary Anne German and half uncle William Gibson "Gibby" Lowe.

He is also predeceased by David Yingling, his best friend and best man at his wedding.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Social Gathering & Video	10 AM to 11 AM
Memorial Service*	11 AM to Noon
Processional	Family
Gone Too Soon by Michael Jackson	
Opening Prayer	Austin Viana & Jeff Jr. Dean
Scripture Reading	Trey Dean & Jacob Viana
Personal Family Poem	Haley Viana & Kortney Dean
	Written by Edith Brode
Obituary	James Ray Brode
	Godson of Bill & Janet Brode
Celebration of Life	Bj, Chris, & Jason Morgan
Audio Memories	Kortney Dean & BJ Morgan
Words of Comfort	Womack Rucker, III
Reflections	Family & Friends
Musical Selection	When We All Get To Heaven
Benediction	Womack Rucker, III
Recessional	Family & Friends

*Military Funeral Honors

Taps, Three-Volley Salute & Flag Presentation

Repat: Lower Youth Center at Forest Lake SDA Church
After pulling into parking lot, drive past the Main Church and Childrens Center; Building located past the Children's Center - 3rd & last building.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

William, better known as Bill or Billy, grew up in Georgetown. As a kid Billy was an active member of the Boy Scouts and spent many hours near the Washington Senators baseball team catching fly balls. He completed school through the eighth grade and later graduated with a general equivalency diploma. Upon joining the Army, Bill served from Nov. 26, 1965 to Nov. 25, 1968. He fought in the Vietnam War and received the Army Commendation Medal in support of the counterinsurgency effort in the Republic of Vietnam while serving as Assistant Motor Sergeant with Company B, 9th Medical Battalion, 9th Infantry Division from Nov 20, 1966 through Nov 30, 1967. He earned several more honors including Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with 2 bronze service stars, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon with Device, Sharpshooter Badge with Rifle Bar and many more. After the Army, he continued his auto career working for Lustine Chevrolet and later moved to Olsen Welding Company. Sometime in the 1970s, Bill opened up his own auto shop in Hyattsville, Maryland where he ran a successful Automotive Service Center business for 40 plus years before selling it.

Bill married Janet Lynn Stubbs on November 30, 1968. They created three beautiful girls Laura, Dawn and Kristina and invested their earnings into private SDA Christian school education. In 1975, Bill and Janet were baptized at Sligo Adventist Church as a first-generation Adventist as a result of taking SDA Bible studies in Vietnam from a fellow soldier. Bill volunteered his time as a deacon at Sligo SDA church and gave up many weekends helping the community (i.e camp Boonsboro). In his spare time, Bill had a passion for racing motorcycles, bowling and watching movies. As a young man, bowling was his favorite activity and he continued playing in many leagues and tournaments throughout his life. His dedication earned him cash winnings at various tournaments.



GOLDEN NUGGETS

1. As a child Bill sat on the knee of the late Jacqueline Kennedy who visited his home for audio services provided by his late father to the then Senator of Massachusetts, John F. Kennedy.
2. Bill ended his Army career at the Pentagon as a chauffeur for generals and gathered a collection of pocket lighters gifted by those same generals. The funny thing is that he never smoked, so he really didn't need the lighters.
3. One of Bill's main customers at ASC was Sugar Ray Leonard.
4. Back in 1967 Bill stopped to assist a damsel in distress who was driving her brother Jared's car which had broken down on Wisconsin Avenue and ended up securing a date with Jared's sister, Janet. The date took place at Great Falls locks overlooking the Potomac River. Bill & Janet were engaged two weeks later on Easter Sunday at the Baptist Church off of Riggs Road.
5. Bill scored many 298, 299 and 300 games in bowling and still has the unfallen pin gifted by the bowling alley. He also won a paid trip to Las Vegas, NV.
6. Bill welded for the National Art Museum, Dulles Airport and the White House gates.



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