



William "Bill" Arthur Dowdy Jr.

June 28, 1928 - March 25, 2023

William Arthur "Bill" Dowdy Jr. passed from this life on March 25, 2023, at home surrounded by his loving family at age 94. Bill was born on June 28, 1928, in Kingston, Oklahoma to William Arthur Dowdy Sr. and Lula Francis (Taylor) Dowdy. He grew up in the Millcreek area, attended his early school years, then after joining the United States Army, at age 21, he received his GED when on R & R in Japan. Bill served our country in the Korean War, in the 38th infantry, combat tank commander, receiving two bronze stars, UN and Korea service metals and combat infantryman badge. After coming home, he married the love of his life Delpha Louise Hayes on September 17, 1960, and they were blessed with three children: Jim, Linda and Billy. They made Gotebo their home and raised their children. Bill loved to work on cars and in 1972 owned and operated A & A Body Shop until 1995 when he sold the business to his son, however he never stopped working on cars. He loved to fish, garden and enjoyed going camping. Bill was one of the founding members of the New Life Christian Fellowship Church in Gotebo where he served as Pastor from 2010-2013 when the church closed and then became a member of the Gotebo First Baptist Church. Bill especially loved to spend time with his family.

Bill is survived by his loving wife Louise of the home, sons, Jim Dowdy and wife Jamie of Gotebo, Bill Dowdy of Hobart, and daughter Linda Woody and husband Jeff of Snyder. He leaves a legacy of grandchildren: Kayli York and husband Steven, Taylor Peralta and husband Chad, Sarah Dowdy and Blaine

Hastie, and great grandchildren, Austin and Emrie York. Bill is also survived by a host of other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents William and Lula Dowdy, sister Betty Anderson and special sister Mary Ann Orr.

Public viewing for Bill will begin Thursday, March 30, 2023, 2:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., with family present to receive friends between the hours of 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., at Peoples Cooperative Funeral Home, located at 1400 West Main, Lone Wolf, 580-846-9018.

Services are scheduled for Friday, March 31, 2023, 2:00 P.M., Gotebo First Baptist Church, with Pastor James Lankford officiating and pastor David Lawrence assisting. Interment will follow at Gotebo Cemetery with the United States Army Honor Guard performing graveside rites.

On-line condolences for Bill can be made by visiting www.peoplescooperativerfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" Arthur Dowdy Jr.*

October 08, 2023 at 02:10 PM



“ *William "Bill" Arthur Dowdy Jr.*

October 04, 2023 at 11:28 PM



“ *We're so sorry to hear about Bill. He will be missed by so many. Sending our love and prayers for you all.*
Galeen (Irvin) and David Chain



David & Galeen Chain - March 30, 2023 at 06:58 AM



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



March 29, 2023 at 08:28 PM

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“ Tressie Barr lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Arthur Dowdy Jr.



Tressie Barr - March 29, 2023 at 01:36 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Arthur Dowdy Jr..



March 28, 2023 at 11:35 AM

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“ Bill was a good friend and will be missed by many. My prayers to the family.

Buck Jones - March 28, 2023 at 12:21 AM