



Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.

June 27, 1942 - January 9, 2021

A graveside funeral service for Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins, Sr., 78, who entered into rest on Saturday, January 9, 2021, will be held at 1 o'clock on Wednesday, January 13, 2021, at Cedar Creek Baptist Church Cemetery. The Rev. Dr. James Jordan will officiate the graveside service. In light of the recent pandemic, the family kindly asks that masks be worn for all guests attending. Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Directors are caring for the family.

Guests are invited to pay their respects and sign the register at the funeral home on Tuesday during regular hours and Wednesday morning. The service will be live-streamed on Facebook for those unable to attend.

Remembrances may be made in the form of flowers, contributions to First Baptist Church of Bishopville, or contributions to St. Christopher's Children, Inc.

Bill, or Billy as he was known in his youth, was born June 27, 1942. Bill was the first of four children of the late Elvin McClure Hopkins and Ruth Outlaw Hopkins. Bill grew up in the Cedar Creek community and began working in his grandfather Eugene Hopkins' general store before he was 10. After graduating from Bishopville High School in 1960, he went to work at a furniture plant in Sumter. Bill married his high school sweetheart, Annette Logan, on July 2, 1961. After taking some engineering classes at Clemson

University, Bill began a career as an Industrial Engineer working in the furniture and textile industries. He held several engineering positions at various plants throughout the Southeast, but Bill ultimately returned to his hometown of Bishopville where he started and owned a cut-and-sew operation. This business was recognized by Governor David Beasley as one of South Carolina's Top 100 Job Creators in 1994. In 2008 Bill was recognized by Governor Mark Sanford as an Ambassador for South Carolina Economic Development. Bill ultimately went to work at Rexam, now Ardagh, where he formed several of his closest friendships and ultimately retired.

Bill loved golf and was one of the most popular regulars at the Bishopville Country Club. Bill had a competitive streak and loved few things more than a Saturday afternoon at the golf course with his buddies giving and receiving some good-natured barbs and ribbing.

The one thing he did love more than golf was family, and it was in this arena in which he excelled, and his light shone the brightest. He was a loving and devoted husband, selfless father, and superbly generous and proud grandfather. His grandchildren adored him, as did most children in his extended family. He was a surrogate father to a number of people. Kindness, generosity, empathy, understanding, compassion, and grace were his hallmarks. Listening was his specialty. Friendship was his mission. Bill was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bishopville.

Surviving are his wife Annette, daughter Terri Camp of Cayce, SC; son Bill Hopkins, Jr. (Rachel) of Pawleys Island, SC; granddaughter, Jordan Hopkins of Mt. Pleasant, SC; grandsons, William Camp of Cayce, SC, Clay Hopkins of Johns Island, SC and Jack Hopkins of Pawleys Island, SC; sisters, Alene Sims of Turbeville, SC and Alice Jean Moseley of Camden, SC; brother Michael Hopkins (Miranda) of Fort Mill, SC; and many nieces and nephews. Bill was predeceased by his parents.

Serving as pallbearers will be Clay Hopkins, Will Camp, Jack Hopkins, Dekle Logan, Crues Bell, Wayne Capell, Wayne Elstrom and Tim Dawkins.

A live stream of the funeral service may be viewed at www.facebook.com/hefunerals

Cemetery Details

Cedar Creek Baptist Church Cemetery

2980 Camden Highway
Bishopville, SC 29010

Previous Events

Graveside

JAN 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Bishopville, SC 29010

Tribute Wall



“ Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home - January 13, 2021 at 10:23 AM



“ Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home - January 11, 2021 at 08:15 PM

BA

Such a wonderful tribute!

Becky Ann - January 11, 2021 at 09:34 PM

KJ

Beautiful tribute!

Kathy Jackson - January 11, 2021 at 11:52 PM

JD

A lovely tribute! Thanks for sharing! Love and prayers to the family!

Jennie Darity - January 12, 2021 at 12:11 AM

AB

That was beautiful! Continuing prayers for the family.

Ann Baskins - January 12, 2021 at 05:40 AM

CL

Very beautiful tribute !!

Clark - January 12, 2021 at 09:32 AM

RH

Wonderful tribute to a wonderful man. He did enjoy life and I know he is celebrating today. Best brother in law anyone could ever ask for.

Rosalie L. Hyatt - January 12, 2021 at 10:30 AM

EQ

Beautiful tribute to a life well lived.

Esther Whitley Quinn - January 12, 2021 at 02:23 PM



“ *Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.*

October 08, 2023 at 04:16 PM



“ *Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.*

March 25, 2023 at 11:01 AM

CF

“ *Christin Filion lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.*



Christin Filion - January 14, 2021 at 11:38 AM

CF

From me and Mcleod Urology! You will be missed. Such a great person!

Christin Fillion - January 14, 2021 at 11:44 AM

DW

“ *Annette,*

I am very sorry to hear about Bill passing. Our prayers are with you and your family.

Dwight Boykin

Dwight - January 13, 2021 at 12:39 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..*



January 12, 2021 at 11:06 AM

KP

“ *On behalf of the Phillips family, we send our deepest sympathy and prayers to the family during this time of loss.*

Karen Phillips - January 12, 2021 at 10:58 AM

SH

“ *Scotty, Megan, Emma Rae, McClure Hopkins purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..*



Scotty, Megan, Emma Rae, McClure Hopkins - January 12, 2021 at 09:51 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..*



January 11, 2021 at 11:19 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..*



January 11, 2021 at 05:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..*



January 11, 2021 at 04:36 PM

TM

“ *The Morris Family (Taylor, Liz & Mac) purchased the Condolence Snacks for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..*



The Morris Family (Taylor, Liz & Mac) - January 11, 2021 at 03:10 PM

KC

“ *We had years of fun playing golf with Senior. When Michael or I would have about a three foot put left Senior would look at us and say STAY TUNED or THERE'S STILL SOME MEAT LEFT ON THAT BONE. He was one of the best long distance putters as well. When he would make a long putt he would say CHA CHING ! My youngest son Jonah and I still use some of Seniors sayings when we play. He was a role model for me for sure. He was always the constant professional. I thought the world of Bill Senior. Thanks' Senior for all the Golf Memories. Now you get to play on greens made of gold !*

Kevin Cox (KC)

Kevin Cox - January 11, 2021 at 01:03 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..*



January 11, 2021 at 12:48 PM

LS

“ *Lori Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.*



Lori Smith - January 11, 2021 at 12:36 PM

LS

He was a great Boss when I worked for him. He was a wonderful person, & he will be missed.

Lori Smith - January 11, 2021 at 12:38 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..*



January 11, 2021 at 11:53 AM

DD

“ *Dear "Miss Annette", Terri, and Bill, Please know how sad I am at Mr. Billy's passing. I have such fond memories of him and of your home. He was always a kind and gentle presence in my life when I need that so much. Please know that my prayers are with you as well as lots of love and sincere concern.*

*Love,
Deannie DuRant*

Deannie DuRant - January 11, 2021 at 11:01 AM

KK

“ Kenny Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Kenny Kelley - January 11, 2021 at 10:56 AM



“ Cheeseboard Complete was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..



January 11, 2021 at 10:20 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..



January 11, 2021 at 10:13 AM

HT

“ Always enjoyed our times on the golf course. Thank you for your friendship



hugh tindal - January 11, 2021 at 09:20 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..*



January 11, 2021 at 09:12 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr..*



January 11, 2021 at 08:02 AM



“ *Matt And Betsy Bramlett lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.*



Matt and Betsy Bramlett - January 11, 2021 at 07:41 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*



Dennis Coppola - January 11, 2021 at 06:04 AM

AB

“ Artie Broadway sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Artie Broadway - January 10, 2021 at 10:53 PM

GE

“ Gerald J. Davis, Esq. lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Gerald J. Davis, Esq. - January 10, 2021 at 10:09 PM

ST

“ Susan O Thrasher lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Susan O Thrasher - January 10, 2021 at 09:40 PM

RH

“ Ruthie Houser lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Ruthie Houser - January 10, 2021 at 09:22 PM

TR

“ Terry And Ann Rush lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Terry and Ann Rush - January 10, 2021 at 09:19 PM

JR

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you and family



James Reynolds - January 10, 2021 at 08:44 PM

CM

“ Clara McElveen lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Clara McElveen - January 10, 2021 at 08:39 PM

CM

Annette and family, sending my deepest regrets in the loss of your love one. He was a friend to many and will be miss by all who knew him. I will always remember him with that his lovely smile. May God give each of you comfort, strength and peace as you know your love one is no longer suffering and is smiling down from Heaven on you and his many friends God Bless. Clara McElveen

Clara McElveen - January 10, 2021 at 08:45 PM

AJ

“ Alan And Kathy Jackson lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Alan and Kathy Jackson - January 10, 2021 at 08:11 PM

JO

“ James Sidney And Celeste Outlaw lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



James Sidney and Celeste Outlaw - January 10, 2021 at 07:49 PM

GS

“ Glenn And Teressa Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Glenn and Teressa Smith - January 10, 2021 at 07:42 PM

AK

“ Archie And Kay lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Archie and Kay - January 10, 2021 at 07:42 PM

JB

“ Jackie Buckner lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Jackie Buckner - January 10, 2021 at 07:34 PM

JM

“ Jill McElveen lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Jill McElveen - January 10, 2021 at 07:34 PM

JM

“ Janice Sims Melton lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.



Janice Sims Melton - January 10, 2021 at 07:11 PM

JM

So sorry for your loss. Bill was a fine man. Worked with him at Reeves so many years ago. Love & prayers,
Janice Sims Melton

Janice Sims Melton - January 10, 2021 at 07:15 PM

KO

“ *Kathy Godwin Oakley lit a candle in memory of Mr. William "Bill" Elvin Hopkins Sr.*



Kathy Godwin Oakley - January 10, 2021 at 06:44 PM