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David Gene Hill, 73, a resident of Prattville, AL, passed away on Sunday, May 14, 2023. Funeral services will be held on Friday, May 19, 2023, at Prattville Memorial Chapel at 11:00 AM, with his brother James C. Hill officiating the service. The family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 AM.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Prattville/Autauga Humane Society, 1009 Reuben Road, Prattville, AL 36067.

David Gene Hill was born in Akron, Ohio, on March 13, 1950, to Craven Ray Hill and Faye Douglas Hill. The family moved to Florida and then to Prattville, where Dave graduated from Autauga County High School in 1968. In addition to his time in Prattville, Dave spent many years living in Opelika with his family, and then in Clinton, TN, where he worked for Fox Toyota for almost 20 years before returning to Prattville to enjoy his retirement. He was a member at First Baptist Church of Opelika for many years, and most recently, joined First Baptist Church in Prattville where he enjoyed an active senior adult ministry, including his beloved “bowling buddies”.

Dave was preceded in death by his parents, Craven and Faye Hill, his

daughter, Amelia Hill, and great-nephew, Gabriel Hill. He is survived by his daughters, Kristine (Brian) Ploof and Cassie (Anthony) Tew; his sons, Chad Lanier and Craven (Linda) Lanier; grandchildren, Amelia Ploof, Reagan Ploof, Caloub (Rachel) Baker, Casey Baker, Shea McMinn, Kamron Tew, Katelin Tew, Kelsey (Manuel) Rosales, Chloe Lanier, Bryant Lanier, Ashley (Tyler) Crowson, Emily Lanier, David Dobear; his brother, James (Fairlyon) Hill and his sister, Judy (Larry) Williams; nephews, Scott (Sherri) Byler and Ben (Sydney Wilson) Hill, and niece, Heather (Ron) Warren; great nieces and nephews, Blake Byler, Ava Byler, Grace Hill, Sunni (Cade) Cargill and their daughter Eloise, Nathaniel Graham, Andrew Warren, and Linda Warren. He also had beloved extended family in Ohio.

Growing up, Dave could almost always be found playing some kind of sport. Whether it was baseball, basketball or golf, he loved it all! He became a standout basketball player in high school and continued to share stories of big games and exciting memories of his time on the court any time he had the chance. Time spent golfing was a favorite pastime for both him and his dad, Craven, and even as they got older and couldn't play together anymore, they continued their shared love for the game by talking on the phone while watching golf tournaments. Dave often talked about how much cooler and better looking he was than his older siblings, but behind his ever-present goofball humor was a deep love and respect for both Jimbo (James) and Jude (Judy). In recent years, he spent a great deal of time talking with both of them regularly about life, faith, and of course, Alabama football. Dave loved his children and had a special connection to each of them, but none quite as deep as his connection with his daughter, Ame. We know it was the loudest, most joyous reunion in heaven as Ame welcomed her daddy into eternity!

Thank you to all who showed Dave love and kindness over the years. His greatest joy came from the friendships he shared with so many, both human and furry friends! He will be greatly missed, but we rejoice in his complete

healing and eternal glory.

“He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed. They were glad when it grew calm, and He guided them to their haven of rest.”

Psalm 107:29-30

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Prattville Memorial Chapel
841 Fairview Avenue
Prattville, AL 36066
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Service

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Tribute Wall

LG

“It was such a pleasure to work with Dave at Fox Toyota for many years. He was such a good friend and well liked by everyone that met him. Amy was also special to me and my wife. We certainly miss them both. Praying for the family. Lonnie and Brenda Gray

Lonnie Gray - May 18, 2023 at 08:21 PM

JN

“Dave will forever be in our hearts. He was always picking on me but I wouldn't have it any other way. He gave me two nephews and a niece who I love dearly. Thanks for the memories! See you again someday!
Joy Blankenship Nobles



Joy Blankenship Nobles - May 18, 2023 at 08:23 AM

RM

“I'm so sorry to your family for the loss of David. He and I worked together for many years and he definitely kept me laughing. We enjoyed our everyday back and forth banter and, of course, his never ending jokes. I could never understand how he remembered all of them. It was a pleasure and so much fun to work with David and he was one of my best friends. I know he's having a wonderful reunion in heaven with Ame, and we will get to see him again one day. I loved David and will never forget him. Sending my love and prayers to all of you❤️



Rose Ann Mobley - May 17, 2023 at 08:31 PM

JC

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. I have so many great and fun memories of Dave growing up when he and my brother, Jeff and others from the High School Basketball team would all come to our house and play basketball in our backyard for hours. He always treated me like his "little sis" as he called me and it made me smile. When we lost Jeff, Dave reached out to me and we continued to stay in touch. I know he is having some wonderful reunions in Heaven. Keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Julie Israel Crowe - May 17, 2023 at 12:32 PM

LT

“ Linda Traylor purchased the Strength & Solace S pray for the family of David Gene Hill.



Linda Traylor - May 17, 2023 at 12:26 PM

GE

“ I so enjoyed getting to know Dave when he moved back to Prattville. He was our biggest cheerleader at the bowling alley. He was constantly encouraging and genuinely happy when we bowled a strike. I'm so grateful that our paths crossed over the last few years. We will definitely miss him.

Gail Herrod Ezelle - May 17, 2023 at 10:17 AM

CT

“ *Cassie Hill Tew lit a candle in memory of David Gene Hill*



Cassie Hill Tew - May 17, 2023 at 09:43 AM

CT

“ *6 files added to the tribute wall*



Cassie Hill Tew - May 17, 2023 at 09:42 AM

DM

“ *So sorry for your loss.*



Doris Smith McLeod - May 16, 2023 at 06:48 PM