



Billy Ray Bland

January 1, 1952 - May 14, 2013

Billy Ray Bland age 61 of Bloomington passed away Tuesday evening May 14, 2013 at IU Health Hospice House. He was born January 18, 1952 in Bloomington to Russell Max and Pauline Yoder Bland.

Billy was a 1970 graduate of Bloomington High School and served in the National Guard. He spent his professional career in truck driving, was a member of the VFW and the Teamsters.

Billy is survived by his sons Billy R. Bland II and his fiancé Roxane Lawson of Spencer; Luke Bland and his wife Jennifer of Bloomington; four grand children and 4 great grandchildren; sisters Rose Thayer and her husband Woodie of Bloomington; Marilyn Bland-Parkes and her husband Keith of Bloomington; brothers Max Bland and wife Margo of Martinsville, Gary Bland and wife Jan of Bloomington, and Jeff Bland and wife Teresa of Springville. Billy is also survived by his father Russell Max Bland and wife Nita of Bloomington, several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Funeral services for Billy will be held Saturday May 18, 2013 at 11:00AM at Allen Funeral Home 4155 South Old Highway 37. He will be buried next to his mother Pauline who preceded him in death at Valhalla Memory Gardens. Visitation will be held Friday May 17, 2013 from 4:00PM to 8:00PM at Allen Funeral Home.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at

www.allenfuneralhome.org.

Tribute Wall

KH

“ Heart felt thoughts and prayers to all the family. I loved Bill so much. He will certainly be missed. Hope you are having the time of your life with Mam. We know you will be waiting for us and we will be doing the same thing. I bet your new wings will be as fast as your dumptruck was. God Speed Bill!!

Kimmy Hendrickson - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

PE

“ to josh and kimmy,im so sorry for the loss of your loved one.prayers are with you and your family. thinking of you all.penny and nicole&kids

penny grubb - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

DA

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Have lots of fun memories of all of us in the back yard of Hensonburg School, playing baseball even in the snow. Billy was a little younger than we were but one of the gang, anyway. I remember him as a kind soul, one who was giving and helpful. He will be missed. I can't believe it.... I remember him like he is the pictures posted here. Thinking of you all. Mike and Denise Jacobs

Denise Abram Jacobs - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

DE

“ *Russell Max*

*So deeply sorry to hear of Billy's passing.
I can imagine your feelings now. I lost my youngest son 2 years ago
and nothing I say helps but maybe it will make it a little easier to
bear. Just know that he is in a better place now.
My love and prayers are with you all*

Delores

Delores (Higgins)Porter - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

DE

“ *To Russell Max*

*So deeply sorry to hear of the loss of your son, Billy. My heart goes
out to you and the family. I do know what you are are feeling as I
lost my youngest son nearly 2 years ago.
My love and prayers are with you all
I'm sorry I can't make the visitation*

Love

Delores

Delores Higgine-Porter - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

GA

“ *Billy, Luke and your families,
My heart goes out to you, during your time of grief, on the death of
your father, Bill. Aunt Gloria*

Gloria Ault - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

MY

“ *Luke and Jennifer and Jett.... We are sorry for the loss of your loved
one and Dad. May God comfort you at this time.*

Myrna Walls - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

MI

“ We knew and liked each other as kids, friends and buds! That was so many years ago, but I remember Billy well. I will borrow a few words from the poet, Rumi, "Out beyond ideas of wrong and rightdoing, there is a field. I will meet you there." until then.

Mike

Michael Hall - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

KA

“ I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing - I have great memories of Bill dating back to junior high. I know this must be a very hard time for everyone and you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Kathy Haney - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

CO

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. I knew him in school a long time ago and will never forget him. May the Lord give you strength during this time.

Connie Parsons - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM

MA

“ I CAN'T SAY GOODBYE SO I WILL SAY THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE FOR ME AND MOM. UNCLE BILL MY HERO..ILL NEVER FORGET OUR TIMES TOGETHER AND ALL YOU TAUGHT ME AND SHARED WITH ME.. YOU WAS TRULY A FATHER FIGURE TO ME. AND I LOVED YOU VERY MUCH. TELL MY DAD I SAID HI AND TRY TO LET HIM WIN A RACE OR TWO IN HEAVEN. JUST SAD YOU BOTH PASSED ON SAME DAY...BUT YOU ARE IN PEACE NOW AND THAT IS A RELIEF TO ME..
LOVE ALWAYS ,
MATT

MATT JAMES - October 26, 2015 at 04:11 PM