



William T. "Bill" Fischer

April 21, 1929 - December 2, 2017

William "Bill" Fischer, 88, died Saturday, December 2, 2017 at IU Health Bloomington Hospital after a long illness. He is survived by his wife of 66 years, Barbara Jeanne (Blood) and his children Gail (McDaniel), Jane (White) and William Thomas Jr., Tom's wife Mary and his twin granddaughters Courtney and Caitlin. Bill, a life-long Presbyterian, was born April 29, 1929 in Columbus, Ohio. He grew up in Evansville, Indiana where he graduated from Bosse High School.

He went on to Indiana University where he was an active member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity and earned an athletic letter as student manager of the IU football team. It was an honor he would always cherish and instilled his love of IU athletics. He and Barbara tried to watch or listen to every IU game that was telecast—regardless of where the Fischers were living.

Additionally, Bill and Barbara loved to travel throughout the United States and Europe and made long-time friends in Germany and Cornwall on the British coast. They particularly appreciated escaping the cold to spend long winter vacations on Jekyll Island in Georgia where golf, hunting for sand dollars, and long walks on the beach ruled the day.

In the late 90's, Bill retired from his position as clinical manager at Kalamazoo Ophthalmology and they moved to Bloomington. But before retirement, he earned the status of Fellow in the American College of Medical Group Administrators (MGMA). His many years of business experience lead him to become a mentor and then president of the Bloomington chapter of SCORE,

an organization geared to providing advice and counsel for start-up business. Along with SCORE, Indiana University offered Bill his “dream” job as a starter and ranger at the IU golf course. He made loads of friends (and a few non-friends) on Sunday mornings as he strived to keep the golfers on time and moving through the course.

Bill served in the Indiana Air National Guard during the Korean War, was an honorary Kentucky Colonel, and former Boy Scout Troup Master and member of the Kalamazoo Kiwanis.

A memorial service in his honor is planned for Friday, December 15 at 3:30 PM at the First Presbyterian Church in Bloomington. Memorial contributions may be made to the church or the I-Association c/o the IU Alumni Association. You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to the family at www.allencares.com

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“ Dear Barb,

Wayne and I are so sorry to read of Bill's death. We have so many fond memories of our happy times with you and Bill, playing golf, swimming in your pool and all the happy hours we spent together. You had a long life together and a wonderful marriage. You and your family have had many great memories.

Wayne & Imogene Berger

Wayne Berger - December 14, 2017 at 01:45 PM

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“ *Shayna, Kim, Allison, Matt, Sydney & Olivia purchased the Shades of Purple for the family of William T. "Bill" Fischer.*



Shayna, Kim, Allison, Matt, Sydney & Olivia - December 09, 2017 at 09:31 AM