



William Samuel Bouldin

March 10, 1926 - August 8, 2020

William Samuel Bouldin passed away on Saturday, August 8, 2020 at the age of 94. He was a native of Muskogee, OK and a resident of Metairie, LA. Beloved husband of the late Rose Marie Davenport Bouldin. Loving father of Charles Edward "Chuck" Bouldin (Jo Kresse-Bouldin) and Elizabeth Paula Bouldin (Randall Williamson). Grandfather of Lilly Bouldin and Kyla Bouldin. Son of the late Pauline Ridley Bouldin and Edward Sandy Bouldin, Sr. Brother of Granville S. R. Bouldin, Sr. Preceded in death by his brother, Edward Sandy Bouldin, Jr.

Bill was a proud Cadet Corps graduate of Texas A&M, a decorated World War II veteran(Bronze Star) serving in the 10th Mountain Division in Italy. He also served in the Army Corps of Engineers during the Korean War. He was a devoted churchman in the Disciples of Christ, and served on numerous ecumenical committees throughout his life. After a distinguished career with Texaco, he and his wife Winkie in 1991 embarked on an adventurous post-retirement career by helping found the New Orleans chapter of the Ulster Project, an organization dedicated to fostering peace in Northern Ireland. He was passionate in his desire for everyone to feel respected and included in all aspects of society. He changed many lives for the better; his legacy lives on in them.

The family wishes to thank Alva Hubbard, Wanda Mundy, and Toreal Manson for their tender care of both Bill and his wife Winkie in recent years. Thanks also to Vivian Macaluso for her attentive and loving friendship during these

most trying times.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to First Christian Church of Greater New Orleans or the New Orleans chapter of the Ulster Project. No services are planned at this time due to ongoing COVID-19 restrictions. Wear your masks, y'all. To share memories or condolences, please visit www.muhsen.com

Tribute Wall



“ *William Samuel Bouldin*

October 15, 2023 at 09:39 PM



“ *I only met Mr. Bouldin one time, while visiting my parent's home on Pike Dr. in Metairie. I was doing research for a book I was writing on our Ridley family called "Ridley Roots." I had discovered doing research that my dad, James R. "Bob" Ridley, lived on the same street as another Ridley descendant, William Bouldin. The two Ridley descendants had much in common they did not realize. They both grew up in Muskogee Oklahoma, graduating from the same high school only two years apart. They both served in the Korean War. They lived on the same street, Pike Dr. in Metairie for over 25 years! I was amazed at the coincidences. We all descend from Captain George Ridley born 1737 and died 1835 in Nashville and his wife, Sarah Vincent. William's family descended from George and Sarah's son Henry Ridley and ours from George and Sarah's son James Ridley Jr., Henry's older brother. George fought in the Revolutionary War to gain our country's freedom and this trait must have passed down through the years, as both my father and Mr. Bouldin served their country proudly. I wish he had been more interested in our family tree, but sadly, it was not to be. My dad and mother both passed within 4 months of each other back in 2003. I know how hard it is to lose parents at any age, but I am glad to see he and his wife lived a long life. I pray comfort and healing for his family. Rest in Peace.*

*Janie Ridley Bice
Sherman, Texas*

Janie Ridley Bice - October 21, 2020 at 04:37 PM

AS

“ Bill and Winkie were such good friends to Frank and I while we served at St. Charles Avenue Christian Church. I'll always remember our dinners together and their sweet, sweet, spirits. What a great loss to the faith community and the lives of so many!

Ashley Sherard-Clarke - August 19, 2020 at 09:22 AM

GP

“ As a member of First Christian Church and a parent of an Ulster Project participant you will certainly be missed. There are many members of our church greeting you in heaven. Please pray for us still on this good earth.
May God Bless you and your family
Ginger Preddy.

Ginger Preddy - August 14, 2020 at 05:58 PM

PP

“ Condolences to the Bouldin family on the passing of Bill and Winkie in the last few months. As a 1978 Ulster project alumni (to Delaware) I was deeply moved to discover the New Orleans Project when I lived there 2006-9 - thanks to their efforts the light of tolerance, understanding and hope gets sewn and impacts the future for the next generation. Their legacy will live on - love and prayers to the family. Paul Pickering

paul Pickering - August 14, 2020 at 02:49 AM

JH

“ Our condolences go out to our great friend Chuck, his sister and the entire Bouldin family during this time of sadness and loss. It's tragic that the children and grandchildren lost both grandparents in just 3 months.
May their memories be eternal. James Harnar & Kathleen McKeen

James Harnar - August 13, 2020 at 03:01 PM

EA

“ *bill and winkie gave so much of their spirit to the church, he taught how to have such faith in everyday life, not just on sundays. can you imagine the joy being felt with the reconnect of bill and winkie in that next stage of universe career.*

eddie ahern

edward h. ahern - August 13, 2020 at 11:57 AM

MS

“ *"With one hand he gave; with the other he received." The gift of Bill's grace and wisdom have shaped my life. I am forever grateful for the honor of having known him. His legacy carries on.*

Missy Sparks - August 13, 2020 at 11:44 AM

DL

“ *Bill was one of God's favorite children and served Him with all his heart. He inspired me throughout my faith's journey. RIP my dear friend.*

Dick Longo - August 13, 2020 at 09:45 AM

FW

“ *An inspiration, a Christian, a true disciple, always feeding HIS sheep.*

Fred Watson - August 13, 2020 at 03:04 AM

CL

“ Bill Bouldin was a man who lived to be old in years - age 94 - without ever growing old in his thinking. He was always interested in new ideas and in trying new things, and he was always ready to reach out to strangers. I learned a lot from Bill, but the single most important thing I learned was the importance of a "listening ministry" - the importance of listening attentively while another person talks about whatever's on their minds. Our church and our world are worse off for his loss.

Catherine Leary - August 12, 2020 at 11:16 PM

DA

“ Betsy, I NEVER met your dad when he didn't a kind word or a genuine smile to share. He was such a caring sweet soul, who brightened the room when he and your darling mom would enter...my heart hurts for the void left, but his legacy lives on in all those whose lives he touched... I feel fortunate to have met both of your darling parents. Wishing you all peace and comfort.
Hugs, Dawn Oddo

Dawn - August 12, 2020 at 09:46 PM

WM

“ Wanda Mundy sent a virtual gift in memory of
William Samuel Bouldin



Wanda Mundy - August 12, 2020 at 07:20 PM

WM

“ *Wanda Mundy lit a candle in memory of
William Samuel Bouldin*



Wanda Mundy - August 12, 2020 at 07:02 PM