



William "Bill" H. Rosen

September 7, 1926 - July 16, 2022

William H. (Bill) Rosen, 95 of Palm City, FL, formerly of South Williamson, KY, passed away peacefully in his sleep on July 16, 2022, after having a full life and love for his family and friends.

Born on September 7, 1926, in Richmond VA, to the late William Rosen and Addie Baron Rosen, Bill grew up in Virginia and New York before his family moved to Washington DC in 1941. At the age of 17, Bill enrolled in the Army Reserve Special Training Program, ARSTP. He completed basic training and was then sent to Ohio State University. Set up on a date, he was first upset that the young lady canceled, but by chance he ran into Betty Ofsa, whose date also canceled. They decided to go out together that night and after a short courtship, Bill proposed and Betty flat out told him no. He then went off to the Army, where he served in Italy before being called home to help his father William in their dry cleaning business. He met back up with Betty during this time, where they took up dating again. One night, she asked him if he still wanted to marry her and from there they spent the next 53 years building a life of love with their family. Betty passed away in November of 2000 and Bill was heartbroken.

After looking for many years he found Mildred Coben originally from New Jersey living in Palm City, FL. After dating a few years he proposed and she accepted. They resided in Palm City, FL together until his passing.

Bill's in-laws, Charlie and Gertrude Ofsa owned the Cinderella Boot Shop in Williamson, WV. Upon their passing, he and Betty continued to operate the store until the early 1990's when they both retired and began furthering their love of travel.

He was involved in many local organizations in his hometown of Williamson, WV and his new hometown of Stuart/Palm City, FL. He was a member of the BPOElks, Moose, Lions, Masonic Temple, and Shriners. One of his greatest achievements was working for the American Red Cross. He worked the Hurricane Hugo natural disaster as well as being at Ground Zero after the 9-11 attacks on our country. He officiated high school football and basketball at the city, county and state level in WV and KY. He loved the BPOElks and stayed active and a member of both lodges in Williamson and Stuart. In his time he served as Exalted Ruler, Treasurer and WV State President, Grand Lodge District Deputy and Grand Lodge Youth Activities Chairman. After retirement he went back to college and attained his BA degree. Bill also stayed active in the communities he lived in by hosting, teaching and attending bridge games.

Bill was a member of Temple B'nai Israel, in Williamson, WV where he served as temple president. He helped to continue the running of the temple, ensuring monthly services were held for local members until the decision was made to close the temple in 2009.

In addition to his parents William and Addie Rosen and wife Betty Rosen, Bill was preceded in death by his brothers Lionel, Cyril and Eugene Rosen.

Bill is survived by his second wife Mildred, his sons retired Senior Judge Marc (Diane) Rosen of Ashland, KY, Larry (Marvi) Rosen of Williamson, WV and Bruce (Gina) Rosen of Palm Bay, FL. He leaves behind his grandchildren,

Ashley Rosen, Lesley Rosen, Brandon (Kierston) Rosen, Erica (Zack) Staton, Jason Rosen, Brentley Marcum and Isabella Salyers. He is also survived by his great-granddaughters, Harper Rosen, Blake and Brook Staton and a soon to be born great-grandson. His daughter of the heart, Barbara Rosen of South Williamson, KY, also survives him along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends who were more like family.

A family visitation will be held Tuesday, July 26, 2022, from 11am-12pm at Weil Kahn Funeral Home in Cincinnati, OH with a graveside service to follow at 12:30pm at United Jewish Cemetery in Montgomery, OH. Memorial services will be planned at a later date in Williamson, WV and Huntington, WV.

In lieu of flowers the family has asked that donations be made to The Elks National Foundation or the American Red Cross.

Cemetery Details

United Jewish Cemetery - Montgomery

7885 Ivygate Lane
Montgomery, OH 45242

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL **26**. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I was so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. His tireless work to the city of Williamson and the Red Cross was amazing. My deepest sympathy to his family and friends.

Helen Collins - July 29, 2022 at 03:53 PM

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“ Dear Larry, Marvi and family, our deepest sympathies to you all. So many lives are so blessed having known Bill. Williamson was a much better place having been served by Bill. He was such a wonderful, sweet, generous, strong and loving man. He will be deeply missed by many. Our love and prayers for you all. Susan and David Few

Susan Few - July 20, 2022 at 06:20 PM