



Billy Ray Cain

September 4, 1933 - December 23, 2012

Billy Ray Cain, age 79, of Evansville, passed away Sunday, December 23, 2012 at his home after a long illness.

Billy was born September 4, 1933 in Evansville to the late James and Carrie (Rager) Cain. He was a member of New Bethel Baptist Church, where he took great pride in cleaning and preparing the church for services for many years.

He was an avid Reitz football fan and player in the 1950's, who started the famous Cain legacy in Reitz football. His late brother Danny, nephew, Karl "Butch" Klusmeier and son, Randy were All-State football players for Reitz. Butch and Randy both played on undefeated State Championship teams. His late nephew Duke Gibson and nephew, Bobby Cain also were outstanding Reitz players.

In 1983, Billy was the first inductee into the Evansville Softball Club Hall of Fame for his contributions to fast pitch softball in the 1950's and 1960's. Billy and his late brothers, Jackson and Danny were softball umpires and basketball officials for the city recreation leagues for several years.

The family would like to thank one of Billy's longtime childhood friends, Bob Jones and his nephew, Karl for their love, companionship and assistance throughout his illness.

Billy was a United States Navy veteran and a truck driver for many years.

In addition to his parents, Billy was preceded in death by sisters, Evelyn Southard and Darlene Gibson and brothers, James, Jr., Jackson and Danny Cain.

Surviving are his wife of 59 years, Mattie D. (Gaines) Cain; twin daughters, Yvette (Billy) Shutt of Owensboro, KY and Yvonne (Robert "Randy") Gibson of Evansville; a son, Randy (Rose Mary) Cain of Evansville; granddaughter, Lindsay (Jeff) Beck of Evansville, grandson, Chad (Heather) Cain of Mt. Vernon ; sister, Beulah Burnette of Henderson and brother, Bobby Cain of Evansville.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 P.M. on Thursday, December 27, 2012 at Pierre Funeral Home, Rev. Mark Lowe officiating. Entombment will follow in Memorial Park Mausoleum.

Friends may visit with the family from 10:30 A.M. until service time on Thursday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to New Bethel Baptist Church or the Vanderburgh County Humane Society.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN

Service

DEC 27. 1:30 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 W. Franklin Street
Evansville, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *Billy Ray Cain*

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *I never really got to meet him but I've seen pictures. Love Nicole S.##imported-begin##Nicole Schaftlein##imported-end##*

January 21, 2013 at 03:18 PM



“ *Mattie-I am so very sorry for the loss of your husband Billy. Many prayers go out to you and your family at this time. I am so sorry I didn't read my emails earlier because I am just now hearing of your loss.*

Blessings-Terri(You were my supervisor when I was a service order typist)

Isaiah 41:10 fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.##imported-begin##Terri Chevalier##imported-end##

December 30, 2012 at 07:18 PM



“ *Dear Bobby and family,so sorry to hear of Bills passing. Ihave a lot of fond memories of the Cain family.##imported-begin##paul w. barr##imported-end##*

December 27, 2012 at 03:48 PM



“ *Mattie,*

I'm so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I'll keep you in my prayers. I have so many wonderful memories of our days together at the phone factory and what a special group of friends we were. Peace to you and your family.##imported-begin##Garnet (Peerman) Stowe##imported-end##

December 26, 2012 at 05:38 PM



“ *Aunt Dee,*

We were so sorry to hear about Uncle Bill's passing. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Love,

Kristin, Kary, Katie, Eiley##imported-begin##Kristin McKinley##imported-end##

December 26, 2012 at 01:23 PM



“ *Dear Mattie*

We are so very sorry of your family's loss. May the Lord bless you.##imported-begin##Earl & Wanda Eberlin##imported-end##

December 26, 2012 at 07:00 AM



“ Mattie,Randy,Yvonne and Yvette,
Just to let you know you all are in my thoughts and prayers. I will
never forget all the wonderful times we had growing up as" Howell
Hoodlums". Mattie and Bill always made me feel like another one of
their kids. I will be forever grateful to them. God bless you all.
Linda (Sallee) VanWay###imported-begin##Linda
VanWay###imported-end##

December 25, 2012 at 11:48 PM



“ Mattie,I'm so sorry for your loss. Your family will be in my prayers.
Jake.###imported-begin##Jim Jacobs###imported-end##

December 25, 2012 at 10:18 PM



“ Love and Prayers.###imported-begin##Maureen and Wille
Schafflein###imported-end##

December 25, 2012 at 04:05 PM