



## William "Bill" Haraden

December 17, 1926 - June 4, 2020

William J. Haraden, 94, passed away on June 4, 2020 with his beautiful wife of 71 years of marriage at his side in his dream home that he built in Libertyville on a 10-acre farm with Bull Creek running along the northern edge.

Celebration of his life will be held at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.) on Tuesday June 9, 2020 from 6-8 pm.

Funeral services and full mass will be held at St Joseph Church, 121 E. Maple Ave. in Libertyville, Illinois on June 10, 2020 at 10:30am. Burial will follow at Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville.

William (Bill) Haraden was born on a cold wintery day on the 17th day of December 1926 in a house heated by wood stove in northern Minnesota. He graduated from University of Minnesota BS, attended graduate school at Marquette University, got accepted into medical school, but his wife wanted to start a family. He worked 30 years in a research lab as a Metallurgist and Mechanical Engineer for Signode a Div. of Illinois Tool Works, 15 years for Kester Solder a Div, of Northrop/Litton Industries developing solder paste for cell phones and miniature electronic devices. He received the Litton Engineer of the Year Award at age 75 and retired as contract engineer for Northrop/Litton Industries at age 78. Bill was drafted into WWII, served in the

U.S. Army as Military Police and was stationed in Okinawa 9 days after atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima. He was a member of St Joseph Church since 1954 and sang in the choir for 20 years. Bill was born with the recessive farming gene, starting farming as a hobby in 1972, grew the farm to 750 acres with his three sons and they still farm today. Bill was known for his contagious smile, hilarious sense of humor and his tenacious ability to constructively debate. He was a brilliant man with a positive attitude and truly loved every day of life.

Bill Haraden is survived by his wonderful wife Marge Haraden, sons William B, Robert E, Brennan M, daughter in laws; Donna and Beth and grandchildren: Shawn, Krystal, Kyle, Kimberly, Amanda, Collin, Carlie, Bridgette, Breanna, Brooklynn and great grandsons; Bradley and Graham.

Memorials may be given to St Jude Children's Research Hospital, [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org) For info: 847-362-3009 or please share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

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<https://stjoseph.ivolunteer.com/funeraljune10>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 9. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
120 West Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048  
(847) 362-3009

# Tribute Wall

PW

“ So sorry to hear of your loss prayers for the family. My parents Homer & Carol Hanson were friends of Bill & Marge, my mom worked at the telephone company with Marge years ago. After my parents died in '02 & '13 I sent Christmas cards to your parents it was nice hearing from them. Pam (Hanson) Williams Brooklyn Park, Minnesota

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**Pam (Hanson) Williams** - May 21, 2022 at 01:03 PM

SL

“ My Great Uncle Bill and Aunt Marge have been welcoming me into their home for 45 years on my way from MN to W VA, PA, CT, DC, and Ann Arbor. Every time I was treated like the most special person on earth welcomed with smiles, good food, long conversations and gratitude for the visit. A tie to my Haraden past is gone but will never be forgotten. Stephanie (Ivanca) Lodge, Duluth, MN

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**Stephanie Lodge** - June 09, 2020 at 03:42 PM

JL

“ Brennan, Beth and girls... We all know it is always a hard time of life to live through the loss of a parent. Please know our prayers and thoughts are with y'all. Hopefully, God will give you a thought or moment in history of a special time and memory to let your heart smile and give you strength to celebrate the years you had with your dad (grandpa). God Bless and we love you guys!  
Sincerely  
Janet, Johnny and Lizzy

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**Janet Johnny & Lizzy** - June 09, 2020 at 12:39 PM

SG

“ Sincerely, The Gresham purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of William "Bill" Haraden.



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**Sincerely, The Gresham** - June 09, 2020 at 12:37 PM

CK

“ Very sorry to hear of the passing of your father. He was an accomplished man and someone to be very proud of. May you find comfort in family, friends and special memories you shall forever hold dear. With deepest sympathies, Cindy & Kurt Knutson

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**Cindy Knutson** - June 08, 2020 at 04:58 PM

SS

“ To Marge and family. Our deepest condolences in the loss of Bill to you and your family. In the 49 years that we lived in Libertyville, Bill was not only a great neighbor but a true friend. He had a great smile. Always had a story to tell as well as few jokes. He will be truly missed. Rest In Peace. Jim and Sue Schuler and family.

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**susan schuler** - June 08, 2020 at 12:03 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Haraden.



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June 07, 2020 at 09:27 PM

JW

“ First, let us say condolences and our deepest sympathy to Marge and the entire Haraden family. Second, we would like to share some fond memories of Bill. We have been neighbors for the past 22 years. Bill and Marge were two of the first people to greet us when we moved in and made us feel very welcome. Every year at Halloween we would make a point of going to the Haraden's house to trick or treat with our kids. It was never a normal 20 second stop at their home for candy. The Haradens would always usher us into their home and tell us to sit down and we would chat about numerous subjects. The conversation was always fun and we had some good laughs. Bill's mind was sharp as a tack and I could listen to him for hours. One year we were at their house for 90 minutes and we realized we better run or the kids would not get to trick or treat any other houses. It was a tradition to visit the Haradens on Halloween and our kids still talk about it. Bill was a very, very active man throughout his 80s and even into his 90s working on his tractors and various other tasks. He was a history book on our subdivision and knew every person who lived in every home in our area as it developed over the years. We should all only wish to be as fit both physically and mentally into our 90s as Bill Haraden or to be blessed by a lasting marriage of a truly astounding 71 years!!! Bill was a gentle soul with a big smile and friendly disposition. It was always a pleasure to see him. We will greatly miss Bill and his friendship and zeal for life. He lived it well. To the Haraden family: our prayers are with you and may fond memories of Bill help your through this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Jim, Deanna, Teddy, Bailey, and James Willemsen

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Jim Willemsen - June 06, 2020 at 07:11 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Haraden.



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June 06, 2020 at 02:58 PM