



Elton "Bill" W Graham

August 3, 1942 - May 19, 2021

Elton (Bill) W Graham, Jr. age 78, of Pickerington, OH, died Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at Diley Ridge Medical Center in Canal Winchester.

Born August 31, 1942 in Brownwood, TX to Elton Graham Sr. and Mary Louise Berry. Bill started school in Laredo, TX and later graduated from Mathis High School in Mathis, TX. After graduation, he joined the Army where he served his country in Vietnam. After his service, he moved to San Antonio and raised his family for the next 20 years. He also continued in higher education, receiving the first diploma from National Autonomous University of Mexico in Mexico City. He also worked at the San Antonio Express newspaper and at Brooks Air Force base for many years. He retired working in public relations at Laughlin Air Force base in Del Rio, TX.

He is survived by his wife, Yong Vodicka of Pickerington, Ohio, and his children, Del Rey Graham of Clyde, TX, Robin Meredith (Danny) of Bastrop, TX, Suleta Altgelt (James) of Bastrop, TX, Leslie Morgan (Houston) of Abilene, TX, Gina LeGoullon (Michael) of Clyde, TX; step son, Kevin Vodicka, of Columbus, OH, and step daughter, Kim Vodicka (Alex) of Austin, TX. He is also survived by many, many grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents and his only sibling, Dudley Graham.

Interment with military honors will take place 10:45 am Thursday, June 10, 2021 at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio, Texas.

Cemetery Details

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery

1520 Harry Wurzbach
San Antonio, TX 78209

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 9. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels South, Cemeteries & Crematories
1700 SE Military Dr
San Antonio, TX 78214
(210) 924-4242
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

Graveside Service with Military Honors

JUN 10. 10:45 AM (CT)

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery
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San Antonio, TX 78209

Tribute Wall



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Elton "Bill" W Graham.*



June 08, 2021 at 10:34 PM



“ *There is a massive hole in our lives, in our hearts. There are so many things I will FOREVER miss. I will miss his smile and his laugh. I will miss his stories and never ending knowledge. I will miss moving his watch to see the snake bite mark. I will miss holding his hand and feeling that pinky curl around my hand perfectly. I will miss his never late, never missing presence at birthdays, holidays, major life events. (even his ecards were always something we treasured.) I could go on and on, I guess. Life will go on, so they say.... But this world will be a little less bright without his big, beautiful light shining here.*

Gina Graham LeGoullon - June 08, 2021 at 05:51 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Elton "Bill" W Graham.*



June 04, 2021 at 10:54 AM

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“ *Bill was an amazing person. His death will leave a large void in so many lives. May he rest now, in peace and watch over all the people he touched during his life.* ”



Kim Vodicka - May 28, 2021 at 07:12 PM