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William Bill Robert Downing was born February 9, 1947 in San Antonio, Texas to Reidus and Virginia Downing. After a short battle with lung cancer at St. Luke's Baptist Hospital in San Antonio, Texas, his Lord took him home on May 27, 2015. He was 68 years old. Bill grew up in San Antonio. After graduating from Marshall High School in 1966, he joined the US Navy where he proudly and honorably served his enlisted tour. Afterward, Bill discovered he had a talent for connecting with people. He succeeded in sales over a long career in two-way communications and the home improvements industry. Bill married Karen Frances West in 1983 in San Antonio. They moved to many locations across the country, as Bill had a talent for successfully opening and staffing new offices. They enjoyed this adventure and were happily married for 32 years. Bill had a passion for high performance sports cars. He enjoyed tweaking motors for more horsepower. He also enjoyed boating, bicycling, and golf.

Bill was preceded in death by his father Reidus Downing and mother Virginia Downing. He is survived by his wife Karen Downing and three children: son Chris Downing and wife Amy of Cleburne, Texas; daughter April Downing Johnson and husband Todd of Sachse, Texas; daughter Holly Downing Greenstein of Carrollton, Texas; six grandchildren and five great-

grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held at Mission Park North Funeral Chapel, 3401 Cherry Ridge, San Antonio, Texas at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, June 9, 2015. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the wonderful organization that cared for Bill and supported his wife in their time of need at Optum Palliative & Hospice Care, 5835 Callaghan Rd, Suite 400, San Antonio, TX 78228.