



## William E. Branard Jr.

March 9, 1945 - January 18, 2022

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William E. Branard Jr., age 76, went to be with the lord at his home on January 18th, 2022 surrounded by his loving family. He was born in San Antonio, Texas to Carrie Marie “Peggy” and William E. Branard Sr.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and his sister, Martha Ann Kappel.

Bill is survived by his wife, Cheryl Branard and son Austin Branard, daughter Wendi Bivings (Brice), Brother-in-law Fred Kappel(Martha Ann) his sister, Patti Zaiontz (Milton), Grandchildren Brooke and Braeden Bivings. Numerous nieces, nephews, and lifelong friends.

Anyone who knew him, knows he was a hardworking, perfectionist who took great pride in his accomplishments. He started working as a young boy for his father who owned several service stations in San Antonio. He proudly served in the United States Navy, joining when he was 18 years old and spent his active years on the USS Macdonough. Following his time in the Navy, he became a Shriner and began his career in the auto and insurance industry, retiring from USAA in 2007.

Bill was an avid hunter and fisherman. He began hunting and fishing with his father at a young age and continued to throughout his life. His favorite pastimes were spent outdoors with his family and friends hunting all throughout Texas and Colorado and fishing all along the Texas coast. He also enjoyed spending time at the coast with his beach family.

Bill had a strong faith in the Lord and is now shining in the kingdom of heaven.

Visitation will be held from 5:00pm to 8:00pm, Thursday, January 27th, 2022. Funeral services will be held at 12:00pm, Friday, January 28th, 2022. Both will be located at Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Park & Funeral Home on 1701 Austin Hwy.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Coastal Conservation Association Texas (CCA). <https://ccatexas.org/donate/>

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Park

1701 Austin Highway  
San Antonio, TX 78218

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 27. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels North Cherry Ridge  
3401 Cherry Ridge Drive  
San Antonio, TX 78230

## Funeral Service

JAN 28. 12:00 PM (CT)

Mission Park Funeral Chapels Cherry Ridge  
3401 Cherry Ridge Dr  
San Antonio, TX 78230  
(210) 349-1414  
<https://www.missionparks.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemeteries created a Webcast in memory of William E. Branard Jr.*



Mission Park Funeral Chapels & Cemetery - January 28, 2022 at 10:49 AM

TP

“ *41 years-- Best friend I could have ever had. More stories and adventures than I could put in several books. Rest well my friend till we meet again----- Terry Poehlmann*

terry poehlmann - February 15, 2022 at 11:19 AM

GG

“ *My best friend during my last year of high school. Countless adventures together. Miss you bill and thank you for the memories. Hope to see you again in eternal places thanks to jesus christ our Lord.*

Gary gale - January 28, 2022 at 01:10 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William E. Branard Jr..*



January 27, 2022 at 01:13 PM

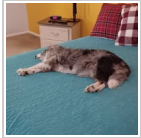


“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William E. Branard Jr..*



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January 27, 2022 at 12:01 PM



“ *Bill always wore a smile and made all of us laugh at work everyday. He was such an asset to the workforce. I always looked forward to coming to work just knowing Bill was going to give us all a good reason to laugh and smile all day. Rest in Peace, dear man. Prayers for his family.*

*Stacy Riley-Robinson*

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**Stacy Riley-Robinson** - January 27, 2022 at 04:51 AM



“ *Bill and Cheryl have been my neighbors for over 20 years. He will surely be missed. Rest In Peace Bill. 🙏*

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**Nancy Rosales** - January 26, 2022 at 10:41 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of William E. Branard Jr..*



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January 26, 2022 at 10:05 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William E. Branard Jr..*



January 26, 2022 at 09:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William E. Branard Jr..*



January 26, 2022 at 06:51 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of William E. Branard Jr..*



January 26, 2022 at 02:33 PM



“ *My dear sweet friend, Bill and neighbor. We sure had many laughs and los of stories to tell, miss you always and so glad I have you as an angel watchant over me! Love Bev*

**Beverley Wideman** - January 25, 2022 at 07:22 PM

MM

“ I meet Bill while I was training in the USAA Training Department in San Antonio, TX. He was always very pleasant and great to visit with. Bill was always giving me encouragement to work through issues for a positive result. I always looked up to him as he was easy to talk to and level headed (most of the time). He was one of the first local boys to accept this Colorado boy to San Antonio & TX. God has taken a good man and he will be missed. My sincere condolences to they family and especially Cheryl & Austin. God be with you. 🙏

Mike McCormick - January 25, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of William E. Branard Jr..



January 25, 2022 at 03:14 PM

LM

“ Bill and I have been friends for over 55 years, one of the best friends anyone could have. We spent many good times together, everything from going to different ranches I had looking for rattlesnakes and also riding dirt bikes along the Rio Grande river, also fishing in the Rio Grande price trips to the coast. No one will know how much I will miss him. Oh and all the good times we had together.

Larry Milstead - January 25, 2022 at 02:17 PM

RB

“ Randy and Michelle Barnes purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of William E. Branard Jr..



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**Randy and Michelle Barnes** - January 25, 2022 at 10:51 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of William E. Branard Jr..



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January 25, 2022 at 09:44 AM

JD

“ I first met Bill in Rocksprings in 2013, along with his lovely wife Cheryl and Austin. Out in the middle of nowhere deer hunting. Bill had just had a stroke at the time. But, let me tell you what, it wasn't holding him down. He still was comical and inspirational. I loved to listen to his knowledge, and advise and he didn't mind sharing. Even if it hurt your feelings. He would tell you how it was. He always talked about his family to me. His love for his family was what he mostly talked about. I never met his daughter Wendy and Austin was so mature and advanced for his age. He was a great father and loving husband. RIP Bill. You will be truly missed. Watch over us all

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**jack durell** - January 25, 2022 at 02:10 AM

BL

“ Bill was my Dad Gary’s best friend growing up and like a favorite type uncle to me as I grew up . He was the one with cool hot rods , motorcycles, Boats and carried himself like a James Dean kinda guy. He always told and enjoyed a fun story and made me feel cool 😎 too . As a adult he praised me for the family man I had become . He always wanted to hear how my families doing and I felt he really cared . He was a man I looked up to and I’m going to miss him. Rest In Peace Bill . I’ll see you again some day .

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**Brian Loessberg** - January 25, 2022 at 12:47 AM

GG

Brian. I knew your dad through bill. Actually I bought my first car from your dad, a 55 ford.

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**Gary gale** - January 28, 2022 at 01:25 PM



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January 25, 2022 at 12:14 AM

SA

“ Bill helped me kick start my career at USAA. He was the first person I did a ride along with as a new adjuster. I knew I wanted to work in the field after seeing how much he enjoyed his work. Now 30 years later I am still enjoying my field work at USAA. Thank you Bill. He would always make you laugh and was a straight shooter. He was a great co-worker and I'm glad to have called him my friend.

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**Shawn Anchors** - January 24, 2022 at 04:52 PM

SM

*Bill was truly like a ray of sunshine! He told the BEST stories! So many fun times had and so many beautiful memories made. He was essentially a family member to us. We will miss him dearly but know heaven has gained a beautiful soul.*

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**Sonia Meaux** - January 24, 2022 at 10:05 PM

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**Larry Milstead** - January 25, 2022 at 11:57 AM

CC

*RIP my neighbor dear Bill. I will miss seeing you drive your jeep with Austin up and down the street. And seeing you working in your garage as I'm coming home from work. We all in Ridgehaven are better neighbors because of you. Love you Buddy. Carmen, Jade and Jocelyn*

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**Carmen Carlile** - January 25, 2022 at 09:46 PM

MS

*Mike and Julie Sc*

*Bill was a wonderful relative and a kind soul. We will Miss him very much but are grateful to have known him. Our thoughts and prayers are with Cheryl and Austin, we Love You All!❤️🙏 God Bless You !🙏*

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**Mike and Julie Schroeder** - January 27, 2022 at 11:45 AM