

In June 1990, he was diagnosed with colon cancer. In the morning, before the surgery, he expressed that he was afraid of dying. The devotional booklet "Our Daily Bread" had the story of the prodigal son for that day's reading. Mum read it to him and talked with him about it, and he received Jesus as his Saviour at that time. It was a life-changing experience for him. After surgery, he made 56 weekly trips to the Tom Baker Cancer Center for chemotherapy.

Bill had a keen mind, and even with only a grade 8 education, he was very good at crossword puzzles, often getting the words ahead of those of us who had more education than him! He also loved "puttering" in his shop and caring for his properties. The highlight of his week was to go to the Acme Seniors and play pool with retired buddies on Tuesdays. He always told Mum, " Don't make an appointment on a Tuesday!" Another of his loves was the Toronto Blue Jays baseball team. He so enjoyed their World Series run this past fall and was so disappointed when they didn't win.

In retirement, Dad & Mom took our family on a trip to Mexico, visited the Dominican Republic, and took several bus tours. They were in Ottawa on a Parliament Hill tour on Sept. 11/2001. They thought they got gypped when they were hustled out after only about 10 minutes! Then, a couple of days later, they were in Gander NFLD, where they drove past all the jets that were grounded there. Travelling was ok, but his happy place was their home.

In 2024, due to declining health, he was moved into Westview Care Community at Linden. While there, he still enjoyed playing crib, watching the Blue Jays, and joking with the staff.

On July 9, last year, Bill turned 100 years old! A community party was held on July 12 at the Acme Seniors Association, with 125 people signing his guest card. A special surprise was his granddaughter Brooke and her 2 children coming all the way from Australia. He enjoyed the whole day immensely, greeting friends and family. He even joined us at Connie and Hughs' farm for an evening barbecue, staying up way past his bedtime until 8:00 p.m.! One month later, Dad and Mum celebrated their 70th anniversary.

Bill was predeceased by his parents, two sisters, and five brothers. He is survived by his beloved, Peggy; his daughter, Connie (Hugh); their son, Ian, and daughter, Carlie (James), Dylan, Lincoln, Ethan, Charlotte. He is also survived by his son, Jim (Barb), their daughter, Carmen (Rob), Peyton & Paige; daughter, Brooke (Roy), Liam & Rochelle Anne; son, Joshua; and son, Jacob (Alexandria). He is also survived by a sister-in-law, Donna, a brother-in-law, Ken, and many nieces and nephews.

The family would like to thank Dr. Kyne, Three Hills Hospital, Home Care, Dr. Calhoun, and the Westview Care Community staff for the wonderful, loving care they provided to Bill over the past few years.

We'd also like to thank all those who took time to stop in and visit Dad & brighten his days.

Sunset
Funeral Service
Linden: 804-543-3903
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*"Jesus said, I am the resurrection and the life.
Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying."*

John 11:25 NLT



In Loving Memory of
**William "Bill" Herbert
Bauer**

July 9, 1925 - January 8, 2026
100 Years