

*Psalm 23*

*1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.*

*2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:  
he leadeth me beside the still waters.*

*3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths  
of righteousness for his name's sake.*

*4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art  
with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.*

*5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence  
of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil;  
my cup runneth over.*

*6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all  
the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house  
of the LORD for ever.*

*In Loving Memory of*



*William Joseph  
McDowell*

*June 22, 1940  
April 24, 2024*

# *William Joseph McDowell*

William Joseph McDowell, 83, of Sedalia, MO, passed away on Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at his home. He was born on June 22, 1940, in Sedalia, the son of William Mac McDowell and Artie Nadine (Pettis) McDowell-Blakely, who preceded him in death.

On December 31, 1959, in Sedalia, MO, he was united in marriage to Nancy Homan, who preceded him in death on May 19, 2022.

Bill was a 1958 graduate of Smith-Cotton High School. After high school, Bill worked as a buyer and seller for Robinson's Shoes in Kansas City. In 1974, he moved back to Sedalia and opened his own shoe store known as the Shoe Gallery. In 1977, he started his own home construction business. He built several homes around the Sedalia area and started Sedalia's first Country Club Estates housing edition. In 2015, he started working for Lowe's at the age of 75, where he was known for his knowledge, customer service, and kind spirit.

Survivors include four children, Laurie Naylor of Kansas City, Heidi Schwartz of Sedalia, Kelly Sims of Sedalia, and William Joseph II and Maria McDowell of Sedalia; twelve grandchildren, Hilary, Casey, Brady, Glen, Josh, Holli, Zachary, Michael, Cassie, Taylor, Torry, and Trey; sixteen great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In addition to his wife and parents, Bill was preceded in death by a sister, Judy Woolery Camirand.

# *Celebration of Life Service*

11:00 a.m.

Monday, April 29, 2024

Rea Funeral Chapel

Sedalia, MO

## **Officiant**

Tremayne Umbles

## **Special Music**

*“How Great Thou Art”*

*“I’m Already There”*

*“Dance With My Father”* - Video Tribute

## **Inurnment**

Crown Hill Cemetery

Sedalia, MO

## **Honorary Bearers**

John Kelly, Beverly Rice, Myrna Ragar

Grandchildren, Great-Grandchildren

## **Memorial Contributions**

Loving Arms Memory Care and Assisted Living

Heartland Hospice