



## William "Bill" Dahl

July 27, 1942 - March 29, 2015

William "Bill" Michael Dahl, 72, passed away peacefully on March 29, 2015 in Orem, Utah. Will was born July 27, 1942 in Louisville, KY to George Kenneth Dahl and Anita Dye.

Will served in the U.S. Air Force Reserves as a military policeman from 1959 to 1965. Will then became a driver for Greyhound Bus Lines and traveled the country for 25 years. He was an avid storyteller and many of his stories came from his experiences in the Air Force and as a bus driver, where he met people from all walks of life including a busload of LDS missionaries who gave him a Book of Mormon. He became a convert to The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in 1976. After retiring from Greyhound, Will worked for Deseret Transportation as a truck driver for 13 years. One of his favorite stories was when he was one of the first trucks into New Orleans after hurricane Katrina, where he was able to unload much needed bottles of water and crates of food for the devastated people there.

Will was a cowboy at heart, usually sporting a cowboy hat and boots wherever he went. He was known for his strong handshake and the twinkle in his eye. He loved to tell jokes and had a contagious laugh. Will loved the mountains and nature, especially birds, which led him to buying homes in the mountains of Midway and Heber, Utah. He also loved old cars, even fulfilling his dream of owning a 1950's DeSoto Sedan when he was younger.

His siblings described him as a wonderful father, brother, son and friend, noting that he "hung in there" through his life's trials, keeping his spirited personality right up to the end.

Will is preceded in death by his father, George, and daughter, Heather Hornback Bland. He is survived by his daughters Rebel Lee (Tim), Angela Larrabee (Tim), Suzanne Bingham (Nathan), Rebekah Stauffer (Kyle) and Naomi Keller (Ryan) as well as 17 grandchildren. He is also survived by his mother, Anita Dye Dahl, his brother, Tom Dahl (Jean) and his sister, Anna Laura Thomas (Anselm).

The family would like to sincerely thank the staff at Lakeridge Senior Living in Orem and

Symbii Hospice for the outstanding care they provided to Will.

There will be a small, private memorial service at a later date when Will's remains will be placed to rest in the mountains he loved.

Funeral Director: Utah Valley Mortuary. Condolences may be expressed to the family at [www.uvfuneral.com](http://www.uvfuneral.com). Please leave contact information if interested in attending the service.

In lieu of cards/flowers please hang a bird feeder and feed and enjoy the birds in memory of Will.

We love you "Papa Bear", a bushel and a peck.