



# Mr. William Richard Milburn

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**M**r. William Richard Milburn age 77 of Boca Raton, Florida was called home by the Great Architect of the Universe on April 18, 2015. William was born on February 8, 1938 in Louisville, Kentucky to his loving parents, Mr. William Briscoe Milburn and Mrs. Grace (nee Wyatt) Haley. William joined the United States Marine Corp. on September 26, 1955 where he received his training as an Aviation Mechanic. He was also presented the Good Conduct Medal prior to being Honorably Discharged on September 25, 1959. After completing his duties with the United States Military, William followed his Aviation Mechanics Career and went to work for several small Fixed Based Operators for a number of years and then he gained employment with Pratt-Whitney Aeronautics for several years. Then William gained employment with National Airlines for a few years and during this employment he also bought into and operated a small aircraft engine overhaul facility, Aircraft Engine Services. During this time William maintained working 2 full time jobs for 11 years. Then in 1975 William teamed up with Ernest Moritz and became a Co-Owner of Airmark Engines, Inc. and Airmark Overhaul, Inc. and worked there until his retirement. William was also the Co-Founder of Airmark Components, Inc. Bill was a single engine rated pilot. William was a member of the Masonic Body and his home lodge was Eureka Lodge # 269 in Dania Beach, Florida and he was also a member of the dependent body of the Shriner's of South Florida. Some of William's other interests included watching old Western Movies starring his favorite actor, John Wayne. He also enjoyed putting together Model Aircraft and Radio Controlled Airplanes; as well as raising miniature horses and various other farm animals. He was a true Animal Lover bonding with God's other gifts to Humanity. All of his Godly Gifts combined together and created a hardworking, honest, generous, "Man of Integrity" with a Teddy Bear persuasion possessing a "Heart of Gold". He deeply loved his wife and children and he not only provided for their basic essential needs, but



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supplied them with a steady supply of love and affection. William Richard Milburn will be forever loved and honored by his family, friends and those that knew and loved him. Survivors include his loving and devoted wife of fifty six years, Joyce Milburn; his two adored daughters, Debra Dillon and husband, Robert and Kimberly Williams and husband, David; his admired sister, Betty Harvey; four treasured grandchildren, Jennifer Shapiro and husband, Kevin, Danielle Harber and husband, Joey, Tamara Williams and Brittany Williams; and four precious great grandchildren, Noah, River, Makenna and Mason. Family and friends will gather on Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 6:00 PM to Celebrate the Life of William Richard Milburn in the Chapel of Palm Beach Memorial Park Funeral Home, 3691 Seacrest Boulevard, Lantana, Florida 33462, (561) 586-1237 with Pastor Wayne L. Padgett the officiant. Those planning expressions of sympathy are asked to consider donating to the D.A.V. (Disabled American Veterans), PO Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301, (877) 426-2838 or for online donations to the D.A.V go to: [www.dav.org/](http://www.dav.org/) or the Wounded Warrior Project, 4899 Belfort Road, Suite 300, Jacksonville, Florida 32256, (904) 296-7350 or for online donations to the Wounded Warrior Project go to: [www.woundedwarriorproject.org/](http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/) in Loving Memory of William Richard Milburn. Online condolences can be shared at: [www.palmbeachmemorial.com..](http://www.palmbeachmemorial.com..)



## Events


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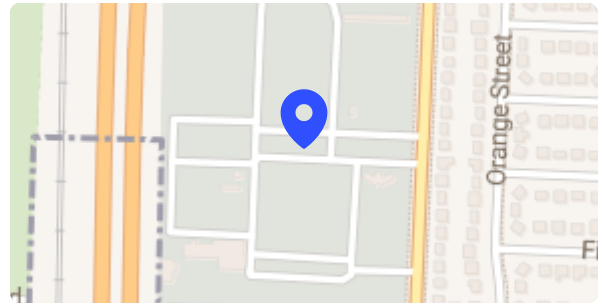
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### Celebration of Life Service

 **Thursday**, April 23, 2015

 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET

 **Palm Beach Memorial Funeral Home**  
3691 North Seacrest Blvd., Lantana FL 33462





## Tribute Wall

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JS

**Jennifer Shapiro** posted:

I love you, Grandpa and think of you every day. You will forever live in my heart. I am so lucky to have been your granddaughter.

May 11 at 5:32 AM

EL

**Evelyn Legot** sent a Secret Garden Basket to the Milburn family.



April 23 at 8:18 AM

BS

**Bob Shaw** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Milburn family.



April 23 at 7:50 AM

BS

**Bob Shaw** posted:

To my red neck friend of 45 years from your medicare hippy buddy. Bob

April 23 at 7:31 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Milburn family.



April 23 at 4:51 AM

PC

**Pam Chaiser** posted:

Kim, Dave, Tamara, Brittany, and Noah, Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of remembrance of a fun, loving father, grandfather, and great-grandfather Sincerely, The Chaiser Family

April 23 at 4:04 AM



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**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Milburn family.

April 22 at 8:21 PM



**Tommy & Lisa Tucker** sent a Florist Choice Bouquet to the Milburn family.

April 22 at 6:55 PM



**James, Morgan And Cassidy Musgrove** sent a Rose Remembrance to the Milburn family.

April 22 at 3:18 PM



**James Musgrove** posted:

As a Employee for 27 years with Airmark I learn so much from Bill not only as an aircraft mechanic but equally to become the person I am today I have always held a deep respect and admiration and came to think of him more as a true friend rather than a boss, when I left the company he told me (I feel like I raised you) How right you were Bill.

April 22 at 2:42 PM



**Anonymous** sent an Arrive in Style to the Milburn family.

April 22 at 1:18 PM





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LP

**Lenny Pollard** posted:

It is so hard to put the 24 years that I have known Bill into a small paragraph. He owned the company that I work for and yet you could kid with him like he was your best friend from high school. He believed so deeply in the ultimate survival of Airmark that he once told me that he would fire himself if he thought it was in the best interest of the company. He also advised me not to teach people EVERYTHING I know because that would make me replaceable. Strange advice from the man that owned the company whose workers I trained but he was a highly principled man that respected another's individuality. I am proud to have known him and I am privileged to have benefited from his vast knowledge and friendship. My deepest condolences to the Williams and Milburn families as well as to his extended family and all that knew him. Lenny Pollard

April 22 at 1:02 PM

GH

**Ginny Hicks** posted:

Debbie my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in the loss of your Dad.

April 22 at 4:46 AM

AW

**Allen Weiss, Ceu** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Milburn family.



April 22 at 12:22 AM

ZS

**Zachary Schaefer** posted:

I am so happy to have shared memories with you. I can almost remember riding horses and playing with the slot machine. Just know you will be missed and will never be forgotten. I love you uncle Bill.

April 21 at 4:13 PM

SS

**Sharon Schaefer** posted:

I am so blessed to be able to call him my Uncle. We always had such a great time talking and cutting up. I appreciate all the bits of wisdom he would share not to mention how wonderful he was to my mom. I will remember dinner at the Arc, trips to the farm and way back when at the Ky State Fair. Uncle Billy, you will be missed! Hugs and Kisses to you! ~your niece, Sharon

April 21 at 4:07 PM



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DL

**Dave Les** posted:

As an employee of Mr. Milburn's company, I had the honor of meeting him. We both served in Marine aviation, although he went in 28 years before me!. My condolences to the Williams family. Semper Fi David Les

April 21 at 11:16 AM

AK

**Andrew Kelly** posted:

GOD BLESS THE MILBURN FAMILY AND HELP THEM THROUGH THIS TIME OF SORROW. BILL WAS A GOOD MAN AND WILL BE SADLY MISSED . ANDREW KELLY

April 21 at 8:06 AM

LH

**Lucy "Levia" Hernandez** lit a candle in honor of William .



April 21 at 4:26 AM

LH

**Lucy "Levia" Hernandez** posted:

The best boss ever!

April 21 at 4:00 AM

GW

**Greg Wilkins** posted:

Uncle Billy will be missed deeply! I will never forget the time he gave me a job. He said to me "If I catch you on the phone making a personal call I will fire you!" I believed him so I never made one. He was tough on the outside but, a truly caring man on the inside. I will miss you Uncle Bill! I will always think of you when I see a small plane or a miniature horse. Thanks for believing in me and being the great person you are! Love always your nephew Greg

April 21 at 2:40 AM

RE

**Rica Emergui** lit a candle in honor of William .



April 21 at 12:30 AM



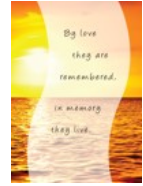
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**Michael M.** sent a sympathy card to the Milburn family.



April 20 at 9:55 PM



**Michael Moritz** posted:

My deepest condolences to the Milburn family. He was always "Uncle Bill" to me and I viewed him as part of the family. He always greeted me with a warm smile and a hearty laugh. I always felt welcomed going into the engine shop and he showed a genuine interest in me and an appreciation for what I was doing. He and my father, Ernest Moritz, made a great team and I am forever grateful for all that they accomplished together and for the good times that they shared. Their legacy lives on. Michael L. Moritz, M.D.

April 20 at 8:43 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring William by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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