



## William "Mr. Bill" Hamilton

March 8, 1942 - April 8, 2023

William H. "Bill" Hamilton III, age 81 of Columbus, passed away on Saturday April 8, 2023 at his home. Bill was born on March 8, 1942 in Dayton to the late William H and Betty (Gustin) Hamilton. Bill was a graduate of Grandview Hts HS, where he was a Rook. After proudly serving his country as a Marine, he went to The Ohio State University where he received a BFA. Bill taught Art in Florida, then back in Ohio he owned Hamilton Design & Associates (graphic design firm), was a professional photographer, and was Creative Director at Highlights For Children. He also worked in the paint dept of The Home Depot, where he was known as "Mister Bill" until he retired at age 80. He loved golfing, fishing, and making beautiful wood boxes but more than anything he loved supporting his OSU Buckeyes and attending football games. William is preceded in death by his parents, his granddaughter Grace Corbitt, and his ex-wife Kippy Schaffer. He is survived by his wife Julia, children Chel Hamilton, Derek Hamilton (Juliette Mitchell), and Megan Hamilton; grandchildren Gabe Eby, Alex Baldwin, Misha Jacoby, Austin Baldwin, and Eli Corbitt; step-grandson Ryan Wittmann (Natalie); sisters Claudia Lauer and Holly Hamilton; his mother-in-law Dawn George and sister-in-law Eva Carr; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and loving friends. A Celebration of Life gathering will be held on Saturday April 22, 2023 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm with a Celebration of Life service at 4:00pm at the RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High Street in Worthington. Attire is flexible--casual with an OSU theme is welcomed. Condolences to [www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com](http://www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com)

e.com. Friends may, if they wish, contribute to [www.nationwidechildrens.org/giving](http://www.nationwidechildrens.org/giving) in his memory.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Gathering

APR **22**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford Corbin Funeral Home  
515 High Street  
Worthington, OH 43085

## Celebration of Life:

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Sending condolences. He was a great help many times at the paint counter when we first moved to Hilliard and I was painting several rooms in our new house. Always a friendly face and helpful.*

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**Lori Lee** - April 23, 2023 at 11:44 AM



“ *I met and got to know Bill as a college intern at Hamilton Design in the summer of 1974. Bill had a significant, positive impact on my career. I admired his charming manner and creative spirit. Though I cannot attend his memorial service this weekend, I will be celebrating his life and his memory from afar. My condolences go out to his family and friends.*

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**Roderick Ebright** - April 20, 2023 at 11:30 PM



*My sincere condolences to Hamilton family. Bill was a bright spot in my painting career. Getting to know him was a true pleasure and he will be missed.*

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**Kevin E Fullen** - April 22, 2023 at 09:43 AM



“ *Bill was a precious, kind and extremely talented man. God bless his entire family and my sweet friend Holly who feels his loss so deeply. 💜*

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**Jeri Trannett DeTillio** - April 19, 2023 at 02:57 PM

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“ I’m so sorry for your loss. I got to know Bill while working at the Hilliard Home Depot. He was a great guy and very knowledgeable. I had many customers tell me that Bill was the reason why they bought paint from our store. He always helped me with any questions I had about painting or staining. He even gave me some of his personal gel stain to match a vanity that I purchased. He will be truly missed.

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**Larry Fisher** - April 17, 2023 at 11:53 PM

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“ Bill was a terrific individual and touched so many lives. So many customers would actually leave and come in the next day should if it was Bill's day off. When he was out for a month on leave, I received so many inquiries as to when he would return. This personable touch extended to the Home Depot family as well. His ability to guide, teach and lead is sorely missed here at our store and throughout the Columbus market. We all thank God for the gift that was Bill Hamilton for we were the beneficiaries.

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**Gary Hall** - April 17, 2023 at 07:54 AM

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“ ROGER USMC  
IT CANNOT BE INHERITED  
NOR CAN IT EVER BE  
PURCHASED. YOU AND NO ONE ALIVE  
CAN BUY IT FOR ANY PRICE  
IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO RENT  
AND CANNOT BE LENT  
YOU ALONE AND OUR OWN  
HAVE EARNED IT WITH  
YOUR SWEAT,BLOOD AND LIVES  
YOU WON IT FOREVER  
THE TITLE  
UNITED STATES MARINE  
GO WITH GOD MY BROTHER  
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ROGER MALONE - April 16, 2023 at 01:39 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of William "Mr. Bill" Hamilton.



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April 12, 2023 at 09:16 PM

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“ "Mr. Bill's Wild Ride" that's how I'll remember his life--he lived it to the fullest! I loved him and I will miss him. Rest with Jesus my dear friend. ❤️🙏  
Pat Altenburg

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Pat Altenburg - April 11, 2023 at 08:34 AM

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*Dear Bill,  
You have been a cousin, a best friend and a great joy to me.  
" The seasons pass the years will roll  
Time and change will surely show  
Him firm thy friendship" to all those you know.  
I love you Bill.  
Now it is time to rest with God*

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**Fred Altenburg** - April 11, 2023 at 03:07 PM

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*So sad to hear of "Uncle Bill's" passing. He and my Dad, Bill Lusk, had many good times together.  
-Kathy (Lusk) Seecamp*

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**Kathy Lusk Seecamp** - May 31, 2023 at 04:03 PM