



## William W. Preston III

May 30, 2013

William "Bill" Witmer Preston III, age 82, of Powell, OH, died peacefully Thursday, May 30, 2013. Veteran US Army, Korea. Retired from Jones Middle School, Upper Arlington, where he taught for 28 years, and Grace Brethren Middle School, Worthington, where he taught for an additional 10 years. Member of Grace Brethren Church and Gideons International. Graduate Linden McKinley High School and The Ohio State University where he received his Bachelors and Masters Degrees in Education (Industrial Arts). Bill was a loving son, husband, father, teacher, mentor, and friend. An exceptionally kind, gentle, humble man and devoted Christian who dedicated his life to the service of the Lord Jesus Christ, he will be greatly missed by the countless friends and students whose lives he touched. Preceded in death by first wife Dolores Jean Preston, parents William Witmer Preston Jr., and Malva Gladys Preston. Survived by wife, Linda Sue Preston; son, Bradley Stephan Preston; daughters, Diane Michelle Kinnell and Lynda Renee McCartney; step-sons, David Jack Schaffner, Glennon Dwite Schaffner and William Michael Schaffner, whom he loved as his own; 11 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. Funeral Service 1 p.m. Saturday, June 1, 2013 at RUTHERFORD-CORBIN FUNERAL HOME, 515 High Street, Worthington, where the family will receive friends from 12Noon until time of service. Rev. Brad Preston officiating. Interment with military honors Kingwood Memorial Park, 8230 Columbus Pike, Lewis Center, OH. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Bill's memory to The Gideons International at [www.gideons.or](http://www.gideons.or)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *William W. Preston III*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *I have fond memories of Mr. Preston when the family lived near us on Glenmont. We made spook houses in the basement, underground forts in the garden, and he took us to Jones Middle School (The school my three sons attended - who would've thought?) in the summer to work in the shop while we played hide-and-seek. I remember him as nice, kind and fun! I also have fond memories of you, Brad, Diane, Lynda, and your mom. I am so sorry for your loss. Please feel free to contact me if you would like. Sandy (Hodapp) Allen*

**Sandy (Hodapp) Allen** - June 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the entire Preston family. We knew and worked with Bill both at Jones Junior High and Worthington Christian Schools. It was an honor and privilege to know him. He will be greatly missed, but we will see him again in heaven.*

**Jacque and Bill Vorlicky** - June 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *With all our love to you and yours. He was a GREAT man. God bless. Jack and Rose Preston, Sr.*

**Rose & John Preston, Sr.** - June 02, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ I wanted to convey my condolences to Bill's family who I never met. I knew Mr. Preston as my metal shop teacher at Jones Jr. High around 1970. For many years my family had a chandelier hanging in our kitchen and a branding (with my initials) with the poker & shovel by our fireplace, both products of Bill's instruction. As a young man, I remember him as a kind, gentle and soft-spoken man (outstanding qualities considering that he dealt with Jr. Highers!), willing to be patient with a kid that didn't always get it the first time. I didn't know Bill was a believer until I began seeing him at church when I would periodically return to Columbus. However, when I learned that he knew the Lord, I remembered an example very compatible with the Gospel. I, along with my wife, Joy, have been missionaries to France and Africa for the last 25 years.

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**Mark Sims** - June 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM