



## Bill Wihlm

May 9, 1944 - April 26, 2024

William 'Bill' Wihlm, 79, of Greene, passed away at his home Friday, April 26, 2024. Mass of Christian Burial will be held 10:30 a.m., Thursday, May 2, at St. Mary Catholic Church, Greene, with burial at St. Mary Cemetery, Greene. Visitation will be 4:00 – 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, at Woodley Funeral Home, 519 N. 1st St., Greene, with a Rosary by the Knights of Columbus at 7:00 p.m.

Bill was born in Rockwell, Iowa May 9, 1944, to Alphonse and Rose (Esser) Wihlm, the oldest of 11 children. He attended Roseville Catholic School through the 8th grade and graduated from Rockford High School. He worked for Vala's Lumber Yard in Roseville for a time after high school and then farmed with his father and brother, Larry. During this time he also raised hogs and cattle. Later with his father and brothers, Larry and Dick they started 4W LLC and operated hog confinements in the Greene and Roseville areas. Bill was a member of the Knights of Columbus, he enjoyed working at the Friday night fish fries; he served on the St. Mary Catholic Church Board; and was a commissioner for the Floyd County Soil & Water Conservation District.

Bill was united in marriage to Shelby Steere at St. Mary Church, Greene July 11, 1964. This union lasted for nearly 60 years, and they were blessed with 3 children.

Bill enjoyed bowling every Wednesday night in Greene and also couples

league with Shelby on Sunday evenings in Charles City. His favorite hobby was fishing with his family on vacations in Minnesota and several fishing trips with friends. Bill enjoyed playing cards and cribbage; watching all Iowa and Iowa State sports; and especially going to his grandchildren's sporting events. He rarely missed the local farmer coffee and gossip hour and after he was no longer able to attend, he depended on his brother, Larry, to keep him updated on local events. One of his favorite things to do was help serve lunches at Fezz's for his good friends Jim and Shirley Fesenmeyer.

Left to cherish his memory are his loving wife, Shelby; daughter Ann (Brian) Voelker, Charles City; Brian Wihlm, Osage; Matthew (Brent) Wihlm, Ankeny; grandchildren: Ryan Voelker; Whitney (Brandon) Franke; Seth (Alex) Nordmeyer; Ethan (Keegan) Voelker; Jacob Wihlm: Nathan (finance' Kelsi) Wihlm; 5 great-grandchildren: Zuri; Oaklynn; Landry; Ripp; Coleman; brothers and sisters: Dan Wihlm; Larry (Jane) Wihlm; Kathy Brunsma; David (Linda) Wihlm; Connie (Bruce) Helgeson; Barb (Bob) Raisty; Judy (David) True; Mike Wihlm; Uncles Bob Wihlm; Wayne Larson; Clarence Kirchhoff; many nieces, nephews and good friends.

Bill is preceded in death by his parents Alphonse and Rose Wihlm; brother Dick Wihlm; sister-in-law Micki Wihlm; sister Rosie Trees; brother-in-law Bryan Trees; sister-in-law Karen Wihlm.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary Catholic Cemetery

Lodge Ave  
Greene, IA 50636

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 1. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Greene - Woodley Funeral Home  
519 N 1St St  
Greene, IA 50636  
(641) 823-4457

## Rosary

MAY 1. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Greene, IA 50636  
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## Service

MAY 2. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary Catholic Church  
Main Street  
Greene, IA 50636



# Tribute Wall

CN

“ *Cerro Gordo Soil & Water Board & NRCS purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Bill Wihlm.*



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**Cerro Gordo Soil & Water Board & NRCS** - April 30, 2024 at 04:46 PM

JK

“ *Please accept my best wishes for you and the family, Shelby; and prayers and remembrances for Bill. He was a good man.*

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**James F Koenigsfeld** - April 29, 2024 at 11:45 PM

FK

“ *Fr. Jim Koenigsfeld purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Bill Wihlm.*



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**Fr. Jim Koenigsfeld** - April 29, 2024 at 02:25 PM

DH

“ *Sorry to hear of Bill's passing prayers for Shelby and family sincerely Diana Hobbs*

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**Diana Hobbs** - April 28, 2024 at 04:15 PM

BM

“ You have my sympathy. I have to ask a question, Shelby are you related to Anna Rover? I don't remember your husband but I remember having fun at Aunt Anna's with you. My heart goes out to your family. Beverly (Young) Mannes

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**Beverly Mannes** - April 28, 2024 at 04:07 PM



Yes she is 😊

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**Danise Flood** - April 29, 2024 at 07:22 PM

SW

Yes, Beverly - Anna is my Grandma, Shelby

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**Shelby Wihlm** - May 04, 2024 at 12:31 PM

LS

“ Bill, Shelby , Jerry & I used to go to basketball games together when our daughters played. Bill & Jerry always knew a “shortcut”. Shelby & I used to laugh & say if we were driving we would have gotten to the game on time!!! Lol

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**LaVon Steere** - April 28, 2024 at 08:39 AM