



William Edward West

July 16, 1949 - April 12, 2026

William Edward “Bill” West, 76, passed away Sunday, April 12, 2026. He was born July 16, 1949.

West graduated from West Jones High School in 1968 and later attended Jones County Junior College. He proudly served in the Mississippi National Guard from 1969 to 1975.

On July 17, 1970, he married the love of his life, Pamela Brown West, and they shared many wonderful years together.

West served as Vice President of his family’s business, West Quality Foods. He was very active in the Masonic community as a Master Mason, a 32° Scottish Rite Mason, and a York Rite Mason. He was also a dedicated Shriner and member of the Hamasa Shriners Motor Corps. He served as Potentate of the Hamasa Shriners in 2006 and 2014. He was a member of West Laurel Baptist Church.

Bill deeply loved his family. His granddaughters were the light of his life, and he especially enjoyed taking them on trips to Disney World and spending time making memories with them.

He was preceded in death by his father, Victor C. West; his mother, Louise

Parrish West; and his great-nephew, Braiden West.

Survivors include his wife, Pamela West; son, Ken West (Debbie); granddaughters, McKenzie West and Karlei West; brothers Dick (Pat) West, Steve (Cherie) West, Tim (Theresa) West; and a host of nieces and nephews.

The family offers special thanks to home-care sitters Ricky Nicholson, Reena Hilton, and Keariea Hilton for their care and support.

Visitation will be at Memory Chapel Funeral Home Wednesday 1:00 pm-1:45 pm with a graveside service immediately following at Shady Grove Cemetery at 2:00 pm with services conducted by Bro. Curtis Heck, Terry Lacey, and Bro. Robert Scruggs.

Serving as pallbearers are Gary West, Mike West, Christopher West, Donnie West, Hudson Bryant and Dwight Dixon.

Honorary pallbearers are David Schutz, Mac Kitchens, David Childress, Bart Gavin, Rick Dickerson, and the Hamasa Shriners.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be made to the Hamasa Shriners Transportation Fund at 5516 Dale Dr., Marion, MS 39342.

To view or sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Shady Grove Cemetery

4514 Hy 15 N
Laurel, MS 39443

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **15**. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home
3100 Audubon Drive
P. O. Box 674
Laurel, MS 39440
(601) 428-5235
memorychapel@comcast.net
<https://www.memorychapel-laurel.com/>

Graveside Service

APR **15**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Laurel, MS 39443

Tribute Wall

RG

“ roma Rahaim Graham lit a candle in memory of William West



roma Rahaim Graham - April 18 at 08:56 AM

RG

“ Our family are praying for all is you and may the Peace of Christ be with you all! Roma Rahaim Graham and family!

roma Rahaim Graham - April 18 at 08:55 AM

KD

“ Tom and I are so very sorry for your loss. Bill was a wonderful man and we have many fond memories.



Kathy Donovan - April 16 at 08:06 PM

KD

“ Kathy Donovan lit a candle in memory of William West



Kathy Donovan - April 16 at 08:05 PM

AR

“ Pam and family: So sorry to hear of this. We will be praying for God's peace to comfort you in the days ahead.
David & Angela Rudolph
Nell Gieger

Angela Rudolph - April 15 at 02:37 PM

DW

“ I express sorrow to the family and friends of William Edward "Bill" West. I pray our Lord's love, comfort and strength for each of you. I will continue to pray for each of you daily.

Dan West - April 15 at 11:52 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of William Edward West.



April 14 at 09:08 PM

SH

“ I'm Stella Hall & I've known & loved the West family since Charles & I moved to Laurel in 1968! We were part of Gibson Discount Stores & met Vic & Louise soon & have always been close to Dick & Pat & the family! I & my family- daughter Dana & son Derek extend prayers & condolences to you all at the sad time! May God bless each of you in the days ahead 🙏🙏❤️!

Stella Hall - April 14 at 05:50 PM

BR

“ *Great guy from a great family.*

Bill Renovich - April 14 at 04:16 PM

JP

“ *Judy White Pitts lit a candle in memory of William West*



Judy White Pitts - April 14 at 01:43 PM