



William Bill Hatzfeld Jr.

June 23, 1942 - August 10, 2013

William (Bill) Hatzfeld, Jr., 71, of Buckhead, GA died Saturday, August 10, 2013 at Oconee Regional Hospital.

Bill was born June 23, 1942 to William Hatzfeld, Sr. and Rosemary Hatzfeld in Pittsburgh, PA.

He was a retired military man, having served 30 years in the United States Navy. He enjoyed motorcycles, and was a Harley Davidson enthusiast through and through. He loved football, never missing a single game played by his favorite team, the Pittsburgh Steelers.

His daughter Sherry, brother Eddie, and sister Louise proceed him in death.

Bill is survived by his wife, Patricia Hatzfeld; Brother Michael Hatzfeld and his wife Lynda, Pittsburgh, PA; Son, William Hatzfeld, III and his wife, Jayne, Elkton, VA; Son, David Hatzfeld, Buckhead, GA ; Daughter, Terry Riffe and her husband Bobby, Clermont, FL; 7 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Mr. Bill will be dearly missed by his family, friends and community.

A memorial service will be held Tuesday, August 13th at Lake Oconee Baptist Chapel, Buckhead, 5:30 P.M. with a reception for family and friends

immediately following at 111 Shadow Lake Drive.

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, they would appreciate a donation be made to the Nation Parkinsons Foundation.

Tribute Wall

MP

“ Pat, Billy, Terri and Dave,

I was so very shocked to get the news when you called me yesterday Pat.

Those of us who knew 'ol Hatz from the Iowa always believed him to be indestructable and just too ornery to die.

I have taken the liberty of passing the news on to every shipmate from the 80's crew I have and have already received a few replies back instructing me to pass on their condolences to you.

So far they are: Admiral Gneckow, EM1 Randy Frakes, PN1 Steve Mason and

EM2 Rob "Cowboy" Levandowski. trying to get hold of Mr. Battaglia and Carl Cusaac.

In my minds eye I see him standing in the rewind shop, in the middle of a heated argument with Tom Ryle, Mel Felipe, Mike Santa Maria, Mark Beatty and Noe Maniago. His face livid, idex finger pointing at no one in particular, voiciferously stating to all.....

"Bullshit, Yer ass sucks Buttermilk".....one in a million.....only one "HATZ".

Fair Winds and Following Seas Shipmate,

Marty Palmiere EMC(SW) USN(ret.) USS IOWA BB-61 '83-'89

Marty Palmiere - November 14, 2013 at 12:48 PM

DH

I just saw this he was my uncle. My dad's brother, Edmond "Zeke" Hatzfeld.

Desiree Hatzfeld - March 27, 2025 at 11:01 AM



“ Dear, dear Patricia,

This is Karen Wilson now King. I have had you and your family on my mind since April. I am so sorry to read about Bill.

I was 16 year old mother with a new baby and a husband that wasn't so good, but you and Bill promised my mother and mother in law that I would be just fine and with your love and care I was.

Kelly, my daughter will be moving to Georgia in January, maybe I can visit you when I come down to see her. Please call me I would love to catch up on life with you. 8154994391.

I still take curves like you showed when you help me learn to drive.

My favorite memory of Bill was him taking up for me when I made a rude comment at a party. He was always willing to stand up for people even when they were wrong. When you were his friend you were his friend forever.

I hope to see you soon.

The Rev. Karen A. King

Karen King - November 12, 2013 at 06:18 PM