
WILLIAM HENRY HAYS Jr.

HAYS JR., WILLIAM HENRY Passed away at his home at age 67 on December 1, 2012 after a courageous battle with colon cancer. He was born in Birmingham, Alabama on October 31, 1945. He was preceded in death by his parents, Bonnie Hays and William Henry Hays, Sr. He is survived by his loving wife and best friend of 44 years, Patsy; daughter, Natalie and son, Brian; Aunt Ann Ray (Martin); Uncle Robert Hays (Marguerite) and mother-in-law, Quay Hunt. Bill became an Eagle Scout at the age of 15. He graduated from Shades Valley High School in 1964 and the University of Alabama in 1968 with a Business Degree, where he was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. He went on to serve his country in the Alabama Air National Guard and United States Air Force from 1968 to 1975. He was employed with J.C. Penney for 34 years from 1969 until his retirement in 2003 where he was the store manager at Century Plaza Mall. Bill loved his family more than anything. He was always supportive of his wife and kids and did whatever it took to make their lives better. He was also very passionate about Alabama football and attended as many games as he could. He was a man of many skills-he loved to build furniture and even built the backyard gazebo at his home. He also made garden bells, a great spaghetti sauce, and fantastic stuffed eggs. Following his retirement, Bill really enjoyed the Monday morning coffee group with his fellow J.C. Penney managers. He also continued to keep up with many of the friends he made throughout his career with the company. He loved all of them and they were so special to him. The family would like to thank all our friends and neighbors for their prayers and support; Dr. Lakhanpal and his staff at Birmingham Hematology and Oncology Associates; Patsy's "family" at Golden Living Riverchase and Hospice Advantage. You have all meant so much to our family. A memorial service will be announced at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the [American Cancer Society](#) or [charity of your choice](#) .

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