



## William Loren Swarnes

May 10, 1943 - July 14, 2020

William Loren Swarnes, 77, of Bunnell, Florida, formerly of Bowling Green, passed away, Tuesday, July 14, 2020 in Palm Coast, Florida.

Visitation will be held Saturday, July 25, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green. Funeral services will be at 12:00 at the funeral home with Dr. Bill Maupin officiating. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery in Clarksville, Missouri.

William was born May 10, 1943 in Clarksville, Missouri to Loren and Mildred Taylor Swarnes. He was united in marriage to Barbara Ann Rice on July 4, 1967 at the Clarksville Methodist Church. She survives.

Also surviving are sons John Swarnes (Lisa), Dustin Swarnes (Danielle), and Meril Taylor (Galina); grandchildren Rachel Sims (Tyler), Isaac Swarnes, Noah Swarnes, Lydia Swarnes, Gabrielle Martin, Elannah Swarnes, and Masha Taylor; foster grandson Hiromi Valerio; 2 great-grandchildren; brothers Charles Taylor (Wanda), Deter (Robin) Swarnes, and Fred Swarnes; sisters Marie Hernandez (Leonard), and Virginia Henderson (John); and sister-in-law Sayan Taylor.

Preceding William in death were brothers Robert Taylor and Loren Swarnes; and sisters Gail Griffin and Cindy DaPron.

William was born and raised in Clarksville, Missouri, graduating from Clopton High School. After high school, William worked in the uranium mines in Colorado. In 1962, he left and joined the United States Marine Corp. William was very proud of his service and served one combat tour in Vietnam. Upon being honorably discharged, William came back to Clarksville and worked for local farmers. In 1970, through the GI Bill, he went through truck driving school in Indianapolis. He later worked for Wetterau Foods in Mexico, Missouri for 10 years, and Witte Brothers Trucking in Troy, Missouri. Nearing retirement, William went to work at Dyno Nobel in Pittsfield, Illinois, until his retirement. In 2012, William and Barbara moved to Bunnell, Florida to enjoy retirement.

William was VFW Commander of the #5553 from 2010-2012. He was very proud of his military service and did one combat tour in Vietnam. William enjoyed canoeing, fishing, and watching Westerns on TV. One of his favorite things to do was to play Santa for nursing homes, local churches and other non-profit organizations.

Pallbearers will be Mike Wojick, Isaac Swarnes, Noah Swarnes, Mike Cole, Jeff Miller, and Brad Sparks. Honorary pallbearers will be Howard Grimmett, Gary Hendrix, Randy Crow, and John Kirkpatrick.

Memorials may be made to VFW #5553 or Stuart F. Meyer Hospice Home in Palm Coast, Florida.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenwood Cemetery

Clarksville, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 25. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC - Bowling Green  
606 West Main Street  
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## Funeral

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## Burial

JUL **25** (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JV

“ Dear Barb and family,  
We are so sorry for your loss of William. When we heard the news our hearts were grieved but also smiles and conversation started as we remembered about all our fun times together. Bill was a lot of fun and a great guy to be around. Sorry we could not make the service. May God’s overwhelming love, grace and mercy keep, sustain and strengthen you as you move forward. We have been and will continue to uplift you in prayer.  
John and Cathy Veach

john veach - July 26, 2020 at 10:10 PM

DR

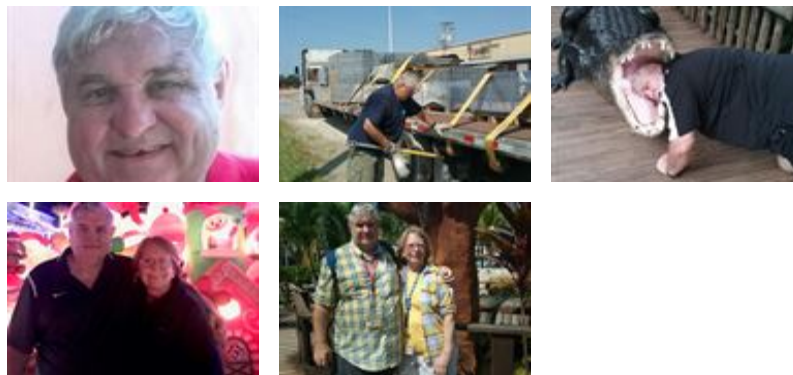
“ Thinking of All with Heartfelt Sympathy.  
Donna Willis Reich & Family



Donna Willis Reich - July 25, 2020 at 09:31 AM



“ 117 files added to the album LifeTributes



Bibb-Veatch Funeral Home's, LLC. - July 24, 2020 at 06:27 PM

PC

“ Barb and family,  
Thinking of you with much love 💕 you all  
were so thoughtful and good friends  
especially when Bob was sick. Barb, do you  
remember the nickname "pillow fluffer"? Love  
you, Pam



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**Pam Cole** - July 24, 2020 at 05:46 PM

LK

“ Love...Carrie, Dustin, Andrew & Hailey  
Kirkpatrick purchased the Sweet Tranquility Bask  
et for the family of William Loren Swarnes.



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**Love...Carrie, Dustin, Andrew & Hailey Kirkpatrick** - July 21,  
2020 at 06:43 PM

EG

“ Comfort for the family. We have never met a nicer, caring, helpful  
man. We will miss him forever. Love and Hugs to all.

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**Ernestine Grimmert** - July 19, 2020 at 01:09 PM

DL

“ Barb and family so sorry for your loss. He was a very caring person.  
The cross and helmet that the VFW and Auxiliary each year at the  
Memorial Day Service was donated to us by William. We appreciate  
him so much.  
Doris Lindsay

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**Doris Lindsay** - July 19, 2020 at 01:00 PM

MH

“ *Marie Hernandez lit a candle in memory of William Loren Swarnes*



Marie Hernandez - July 18, 2020 at 01:27 PM



“ *Barb and family: So sorry to hear about William. He was such a sweet man and I know he has been through a lot of health issues. May He Rest in Peace.*

Jane Ann McGeorge - July 18, 2020 at 01:22 PM

DS

“ *5 files added to the tribute wall*



Danielle Swarnes - July 18, 2020 at 09:45 AM

DS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Danielle Swarnes - July 18, 2020 at 09:42 AM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of William Loren Swarnes.



July 18, 2020 at 08:40 AM

GV

“ Grace VanHooser lit a candle in memory of William Loren Swarnes



Grace VanHooser - July 18, 2020 at 12:02 AM