



William A. Rosecrans

December 31, 1958 - March 26, 2023

William Arthur "Bill the Bomber" Rosecrans, 64, of Westvale passed away unexpectedly at home on March 26th, 2023. Bill was born in Deer Park, NY on December 31, 1958 to Nancy and Arthur Rosecrans. Bill was a 1977 graduate of West Genesee High School in Camillus, NY. He also graduated from Ithaca College in 1981 where he played football for the Ithaca Bombers. Bill worked for GHI insurance for several years. After he completed his Teaching Degree, Bill taught at Fowler High School for more than 20 years before retiring.

Bill spent weeks during the winter months in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico with his beloved life partner Cynthia Galante. They enjoyed traveling and shared many wonderful adventures throughout Europe. One of Bill's fondest memories was a trip they took to California and drove "The Big Sur". Bill was known for his excellent recall of sports trivia. He was a fun and caring person with many wonderful friends. He will be missed dearly. Bill was predeceased by his father Arthur, mother Nancy and his brother James who passed away just 3 months ago.

He leaves behind his partner of 30 years, Cyndi Galante, his brother, Edward (Sandra) Rosecrans; a nephew Garrett Rosecrans; a great-nephew Edward; and his many close cousins. He will be held in their thoughts and prayers.

Calling hours will be held Saturday, April 1st from 3 to 5 pm at B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home, 10 Genesee St., Camillus.

A celebration of life for Bill and his brother Jim will be held on June 21, 2023 from 4 to 8 pm at Jammer's Sports Bar & Restaurant, Syracuse. Burial will be private in Greenlawn Cemetery, Warners.

Contributions in lieu of flowers may be made to Francis House, 108 Michaels Ave, Syracuse, NY 13208.

Please sign his guestbook at www.BLBUSH.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 1. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home
10 W. Genesee Street
Camillus, NY 13031
(315) 672-3400
info@bushfuneralhome.com
<https://www.bushfuneralhome.com/>

Celebration of Life

JUN 21. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jammer's Sports Bar & Restaurant
3535 Walters Rd
Syracuse, NY 13209
(315) 883-5994
<http://jammers3535.com>

Tribute Wall

MC

“ I am so saddened to hear of Billy’s passing. He was so enthusiastic and a truly caring person. I have fond memories of our high school time together. I want to express my deepest sympathy to his family, especially his loving partner. Hoping you will find peace and comfort in the days to come.

Mary Beth Waldron Curcio - July 04, 2023 at 06:34 PM

RH

When I was 15 years old my father was based in Syracuse with the Air Force. We rented a house on Hillside Way in Camillus. I went to Camillus junior high school and met Bill. I loved sports and wasn’t very popular at the school as a new guy from Florida, but Bill took me under his wing and we became friends. He rode on the back of my motorcycle as we terrorized Camillus. Lol. A great friend, a great athlete, and I was better to have known him. RIP Bill. Bob Hoyt. Panama City FL

Robert A. Hiyt - September 02, 2024 at 08:54 PM



“ 1 file added to the album June 21st



B.L. Bush & Sons Funeral Home / Monuments - June 21, 2023 at 08:20 PM

MW

“ Ed and Family, Saddened by the loss of such a wonderful soul. My deepest sympathies, Mary Ann

MaryAnn Wickwire - June 19, 2023 at 10:52 PM

SC


“ Dear Rosecrans Family,

We have never met, but I had the wonderful opportunity to know "Rosie" in college. He and his roommates lived right around the block from where I lived, on Buffalo Street. He always had a warm smile, was so kind hearted and made us all laugh. Many years after graduating from Ithaca College, I had the pleasure of reconnecting with Bill and a few other friends at the Ithaca football games. My son was on the team and Bill always went out of his way to talk with my son and compliment his athletic efforts. Then he would find me and do the same. It always warmed my heart. Just another thoughtful gesture by him to make me feel even more proud. He was an amazing man and athlete. He will always be part of my college memories. I know many IC alumni that will miss him. May your family and his partner Cynthia, find peace in knowing "Rosie" is resting in heaven.

Warm Regards,

Sue Alleva Costello

Sue Costello - April 27, 2023 at 07:07 PM

 Karen Campbell

“ *Cyndi and all Bill's family members, so very sorry to hear of your loss. Bill was always ready with a smile and a hello when we both taught at Fowler H.S., and highly regarded by all. May he Rest In Peace and may you all find some comfort in good memories.*

Karen Campbell - Syracuse

Karen Campbell - April 02, 2023 at 01:10 PM

ZS

“ *I miss you, Bill. I liked seeing you.*

Zeke Smukler - April 01, 2023 at 05:18 PM

MC

“ *I had the pleasure of teaching with Bill at Fowler. He always made me happy and he will be dearly missed. Blessings to his loved ones in this time of grief.*

Melanie Carroll - March 30, 2023 at 02:48 PM

PR

“ *Our Deepest Condolences to Ed and his family on the loss of Bill, along with Jim they both left too soon. May Bill and Jim both rest in peace. God is going to have one heck of a football team.*

PHIL RUFFINI - March 30, 2023 at 01:00 PM

LE

“ Cyndi & Rosecran Family, We Are Heartroken To Hear Of Bill's Passing. We Will Miss Our Conversations anytime We Saw Him outside. Bill Always Had Kind Words and Great Neighbor To My Daughter's Family. Gone Too Soon. Rest Peacefully Bill. 🙏 Lori & Glenn Edick

Lori Edick - March 30, 2023 at 09:11 AM

AM

“ Cyndi and the Rosecrans family, Please accept our deepest sympathies. We are so sad to hear of Bill's passing. He was always kind and always had a story to tell. I have many memories of our days at Fowler. He will be missed. Angela and Pat Mastriano (Hilton Head, SC)

Angela Mastriano - March 29, 2023 at 07:41 PM

LH

“ Dearest Rosecrans family - I am so sorry to hear about Bill's loss. He and his brother Jim were very dear to my family (Ron and Ellen Holmes). My father adored them like sons he never had. They always showed up for my parents during medical struggles and provided comfort to each of us. I am thinking of all of you at this sad time - Lisa Holmes

lisa m holmes-hayes - March 29, 2023 at 08:08 AM

DK

“ Bill Rosecrans thanks for the memories and good times my friend. Rest in peace you'll be remembered always in our thoughts and prayers. God bless.

David kurz - March 28, 2023 at 07:53 PM

EB

“ Too soon. I'm so sorry to hear about Bill. God bless.

Ed Brisson - March 28, 2023 at 07:19 PM

ML

“ Bill Rosecrans has left all of us with so many incredible memories and I know we are all blessed to have been touched by him. Bills success in sports and in life can be attributed to his love and the contributions he had and received from family and friends. I first met Bill after he tackled me so hard he broke my shoulder pad straps and caused my helmet to gain more yardage than I did .Bill was not happy I was beyond the line of scrimmage. We actually were introduced to each other after that tackle at the bottom of that pile; Bill from that day on would affectionately (in his Coach Joe Carothers voice) and pointing at me Bill would say "Locurcio COME HERE" and then Bill would point to his forehead. Or Who could forget Bills fascination with Billy Gibbons and ZZ Tops Intro to la Grange. I know we all have a million great stories to tell about such a special person from a special family, I pray The Rosecrans Family , Cynthia and all of us who knew William A. Rosecrans can rest better knowing he is at peace with his brother Jim (another great Human) and all those who have left this imperfect world and are worthy of a perfect New Earth.

Mark Locurcio - March 28, 2023 at 06:57 PM

GM

“ Dear Rosecrans Family, very sorry to hear about Bill's passing. I played football with him at West Genesee. Loved his passion and determination. He will be missed.

Gary Mossotti San Francisco CA

Gary Mossotti - March 28, 2023 at 12:58 PM

PP

“ Cindi and the Rosecrans Family, I am so sorry to hear this sad news and send heart felt condolences. I have many fond Fowler memories of Bill. Cindi, my heart goes out to you in your time of sorrow. Patti Pultorak

Patti Pultorak - March 28, 2023 at 12:16 PM

JA

“ Cindy, and the Rosecrans family, So sad to get this news. First met Bill at IC then reconnected at Fowler, always enjoyed catching up whenever I ran into him. My thoughts are with you all at this time. God Bless.
Jim Avery (Nashville, Tn.)

Jim Avery - March 28, 2023 at 11:00 AM

EH

“ Send hugs to Cyndi and Rosie's family. We went to HS together and only recently reconnected. Loved all his stories when we would get together with other classmates at the Wildcat. Truly an uplifting guy that made you smile the minute you saw him! xoxo

Evie Ho - March 28, 2023 at 10:42 AM

BF

“ Condolences - a sad passing -way too young- I still remember running hill sprints with Bill at their house and laughing all the way through it.
Brian Feehan, Ithaca College

Brian Feehan - March 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM

MI

“ My condolences to all of Rosie's family he was one of a kind and will be missed

Mike Inco - March 28, 2023 at 09:59 AM

ER

“ RIP Cousin Bill



Eric Rosecrans - March 28, 2023 at 09:46 AM

R(

“ Rest in Peace Coach, I won't ever forget you. You was the coolest 100

Rashad McBride (ITC) - March 28, 2023 at 09:22 AM

BM

“ My Condolances to the Rosecrans Family.
Bill Miner (Camillus New York)

Bill Miner - March 28, 2023 at 08:11 AM

LC

“ Rest in peace Bill. We had a bunch of great laughs way back in high school. Fly high with you family in heaven. Les Coufal

Leslie Coufal - March 28, 2023 at 08:10 AM

BR

“ Ed, Cindy and the rest of the Rosecrans family.
I am at a loss for words when I heard about Bill. He and I were good friends through out high school. He and I played on the same line in lacrosse. When ever I ran into Bill he always amazed me by how he could remember everything that happened 45 years ago. He had a memory like an elephant, and it was larger in life as a person. I'll truly miss Bill.
God bless all of you
Bob Ryan

Bob Ryan - March 28, 2023 at 07:53 AM

MW

“ Ed and Family, Deepest condolences. So sad to see this. A wonderful individual with a warm personality Bill will be remembered as one of the good guys.
Sincerely, Mary Ann

MaryAnn (Leogue) Wickwire - March 27, 2023 at 11:12 PM