



Willie Frank Blocker

December 1, 1937 - May 13, 2024

Willie "Will" Frank Blocker, 86, of Mooresville, passed away on Monday, May 13, 2024, at S. Mitchell Mack Hospice House in Mooresville.

He was born on December 1, 1937 in Decatur County, Georgia, to the late Franklin and Lucille Griffin Blocker. Will was a proud veteran who served in the US Marines and later became a Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms Agent, retiring at the young age of 50. He cherished his time outdoors, especially indulging in woodworking, gardening, fishing, and hunting, but his greatest joy came from being surrounded by his beloved family. He instilled in his children a love of the water. They have fond memories of camping, boating, fishing and hunting. He adored his grandchildren and never missed a practice, game, or recital. Will was a devoted Atlanta Braves fan and never missed a game. His family and friends will forever remember him for his infectious laugh, diligence, stories and jokes.

In addition to his parents, Will was preceded in death by his sisters Sarah, Louise, Norene, and Marti, as well as his cousin Eddie Blocker. He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Loretta Thornton Blocker, and their children: Phil Blocker (Julie), Robin Nanney (Jeff), Kelly Nygren (Don), and Bart Blocker (Lauren). He is also survived by his grandchildren, Mallory Pharr (Matt), Thornton Blocker, Kristin Nanney, Hunter Nanney (Liz), Sarah Nygren, Nathan Nygren, Rylan Nygren, Owen Heckmann, and Ben Heckmann, along with two

great-grandchildren, Brawley Nanney and John Hunter Nanney, and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends on Friday, June 7, from 6:00-7:00 PM, with a service following at 7:00 PM at the Heritage House of Cavin-Cook Funeral Home, officiated by Rev. Dr. Andrea Smith.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to S. Mitchell Mack Hospice House, 1325 Mecklenburg Highway, Mooresville, NC 28115. Will's fondness for pistols, cards, checkers, and dice will be remembered by all who knew him.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, is serving the Blocker family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Previous Events

Receiving Friends

JUN 7. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Heritage House of Cavin-Cook Funeral Home
494 E. Plaza Drive
 Mooresville, NC 28115

Memorial Service

JUN 7. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Jay, Jill, Zach and Emily Marcus planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Willie Frank Blocker.

Jay, Jill, Zach and Emily Marcus - June 05, 2024 at 04:19 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Willie Frank Blocker.



June 05, 2024 at 04:19 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Willie Frank Blocker.



June 05, 2024 at 12:26 PM



“ Cindy and Frankie Archer purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Willie Frank Blocker.



Cindy and Frankie Archer - June 04, 2024 at 01:36 PM

SM

“ I am so sad to hear of Will passing, I will always remember the good times we had when he was at Butch and Louise’s. When Will was around we would always have so much fun.

steve Minton - June 03, 2024 at 03:51 PM

JE

“ Uncle Will blessed us with a lifetime of wonderful memories. He was larger than life and always welcomed you as a part of his family. We loved his jokes and his laugh and his hugs. We are forever grateful to have had such a wonderful Uncle .
RIP beautiful soul
The Marcus Clan

Jay, Jill, Zach and Emily

Jay, Jill , Zach and Emily - June 03, 2024 at 11:48 AM

BT

“ Phil and family, I know this leaves a hole in your hearts. Fortunately, time will fill that hole with loving memories.

Bill Thunberg - June 02, 2024 at 09:01 AM

CS

“ I will always remember when we visited y’all with Mother. Uncle Will took us fishing & Aunt Retta made delicious catfish stew 😊 Love & Prayers Cindy Sheffield

Cynthia Sheffield - May 24, 2024 at 05:21 PM

CM

“ *Phil, Prayers and Thoughts to you and family. Love, Cynthia McLaurin*



Cynthia McLaurin - May 18, 2024 at 08:24 PM

MP

“ *Michael & Gail & Pam purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Willie Frank Blocker.*



Michael & Gail & Pam - May 17, 2024 at 03:27 PM

JJ

“ *Jeanne Joyner lit a candle in memory of Willie Frank Blocker*



Jeanne Joyner - May 16, 2024 at 04:54 PM

JJ

“ *What a kind man! I delivered a paper to the house through June of 2023 when they began being mailed. I have been delivering the Mooresville Tribune. I am so sorry for your loss. He will be missed. Look for a note with your Sunday paper. Jeanne Joyner*

Jeanne Joyner - May 16, 2024 at 04:53 PM

Leila
Hobbs

“ *Leila Hobbs lit a candle in memory of Willie Frank Blocker*



Leila Hobbs - May 16, 2024 at 12:34 PM

JF

“ *Johnston Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Willie Frank Blocker.*



Johnston Family - May 16, 2024 at 10:22 AM

WB

“ *Prayers and condolences for all!*

William D. & Danette S. Bumgarner - May 16, 2024 at 10:00 AM

LH

“ *Love Chuck and Judy Hawkins planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Willie Frank Blocker.*

Love Chuck and Judy Hawkins - May 15, 2024 at 09:36 PM

LH

“ Love Chuck and Judy Hawkins purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Willie Frank Blocker.



Love Chuck and Judy Hawkins - May 15, 2024 at 09:36 PM

TW

“ The Van Gurps & Wombles purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Willie Frank Blocker.



The Van Gurps & Wombles - May 15, 2024 at 09:07 PM

GM

“ Papa Will was the sweetest man and always had a smile! He will be missed greatly by his family and for those of us who were lucky to know him ❤️🇺🇸

Ginger and Mike - May 15, 2024 at 08:33 PM

FO

“ Mr Blockef was one of the friendliest men that I ever met. Always greeted you with a firm hand shake and a smile . Prayers for his family

Frank Owens - May 15, 2024 at 03:45 PM