



William "Bill" Rogers Mangold

September 13, 1931 - January 7, 2018

William (Bill) Rogers Mangold of Saline, MI passed away Sunday, January 7, 2018, in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, at the age of 86 after a hard fought battle with numerous health issues. He died peacefully, surrounded by his beloved family. Bill was born in Kansas City, Kansas, on September 13, 1931, the son of Wilbur "Red" and Catherine (Evans) Mangold. He grew up in California and was a graduate of Burbank High School, and continued his education at Glendale College, Glendale, CA where he earned his commercial pilot's license and aviation mechanic certifications. On September 22, 1959, he married Olga Jean Pierce, and they were married for 58 years. Bill was a member of the US Marine Corps, and served during the Korean War. He began his career in the aviation industry as a pilot for a mapping company, Fairchild Aerial Surveys. Subsequently, he flew as a corporate pilot for Carroll Shelby, after which he became a sales representative for the Norman Larson Co, a Beechcraft distributor in Van Nuys, California. Until his retirement from aviation, he enjoyed a 25-year career with Champion Spark Plug, Aviation Division, as Marketing Manager for the Northeast U.S. and Canada. This new venture brought him and his family to Michigan. In 1975 he began drawing editorial cartoons. With the encouragement of Paul Tull, editor of the Saline Reporter at the time, his drawings were published in the weekly paper. Later they were published in many other newspapers in Michigan, for a number of years. He also loved playing golf with friends and family, during this period in his life. After his ultimate retirement, he enjoyed several part time jobs

including selling ads for the Saline Reporter, and working as a Starter-Marshall at PGA National in Florida, where he and Olga spent winters together. During his summers, Bill sold memberships in, and served as “Ambassador” for, the Saline Area Chamber of Commerce. He was also a longtime member of the First United Methodist Church of Saline. Bill is survived by his wife Olga, daughters Kathryn L. Mangold and Julianne M. (Bruce) Greene, son Mark W. (Janine) Mangold, grandson Zachary Mangold, granddaughters Chelsey (Richard) Jenkins, Kaitlan, Emmalie and Olivia Greene. He was preceded in death by his parents, Wilbur “Red” and Catherine Mangold. A Memorial Celebration of Bill’s life will be held at the First United Methodist Church of Saline, Michigan on Saturday, April 14, 2018 at 11:00 A.M. with a visitation starting at 10:00 A.M. Arrangements made by Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home of Saline, MI. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the First United Methodist Church of Saline Upper Class Scholarship Fund, Disabled American Veterans Charitable Service Trust, or The Cancer Research Institute. Envelopes will be available at the church. To sign Bill’s guestbook, to leave a memory for the family, or for more information please visit www.rbfhsaline.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **14**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church of Saline
1200 North Ann Arbor Street
Saline, MI
<http://www.fumc-saline.org/>

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" Rogers Mangold*

October 23, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ *I remember Bill from my church in Saline. Him and his lovely wife would come to our home and have dinner with us and tell us stories. Bill would take us fishing quite often and it is one of my fondest memories. My siblings would say the same.*

melissa Hardy - May 29, 2018 at 11:56 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Rogers Mangold.*



April 13, 2018 at 11:04 AM



“ *Jeffrey K. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William "Bill" Rogers Mangold.*



Jeffrey K. - April 10, 2018 at 11:29 PM

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“ *My dear friend Bill and I go back a long way to Cooper Aviation where we had so many great laughs. You will be missed by many, but I know you are in real good hands now. So, whittle your ducks until we all meet up again, my friend.*

nikki Russ - April 02, 2018 at 05:33 PM

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“ *I will never forget Bill. My heart is so sad, what an amazing guy! Loved working with him at the Saline Reporter and hanging out. We were always laughing when Bill was around--he just treated us all like his own children. I hope he's now enjoying eternity with Bob and Woodie Merchant and Paul and Jackie Tull and all those other Saline old-timers. He was a blessing to all whose lives he touched. My thoughts and prayers are with you all, Mangold family.*

Renee Lapham Collins

Associate Professor, Journalism

Adrian College

Former Saline Reporter staffer (1986-2005)

Renee Collins - January 19, 2018 at 01:12 PM