



## William Sutton

May 14, 1929 - July 2, 2017

William E. Sutton, Jr. (Bill), 88, of Ocala, Florida went home to be with the Lord on July 2, 2017, at the Sylvia Hospice House in Ocala, Florida. Bill was one of nine children, born to William and Almedia Sutton in Saulsbury, Tennessee on May 14, 1929, and was raised in Grand Junction Tennessee. In 1953, he moved to Miami, Florida and spent 30 years as an entrepreneur with Billups and Hess Oil. He moved to Ocala in 1983, buying his dream retirement home, a horse ranch, which he loved and shared with everyone. His grandchildren's fondest memories circle around the time he spent walking them down the trails. He found great joy in greeting people while serving as an Usher at church. He was usually the first to arrive and last to leave. He was an ordained Deacon and served many years at the First Baptist Church of Homestead, First Baptist Church of Perrine and finally at First Baptist Church of Ocala. Bill is survived by his wife of nearly 70 years, JoAnn Sutton, three sisters, Marcele, Ann & Bonnie, his son Brad Sutton (and wife Debbie), daughter Mary Sue Buck (and husband Parker). He leaves behind 7 grandchildren Mike, DJ, Megan, Melinda, Lee Ann, Melanie, Zachary and 9 great-grandchildren, Ava, Miley, Zoie, Tanner, Mila, Zeke, Charlotte, Aaliyah and Oaklynn. His son Douglas Sutton preceded him in death. Visitation will be from 12:30 - 2:00, Saturday July 8 at FBC Ocala with Funeral Service immediately following at 2:00

# Tribute Wall

KE

“ Dear Sutton family, I am very sorry for your loss. A scripture that encouraged me very much when my grandpa died is Psalms 34:18. It says "Jehovah is close to the broken-hearted and those who are crushed in spirit he saves." We can be sure that God does care for us!

Kelsey - July 24, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ My thoughts and prayers have been with you all over the last few weeks and will continue... I have such wonderful happy memories of my childhood of Mr. Sutton. Our God is great and His word is true. I pray your comforted by knowing Mr. Sutton was truly a Godly Christian man and should make you smile he is now walking the streets of gold with Jesus. I pray that you all feel Jesus's loving arms continue to hold you tight in the days to come. Love you all, Jena

Jena Jenkins Staly - July 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ Our hearts are heavy with your loss. What a great man with an even greater legacy he is leaving for his family to have in their hearts!! Prayers for each of you and our love ❤️ to all the family always ❤️ Love, Rosemary and Lanny

Lanny & Rosemary Drinkuth - July 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AZ

“ My love and prayers are with th Sutton family. Many great memories of my childhood are with your family. Wish I could be there. Know that I'm thinking and praying for peace and love. Amy

Amy Hitchings Zaste - July 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Bill was a wonderful Christian man who was a role model for all of us at Perrine Baptist Church. The entire Sutton family is in our prayers.

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**John and Jeannie Schultz** - July 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ Our love, prayers & heartfelt sympathies for the family. Rest in Peace Mr. Bill, God Bless. Love, Gracie & Paul

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**Gracie & Paul** - July 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the family at this very difficult time. Your love will serve to remind the little ones of this great man in your life, and should remind you that you will be together again in the next life. Sending hugs....

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**Ken and Kathy Baxter** - July 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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**Amy Hitchings Zaste** - July 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ When I was a little girl, you taught me to pray for others and for things that would make the world a better place. I believe in grace and mercy and know you are in a better place now.

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**Jeannie McCall** - July 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ Aunt Joann, I am so sorry to hear about your loss. Uncle Bill was a great man and he will truly be missed and will always be remembered. I will never forget him and the fun times I had at your place when I was younger. The loss of someone dear to us is never easy, but you are surrounded by people that love and care for you! Praying for comfort and strength during this time for all of you. I love you! Tina Crull (Opal's granddaughter)

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**Tina Crull** - July 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Mary Sue, I am so sorry for the loss of your Dad I can remember the times you spoke of your love ❤️ for your parents and what a blessing they have been. May your Father always be alive in your family through your cherished memories. His life was a blessing to all those he met, and he lives on in his faith until your family is united again.

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**Mary Ann Sherry** - July 06, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ Jo Ann and family, My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this difficult time. May God Bless you during the days ahead. Love, Melissa.

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**Melissa Gandy** - July 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ JoAnn, I am so sorry for the loss of your true love. Many prayers for comfort during these days and the ones ahead. Although we mourn, we do not mourn as those without hope. I know both Doug & Al were there to greet him. Much love to you. Angie ❤️

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**Angie Crawford** - July 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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**David &Chris Dilley** - July 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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**David &Chris Dilley** - July 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ So sorry for your lost, our thoughts and prayers are with you all, Lisa and everyone at Publix pharmacy 0061

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**Lisa Lawson** - July 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ JoAnn, Mary Sue, and rest of the family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. We have so so many great memories of Mr.Bill and they all bring smiles to our face and joy in our hearts. We were blessed to have known him and KNOW we will see him Again! Love to you all. Sorry we are so far away but know that we are hugging you in our thoughts.

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**George and Pamela Lorenz** - July 05, 2017 at 12:00 AM