



# William Frank Kish

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**W**illiam F. "Bill" Kish passed away peacefully in his sleep at Hope Hospice in Cape Coral on June 10, 2014. Bill was born on August 25, 1921 in Calumet, PA but spent most of his life in Lorain, OH. At the age of nine, Bill helped support his family by playing in a Hungarian band. He would pull his set of drums in a wagon to different venues. He continued to play in various bands for many years. While drumming with the Johnny Bove Orchestra in 1941, he met his future wife, Dena (Santina) Bove who was the vocalist. They were married for 69 years. In 1945, they married when Bill was on leave from the Merchant Marines. He served from 1941-1945. Bill and Dena had four children; Bill (Diana) from Kentucky, Kristeen Pecora from Michigan, John from Arizona and Deborah from Florida. They also had 9 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren. Hobbies included fishing, golfing but especially traveling. Bill and Dena did a great deal of camping. They explored 47 of the 50 states. Bill worked at Timm Springs in Elyria, OH and retired as a Nationwide Insurance agent. Bill and Dena moved to Florida in 1989. Mary (Pravlik) his mother, John, his father as well as his sister Dorothy (Sanks) and brothers, John, Dick and Ed preceded him in death. Visitation will be held 4-6pm Friday, June 13, 2014 at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home 1589 Colonial Blvd. Fort Myers. Mass of Christian Burial will be 11am Saturday, June 14, 2014 at St. Therese Mission 20115 N Tamiami Trail, North Fort Myers, FL 33903. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Hope Hospice 9470 Healthpark Circle, Fort Myers, FL 33908 [www.hopehospice.org/donate](http://www.hopehospice.org/donate). Online condolences and remembrances may be sent at [www.fortmyersmemorial.com](http://www.fortmyersmemorial.com)



## Tribute Wall

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ED

**Ernest Desmond** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of William Frank Kish

June 14 at 1:55 PM

ED

**Ernest Desmond** posted:

Dena and Family=Ernie and are thinking of you fondly=Remembering our camping trip to the East coast and how much fun we had=Bill was a good sport and fun to be with-You are in our thoughts and Prayers at this time. Love Charlotte and Ernie

June 14 at 1:53 PM

NC

**Nancy Curry** posted:

To Dena Kish and family. I send my sympathy to each of you. I remember Bill as a very kind, happy person. I know he will be deeply missed by Dena and family. Sincerely, Nancy Curry

June 13 at 4:57 PM

JB

**Joanne Nehilla, Bill Bechtel** posted:

We will miss you especially our times at Happy Hour. Bill Bechtel and Joanne

June 12 at 5:39 PM

ME

**Merle** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers to Dena and to the Kish Family. With love from Merle & Alma

June 12 at 5:16 PM

MY

**Matthew Yun** posted:

Grandpa, you were a great man. I will miss our talks together late into the night as the "girls" were talking and laughing. Love Matthew

June 12 at 5:00 PM



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DB

**Don & Dar Brooker** posted:

Our love and prayers to you, Dena and your family. I remember you and Bill back in '91 when we came to Fountain View. We shared many times with you and Marlene and Del. God Bless. Don & Dar Brooker

June 12 at 3:59 PM

FR

**Frank & Toni Rowe** posted:

We are so sorry for your loss. Remembering Bill and Dena in our prayers. Frank & Toni Rowe – 90 Lofty

June 12 at 3:27 PM

LW

**Larry Warden** posted:

Nancy and I were very sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I enjoyed meeting him at the pool in Fountain View Park in Florida. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Dena and your family. Larry & Nancy Warden Pembroke, Ontario, Canada

June 12 at 2:34 PM

BE

**Bea** posted:

Dena we're so sorry to hear this. Bill will be missed a lot from FV. He was a great man. Keeping you & the family in our prayers.

June 12 at 10:06 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring William by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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