



William E. Taylor

February 16, 1948 - August 19, 2026

William E. “Bill” Taylor, born February 16, 1948, in Detroit, Michigan, to William L. and Dorothy Taylor, passed away on August 19, 2026, at his home in Shelby Township at the age of 78.

Bill was the beloved husband of Sally Taylor, with whom he shared 58 wonderful years of marriage. Loving father of Kris Evans, Dottie (Tom Begley) McKillop, and Heather (fiancée Jeff Sehn) Taylor. Very proud Papa of Taylor McKillop, Dorothy Evans, William (fiancée Cassey Vianney) Taylor, Sabrina Begley and Annie Begley and cherished great-grandfather of William Taylor. Loving brother of Michele (the late Jim and the late Wayne) Wilson-Irving and Sandy (Roy Wallis). Dear Godfather of Jim Wilson and uncle to numerous treasured nieces and nephews. Bill is further survived by many beloved bonus children and grandchildren, including Jacamo and Morgan, who became an important and cherished part of his extended family. He was also devoted to his cherished “fur baby” dogs, who brought him great companionship and happiness throughout the years.

For many years, Bill was the owner and proprietor of Bill Taylor Florist in Eastpointe, where his creativity and dedication became well known throughout the community. Bill also shared a lifelong love of boating and racing with his father, Bill Taylor, Sr. Together, father and son were founders of the LSCORA Offshore Racing group and competed in numerous offshore races on Lake St.

Clair aboard their boat, the Posey Picker. Those years provided Bill with countless adventures and treasured memories.

Bill also had a deep commitment to helping others. He developed the Angels and Butterflies program for hospice patients, combining his compassion for people with his desire to bring comfort during some of life's most difficult moments. He was also a dedicated member of the Lions Club of Eastpointe for more than 50 years, giving generously of his time and talents in service to his community.

When Bill wasn't working or serving others, one of his favorite places to be was "up north" at the family's property in Gaylord. He enjoyed visiting throughout every season and taking in everything northern Michigan had to offer. Whether enjoying the outdoors, spending time with family, or simply getting away from the everyday routine, Gaylord always held a special place in his heart.

Above all else, Bill was a family man. He was an involved and loving father, a faithful and devoted husband, and a doting Papa and great-grandfather. His family was the center of his life, and the love and pride he had for them could always be seen.

Bill will be remembered for his devotion to his family, his years of service to his community, his adventurous spirit, his compassion for others, and the many lives he touched throughout his 78 years.

Bill will lie Instate Monday at 9:30 a.m. until the time of his 10:00 a.m. Funeral Mass at St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Church, 48115 Schoenherr Road (north of 21 Mile Road), Shelby Township.

Interment will take place at Resurrection Cemetery

Previous Events

Instate in church

AUG **24**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Therese of Lisieux Catholic Church
48115 Schoenherr Rd.
Shelby Township, MI 48315

Funeral Mass

AUG **24**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ A grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William E. Taylor.

August 23 at 03:06 PM



“ Suzy, Holly, and Cici planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William E. Taylor.

Suzy, Holly, and Cici - August 22 at 09:50 PM



“ Suzy, Holly, and Cici purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of William E. Taylor.



Suzy, Holly, and Cici - August 22 at 09:50 PM



“ OCC Counseling Discipline purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of William E. Taylor.



OCC Counseling Discipline - August 22 at 01:01 PM

OA

“ OCC Faculty Association purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of William E. Taylor.



OCC Faculty Association - August 22 at 12:49 PM

DD

“ Darla Dickson purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of William E. Taylor.



Darla Dickson - August 21 at 11:57 PM

DD

“ Darla Dickson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William E. Taylor.

Darla Dickson - August 21 at 11:57 PM

JG

“ i am so very sorry for your loss. Bill was so kind and sweet always. he and my brother went to high school together. we loved going in the shop and talked away as if no time had passed... he, Sally and Michele were always so comforting, sweet, kind. my heart prayers and thoughts go out to Sally and family as well as Michele who i know adored and was so close to him. May your sweet memories become cherished and bring you comfort...May God hold each of you in the palm of His hand and comfort you and bring you peace. i will never forget Bill...hugs and love to all Janet Gottardo



Janet Gottardo - August 21 at 08:43 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of William E. Taylor.



August 21 at 08:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William E. Taylor.

August 21 at 08:37 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of William E. Taylor.*



August 21 at 07:29 PM



“ *Best papa in the world*



Jacomo Gjergji - August 21 at 05:34 PM

VE

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of our brother from another mother. We have so many fond memories that it's hard to express just one. We could be assured that whenever called on the answer was yes and yes. We pray that our friends, Sally Chrissy, Dottie, Heather as well as MiChele will be comforted in knowing the Bill was loved and will always be remembered. Rest well Bill! Your work was not in vain.

*Love and blessings, Lee and Veronica
(Graeme Flowers-Retired)*

Veronica - August 23 at 06:37 PM

MW

Thank you for your kind loving words we all love you too michele

Michele Taylor Wilson-Irving - August 26 at 02:41 PM