



## Mr William H. "Bill" Pikett

October 20, 1923 - March 9, 2020

William H. (Bill) Pikett entered into God's presence on Monday, March 9, 2020. He was 96 years of age. Bill was born October 20, 1923 in East Aurora, NY.

Upon high school graduation, he joined the Army Air Corp in 1942. He served in WWII (Pacific Theater) from 1942-1945. After an honorable discharge, Bill earned an associate's degree on the G.I. Bill. He worked for General Electric Company for 35 years, 30 of those in Pittsfield, Ma.

Bill moved his family to Dalton, Ma., in 1958. He faithfully served his church and community, including coaching little league in Dalton for several years. Anyone who knew him would say "he was of all men, most honorable." After his retirement from G.E. he spent 24 years in his hometown of East Aurora, N.Y. before moving back to Berkshire County in 2011.

William and his wife, Vivian of 70 years resided at Melbourne Place in Pittsfield at the time of his death.

Bill is survived by his wife Vivan W. Pikett and six children; Suzanne Barker of Pittsfield, William H. Pikett, Jr., (Sandy) of Waco, TX., Betsy Blair (Tom) of Peru, MA., Nancy Beach (Tim) of Stratford, CT., David J. Pikett (Cheri) of Summfield, NC., and Daniel E. Pikett of Goshen, MA., He is also survived by fifteen grandchildren, thirty-eight great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

Being a very humble man, Bill's wishes were to have no public service or burial. Mrs. Vivian Pikett continues to live at Melbourne Place. Bill's desire

was to have memorial donations given to (non-denominational) American Bible Society, in care of the Roche Funeral Home, 120 Main Street, Lenox, MA 01240.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Vivian and family, I do not have to tell all of you what a special man Bill was! Both of you were such an important part of the East Aurora Christian Church family! And I have to say that Bill played a special role in my own personal spiritual journey. He was a man who truly loved the Lord with his whole heart, body and soul!

*I am looking at this right now... I have written on the front page of my bible (probably from one of our bible studies...)..."JOY...Jesus...Others...Yourself...from Bill Pikett 4/28/2001".*

*May God hold you in the palm of His hand and comfort you with his everlasting love.*

*With love and peace, Ray and Debbie Kampff*

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**Debbie Kampff** - March 20, 2020 at 12:12 PM

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“ Dear Vivian and family-- I was very much saddened to hear of Bill's death. He was a wonderful man, who not only talked about his faith, but lived it every day. I remember in adult Sunday School, you and Bill spoke of a couple of really difficult times you had been through, but there you were, years later, pillars of our church in body, mind, and soul. Although we looked at certain things differently, I have always had the utmost respect and admiration for you both. I learned a lot from you, and I want to know that it has helped me through some difficult times of my own. My two daughters, whom you helped nurture through the years after Lynne's death, are now married, responsible adults. So now Bill rests in the bosom of the Lord, and I hope your faith, family, and friends bring you comfort in the days ahead.

*Bill Scheider*

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**William L Scheider** - March 18, 2020 at 10:07 PM