



William John LeMaster

April 14, 1937 - May 8, 2020

William “Bill” John LeMaster died in Newberg on May 8, 2020 at the age of 83. Bill, the second of five children was born to Everett and Edna (Quail) LeMaster April 14, 1937 in Kearney, Nebraska. In 1941, the family followed relatives to Oregon and settled on the coast. Bill’s childhood was spent on the docks, beaches, and environs of Newport. He was a gifted athlete, quick and nimble, and excelled in high school football, basketball, and track. Bill graduated from Newport High School in 1955. He received a financial aid grant to attend Linfield College, where he pursued an education degree and was a member of the football and track teams.

Upon graduation from Linfield in 1955, Bill enlisted in the U.S. Army. After basic training at Ford Ord, in California, he was assigned for duty in Heidelberg, West Germany. On discharge he returned to Linfield and earned his master’s degree in education. In 1962, his career and coach began in Riddle, Oregon, then continued at Renne Junior High in Newberg. In 1965 he returned to West Germany as a teacher with the Department of Defense at Baumholder U.S. military base. There he met and married fellow teacher, Margaret Phillips, December 1966. The couple returned to Newberg in 1968 and Bill began his 27-year career teaching math and coaching track and cross-country at Newberg High School.

Bill was a running enthusiast. He helped conduct community fun runs, aided in

the organization of a running club, served on the Chehalem Park and Recreation Board and, after retirement helped with school track meets. When rheumatoid arthritis curtailed running, he turned to bicycling and lastly to walking. Bill was a gardener, earning his Master Gardener's certification in 1997. In retirement, he was afforded the time to restore his wife's 1950 Morris Minor car and enjoy extensive travels. In his later years, when physical activity became limited, he turned to researching his ancestry, discovering many branches on his family tree.

Bill was a family man. He was soft-spoken, loyal, reliable, responsible, and forgiving husband, and father who valued his family. He is survived by his wife, Margie, sons Marcus (Velle) Singapore and Michael (Julie) Monmouth, OR, sisters Ellie LeMaster, Newport, OR and Vicki Courtright (Bob), Port Orford, OR, nephews Tim (Lori) and David (Michele) LeMaster, Las Vegas, NV, four grandchildren and three-grand nephews. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Wayne, and Louis.

A future gathering in Newberg to celebrate Bill's life is pending. The family suggests donations in Bill's honor be made to Linfield's Scholarship Program, a Newberg charity or foundation of choice.

Arrangements by Attrell's Funeral Chapels.

Tribute Wall



“ I ran track in the late 1970s under Coach LeMaster. Great memories from the times running. Prayers for your family. You will be missed.

Eileen Truitt - July 30, 2020 at 12:12 AM

CW

“ So glad I ran into Coach LeMaster this last year in Newberg. Great memories from Cross Country. Prayers for your family, you will be missed.

Cheryl Wardell - June 20, 2020 at 05:20 PM

TL

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Tim LeMaster - June 20, 2020 at 02:53 PM

TL

I am Tim, the son of Louis LeMaster. I found this 54 yearbook and liked my Uncles picture. He was a strong and competitive athlete and made people around him push harder and do better. This carried this into the classroom as he taught and his family as he led. He was a blessing to me and I enjoyed time with him. He was the first true APPLE/MAC maniac that I ever knew. It served him well for his passion of genealogy and I appreciate all that he did to document our family line. Our thoughts and prayers with wife Margie, sons Marc and Mike and his sisters Vicki and Ellie.

Tim LeMaster - June 20, 2020 at 03:05 PM

D(

“ My parents were such good friends with the LeMaster's. I use to babysit the boys when they lived on Green Valley rd. I had found memories of this family. Sorry to hear of his passing.

Dori Hopp (Waters) - June 19, 2020 at 10:38 AM

CF

“ I loved math in school and he made it that way for me..May he rest in peace Accordingly and most importantly thank you as i have used math my whole life to make a living

Sincerely,
Chris J .Frey

Chris j. frey - June 15, 2020 at 03:40 PM

KP

“ Loved our Uncle Bill. So grateful he was in our lives! Will always remember his sweet demeanor and beautiful smile! He was such an example of grace even when that ugly RA started taking over his body!
Grateful he is no longer suffering but we do miss him! May the Lord comfort you Margie, Marc and Mike,
Lots of love,
Kelley

Kelley Phillips - June 08, 2020 at 03:00 AM

SP

“ Uncle Bill was one of kindest persons I knew. He always and a smile. And I never heard him complain. Miss you and run like the wind!

Scott Phillips - June 08, 2020 at 01:00 AM

EE

“ Just wanted to say he was the most patient Math teacher I ever had. He was a very pleasant person and a great teacher. Only good memories of Mr. LeMaster RIP. SINCERELY A LOSS BETTY BUCKLEY EUBANKS

Elizabeth Eubanks - June 06, 2020 at 08:39 PM


GH

“ Mr LeMaster is the reason I am still running daily at 61. A huge influence in my life.

May his memory be a bless

*Gregory Hughey
San Pedro CA*

Gregory Hughey - June 06, 2020 at 12:02 PM

 Kathy
Horvath
McWilliam

“ I am so sorry for your loss. He was my math teacher. I was always amazed by his patience with us kids. RIP Mr. Lemaster.

Kathy Horvath McWilliams - June 04, 2020 at 02:15 PM



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Bryan Joyce - June 02, 2020 at 12:07 PM