



William A. Courtien

August 20, 1953 - February 13, 2025

William "Bill" A. Courtien passed away peacefully at home on February 13, 2025.

Born on August 20, 1953, in Brooklyn NY. Bill was the son of Victor Courtien and Gloria Durnin. He spent his early years in Brooklyn NY before moving to Beekman, NY and then Alexandria, VA.

Bill joined the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades (IUPAT) in 1972 working as a commercial and decorative painter for DC 9, New York. He served as a Local Trustee, Council Delegate, Organizer, and Business Representative until 1986 when he was hired as an International General Representative. In 1997, he became the Executive Assistant to the General President, a position he held until December 2020. Following that, he served as the Director of Services and Grounds for the IUPAT Headquarters until his passing. Bill took great pride in serving seven general presidents and being an IUPAT member for over 50 years up until his passing.

Outside of work, Bill enjoyed showing and breeding English Mastiffs, playing poker, and visiting casinos to try his luck at the slots. He eagerly anticipated annual trips to the Outer Banks with his family. Above all, Bill cherished his role as "Pop-Pop," delighting in spoiling his four granddaughters.

Bill is predeceased by his parents, Victor and Gloria, as well as his brother Edward and sisters, Margaret Mary and Jean Marie. He is survived by his devoted wife of 49 years, Judy (Elkins), and his beloved children: Jackie, Stephen (Jennifer), and Brian (Molly), along with his treasured grandchildren: Julia, Isabella, Mackenzie, and Quinn.

Family and friends will be received at St. Louis Catholic Church, 2907 Popkins Lane, Alexandria, VA 22306 for a memorial mass on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at 10:30 am. If you are unable to attend in person, the service will be livestreamed.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to Service Dogs of Virginia in Bill's honor. www.servicedogsva.org/donate

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

MAR 1. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Louis Catholic Church
2907 Popkins Ln
Alexandria, VA 22306
(703) 765-4421

Tribute Wall

JC

“ I am honored to carry this grief, because you are so worthy of my tears. Jeanne Courtien



jeanne Courtien - March 01, 2025 at 10:33 PM

EC

“ I'm so sadden by the passing of Bill he was my supervisor for 20+ years and he was the best supervisor, friend, big brother I never knew that I needed! He will be greatly missed! I thank you Judy for sharing your husband with the IUPAT! Praying with your entire family Erika Curry, RIH Bill

Erika Curry - March 01, 2025 at 12:42 PM

JB

“ A donation in honor of William A. Courtien has been made on behalf of IUPAT District Council 11. To the Courtien Family, we are so very sorry for your loss.

Jason Werthman BMST - February 28, 2025 at 10:47 AM

NB

“ Nickett Boatwright lit a candle in memory of William A. Courtien



Nickett Boatwright - February 28, 2025 at 08:23 AM

DB

“ My wife and I are saddened to learn of Bill’s passing away As the BM/ST of D.C. #4 of Western New York(Buffalo), I first met him in the 1990s He was a staunch Union soldier on behalf of the IUPAT general presidents and all district councils He was an ‘advanced thinker and doer’ in his job responsibilities He was also a good friend May He Rest In Peace 🙏

Dan and Nancy Boody - February 20, 2025 at 07:56 AM

JS

“ I enjoyed working with Bill, have a lot of fond memories. He was “ The Kid from Brooklyn “. May he rest in peace!

Jerry Schreiber - February 19, 2025 at 09:05 AM

RT

“ Bill : was an inspiration for me while serving on the MMAPC for over twenty years. May he rest in peace.

Reddington Thomas - February 18, 2025 at 05:24 PM

TO

Great respect for Bill, he was a smart, tough guy!!!
You always knew where he stood on an issue.
Rest in Peace!!!
Tvo

Tom Van Oss - February 24, 2025 at 11:05 AM

NB

Heartfelt condolences to the entire Courtien family!

Nickett Boatwright - February 28, 2025 at 08:24 AM