



William Earl Woody

Aug. 29, 1948 - Sept. 15, 2025

William "Bill" E. Woody, Jr., 77, of Drexel, NC, passed away Monday, September 15, 2025.

Born in McDowell County, NC on August 29, 1948, he was the son of the late William Earl Woody, Sr. and Louise Patton Woody.

Bill was a US Army veteran of the Vietnam War, having served from 1967 to 1970. He was a lifelong resident of Burke County. Bill worked at American Roller Bearing and Burke County Public Schools. His hobbies included woodworking and photography.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife, Elizabeth Woody; nephew, Roger Wilson; and niece, Terese Christian.

In addition to his parents, Bill was preceded in death by a sister, Patsy Woody Wilson.

The graveside service will be held at 11 a.m., Monday, September 22, 2025 at Drexel Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 1 to 2 p.m., Monday at Sossoman Funeral Home, and a celebration of Bill's life will follow at 2 p.m. in the Colonial Chapel of the funeral home. Dr. Lydia Huffman Hoyle will officiate.

Memorial contributions may be made to Drexel First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 308, Drexel, NC 28619.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Cozort girls are thinking of you. You in our prayers! Sue, Kim, Kathy

—Sue Cozort

I remember him from school. It seems like he went by Butch. He was a nice guy.
My condolences.

—Betty Propst

Elizabeth, my thoughts and prayers are with you. May your sweet memories and
God bring you peace. Love, Brownie

—Brownie Rochefort

Elizabeth, so sorry for your loss p are in my thoughts and prayers show them
made of if there's anything that I can do let me know. I'm here anytime you want
to talk. Take care. Love you

—Wanda Stacy

Elizabeth: Condolences in the loss of your husband. Bill was a nice guy and will
be missed. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

—Jack and Bobbie Cox