



## Dr. William C. Mills, III

May 24, 1944 - May 7, 2020

Dr. William C. Mills, III, age 75, passed away on Thursday, May 7, 2020, at Butterfield Trail Village in Fayetteville. He was born on May 25, 1944, in Annapolis, MD to William Cecil Mills, Jr. and Lila (George) Mills. He is preceded in death by his parents and loving wife of fifty years, Gloria (Carlstrom) Mills.

Bill grew up in Kenedy, TX and later graduated from SMU, where he played in the marching band. Bill then attended the University of Texas Medical School at Galveston and married his childhood sweetheart, Gloria. Afterward he joined the Air Force and did his residency at Wilford Hall at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, where their children were born. In 1978 they moved to Fayetteville, where Bill worked as a radiologist for 25 years at Washington Regional and afterward for the VA hospital until his retirement. He was a dedicated physician and enjoyed caring for people through his work.

Bill was an active member at University Baptist Church for nearly 40 years, where he forged lifelong friendships, served as a leader, and volunteered at 2nd Mile Ministries. He cherished his family and the time he spent with them. He will be remembered for his faith, his witty sense of humor, and his kindness.

He is survived by his son, William Scott Mills and wife Jennifer of Springdale; his daughter, Kristen Hodskins and husband Kent of Fayetteville; five grandchildren, Aidan Hodskins, Patrick Hodskins, Lila Mills, Charlotte Mills and Barrett Mills, and two sisters, Linda Olson and Kathy Lefler of San Antonio, TX.

A private family service will be held in the Chapel of University Baptist Church in Fayetteville, with burial to follow at Fairview Memorial Gardens. To attend the service online, go to <https://m.facebook.com/ubcfayetteville> on Friday, May 15th at 10:30 am.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to University Baptist Church Second Mile Ministries.

To sign the online guest book please visit [www.nelsonberna.com](http://www.nelsonberna.com)

# Cemetery

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## **Fairview Memorial Gardens**

1728 East Mission

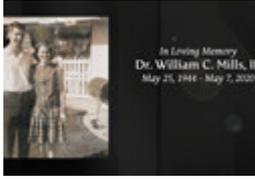
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# Comments

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“ An external video has been added.



**Nelson Berna Funeral Home** - May 13 at 02:56 PM

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“ Dr. Mills was a wonderful man that I was privileged to work with at North Hills Radiology. He will always be remembered, my sincerest sympathies to the family.

**Cheryl Fiser** - May 15 at 11:16 AM

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“ Kristen and family, we are so sorry for your loss. We are praying for you all during this difficult time. Your dad sounds like an amazing man! Praying for peace for you all.

**Laura Gentry** - May 15 at 11:03 AM

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“ My family had a mixed relationship with Dr. Mills. I worked with him at Washington Regional and my husband was in leadership with Dr. Mills in Bible Study Fellowship. In our respective relationships with Dr. Mills was the knowledge that he "walked his talk". On a more personal note he held my hand in the Chapel at Washington Regional, prayed and shared my grief as we learned my husband died in a MVA. To this day, 27 years later I remember his prayer. Scott and Kristen I wish I could hold your hands, and give you the comfort he gave me and my girls. Your parents were remarkable servants. I will continue to lift you and yours in prayers.

**Sharon A Hampton** - May 15 at 10:15 AM

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“ Bill and Gloria were the godparents of my first child while we were together in San Antonio for the guys internship & residency. In retrospect Al & I couldn't have chosen any other couple to be an example of how to love God, be a strong yet gentle person and most one who could see their blessings. Bill's humor was always a delight with that twinkle in his eye. We will forever cherish our friendship and miss them both. Together will be dancing in heaven.



Dr Al & Tina Trevino - May 14 at 10:41 PM

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“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Dr. William C. Mills, III.



May 13 at 08:42 PM

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“ Juliet Obiora

Knowing you was a big blessings, and honors. You're an Angel always smiling, loving, and very peaceful. I pray that God will grant you eternal rest. God may your grace be sufficient to the families he left behind. Wipe away their tears and grant them comfort their hearts in Jesus name, Amen. Juliet Obiora

Juliet Obiora - May 13 at 08:36 PM

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“ Buddy and Saralyn Gulley (Kenedy, Tx) purchased the Peach, Orange & White Mixed Fireside Basket for the family of Dr. William C. Mills, III.



Buddy and Saralyn Gulley (Kenedy, Tx) - May 12 at 05:33 PM

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“ I have know Billy forever since we were in school growing up here in Kenedy, Texas. In high school Billy and Gloria along with around six more of us made a trip by train to Washington DC to see President John Kenedy be inaugurated. From there we went on to New York City. This was a fabulous trip that was so much fun. None of us were prepared for how cold it was that year.  
My husband and I was fortunate enough the last few years to visit with Bill and Glo several times on our way to Branson. We loved this couple, and know Glo did everything for Bill before she went home to the Lord. We hate that Billy suffered with Alzheimer's but know his family saw to it that he got good care. He will be missed. Our love and prayers for the family. Minnie and Richard Robinson

Minnie & Richard Robinson - May 12 at 03:11 PM

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“ I am so sad to learn this. The Mills family will always hold a special place in my heart. My deepest sympathy to you  
Love and prayers, D'Anne Franklin

D'Anne Franklin - May 12 at 11:33 AM

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“ It was an honor and privilege to have known Bill. His fun loving spirit and heart warming smile will always be my fondest memories of this wonderful human being. Rest in peace my friend. With love to his beautiful family, Shelly Telford

Shelly Telford - May 12 at 07:53 AM

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“ BILL MILLS WAS BOTH A PERSONAL FRIEND BUT ALSO A PROFESSIONAL COLLEAGUE FOR MANY YEARS. HE WAS WILLING TO TAKE EXTRA TIME TO EDUCATE ME ABOUT RADIOLOGY FINDINGS OF MY PERSONAL PATIENTS. IN ADDITION, HE WAS A CLINICAL FACULTY TO MANY OF OUR UAMS AHEC-NW FAMILY MEDICINE RESIDENTS AND STUDENTS OVER THOSE SAME MANY YEARS.  
ALWAYS ENJOYED SEEING HIM AT BAUM STADIUM FOR BASEBALL GAMES AS WELL..  
WELL DONE, GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT  
LEE PARKER, MD

lee b parker, jr - May 11 at 09:28 PM

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“ Bill was a senior partner in Northwest Arkansas Radiology Associates when I joined the practice in 1990 as a new radiologist straight out of training. I had the privilege of working closely with him almost every week for about 10 years. We actually worked in the same reading room together much of that time at the old Washington Regional Hospital. During those years, we spent 8-10 hours a day together, almost working side-by-side reading x-rays and imaging studies done at the hospital. We had little down time during the typical day, but managed to talk about world events, politics, religion, medical practice, family and Razorback sports when time allowed. We also were constantly entertained by Dr. Murray Harris, working a few feet away in our small work space. In many ways, those were the good old days.

He was an outstanding radiologist - knowledgeable, experienced, insightful and skilled in a variety of medical procedures. He was steady, consistent, hard-working and dedicated to giving his very best for patients and referring doctors. Bill and Murray were strong positive influences and mentors for me early in my medical career. They set me on a good path professionally and showed me by example what a good physician should look like.

Bill was also an influencer in his Christian walk and a strong witness for Christ. I admired and tried to imitate his kindness to others, his calm demeanor on hectic days and the way in which he could share his faith in simple but profound ways. Bill looked for the good in others and did not speak unkindly about others, no matter the circumstance. He loved his family and his church so much. I believe his legacy of faith will last for generations.

Most of all, Bill was a good friend to me, through ups and downs in my early career. He will be missed. Scott, Kristen and other family - I hope you will cherish the good memories of your parents. They were a blessing to so many of us. They made a lasting impact for good in the lives of countless people in this community.

Kevin Pope

Dr. Kevin Pope - May 11 at 06:40 PM

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“ A great man with a big heart! His love for God and his family and friends was evident in his everyday walk of life!! He will be missed by all who knew him! I was blessed to know him and work with him! Love and prayers to the family, until we all meet again one day in Heaven!

Lonell Ward - May 10 at 10:33 PM

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“ Bill was one of the most Christ like men I have ever known. His life exhibited each of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. It was my privilege to know Bill professionally and as a friend. He is at last reunited with his sweet wife Gloria. He was a faithful servant of the Lord and to his family.

Walter Cox

walter cox - May 10 at 08:14 PM

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“ Bill was one of the nicest sincere people I've known. He was a dedicated physician that was always willing to do whatever necessary to get the job done. I fondly remember working with him at Washington Regional. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Jay MCDONALD

Jay McDonald - May 10 at 02:57 PM

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“ It was always a pleasure to be in the same room with Bill. Thank you Lord for his presence in my life. David Ferguson

David Ferguson - May 10 at 09:41 AM

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“ Bills quick smile and heartfelt hugs have left too soon. He was truly a GOOD person.

jim cronkwright - May 10 at 09:12 AM

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“ Kristen, Scott and families your father was a joy to know and I was honored to work for him and call him friend. His gentle kind soul and spirit were unmatched by many. May he Rest In Peace as he joins with his beloved wife Gloria in the presence of our loving Savior.

Karan Tomlinson

Karan Tomlinson - May 10 at 08:42 AM