



William Blair Johnston

January 24, 1934 - November 3, 2012

BLISSFIELD -William 'Bill' Blair Johnston, 78, passed away Saturday November 3, 2012 under the loving care of staff at Blissfield Place and of Hospice of Lenawee.

Bill was born on January 24, 1934 to Blair Johnston and Thelma Bachmayer. He worked many years for his grandfather, Joseph Bachmayer, at Saxmayer, and went on to run a very successful newspaper recycling business making friends throughout Lenawee County. Bill even received an award from the Lenawee County Solid Waste Department for his efforts in recycling. Bill also enjoyed the time spent at his cousins Dick and Jane Metz farm helping with chores. He was a longtime member of the Element Church in Blissfield, and helped with fundraising for the youth group. Bill's favorite place to eat was The Hathaway House and in later years, the Stables in Blissfield, where he could be seen several times a week.

Bill is survived by his cousins, Jane (Dick) Metz of Gladwin; Sally (Larry) Donovan of Scottsville; Susan Williamson of Bayview, Idaho; and David Williamson of Petoskey; and two special friends Janet Clements and Michelle Sulier.

Bill is preceded in death by his mother, Thelma Seethaler, step father, John Seethaler, his father, Blair Johnston, and grandparents, Joseph and Clara Bachmayer.

Services for Bill will take place on Tuesday November 6, 2012 at 2 p.m. at Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel in Blissfield, with Rev. Keith Smith

officiating. Burial will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until the time of service at the funeral home. Those wishing to make a donation in memory of Bill should consider Element Church, or Hospice of Lenawee, envelopes are available at the funeral home. You may leave a condolence at www.WagleyFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant View Cemetery

9175 E. US 223
Blissfield, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *William Blair Johnston*

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“ *Bill ! I will always remember your visits when I worked @ Hathaway House, We had some good talks & laughs.I loved our lunches with Michelle @ the Stables . Rest now my friend till we see you again...Pat*

Pat LaTour - November 06, 2012 at 08:21 AM