



William "Bill" Henry Dangro

May 1, 2023

William "Bill" Henry Dangro, 90, of Lancaster, PA, went to his heavenly home to be with his wife, Erma Jean and daughter, Joni on Monday, May 1, 2023. Born in Lancaster, PA, he was the son of the late Mabel Gertrude Borger and Harry Dangro.

Bill served in the Seventh Infantry Division during the Korean Conflict. He spent 33 and a half months as a POW in North Korea after fighting in the Battle of the Chosin Reservoir. Upon his release in August 1953, Bill was honorably discharged from the U.S. Army and was awarded three Purple Hearts for his courage and bravery throughout the Conflict.

He met his neighborhood sweetheart on his paper route as a young man on South Duke Street. Bill married Erma Jean Flory on February 27, 1954, in Lancaster. Together they had nine children that they raised and loved. Bill worked as an oil furnace repairman with GW Davis. He also worked for Johnny's B.P. gas station as an auto mechanic; he was a part-time charter bus driver with CTC & Penn Highways. Bill later worked with the City of Lancaster Police Department as a traffic control and event officer. Bill dedicated his job to being an auto mechanic until January 4, 1999, when he retired.

Bill was a life member of the AMVETS, American Legion Post 34, Disabled American Veterans, and Ex-POW Association. He was a member of

Redeemer Lutheran Church in Lancaster, PA. Bill was an avid NASCAR fan and loved Dale Earnhardt. He enjoyed listening to old-school country music. Bill spent his free time cooking, hunting, fishing, and collecting coins. He will be dearly missed by his friends and family for all the fun times and stories he shared.

He is survived by his nine children, Tamara Mussmon, William G. Dangro (Diane), Michael A. Dangro (Felicia), Jan L. Adams (Steve), Tina M. Ruiz (Angel), Tracy L. Baldwin, David W. Dangro, Christina Flood Herndon (Steve), and Michael Flood; his fourteen grandchildren; his nineteen great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren; his sister, Susan Beck; and many nieces and nephews.

Bill was preceded in death by his wife, Erma Jean Dangro in 2020, his daughter, Joni L. White in 1996; his grandson, Russell Jenkins, his five sisters, his one brother; and his twin children deceased at birth in 1954.

A Funeral Service will be held at The Groff Event Center, 234 W. Orange Street, Lancaster, PA 17603 on Saturday, May 6, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. Friends are welcome to greet the family starting at 9:00 a.m. until the time of service. Interment will follow at Conestoga Memorial Park with full military honors.

To watch the live stream at 10:30 a.m. please click on the link. <https://client.tri-bucast.com/tcid/8006132717>

The family would like to give special thanks to the nurses, doctors, and staff at the Lebanon VA Hospital for their incredible compassion, care, and love for our father.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Redeemer Lutheran Church, 500 Pearl Street, Lancaster, PA 17603.

Cemetery Details

Conestoga Memorial Park

95 2nd Lock Rd
Lancaster, PA 17603

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 6. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Groff Event Center
234 West Orange Street
Lancaster, PA 17602
(717) 575-1191
<https://groffeventcenter.com/>

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" Henry Dangro*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Remembering Bill from the BP station, when we hung out there 1969-1971. He was always helpful with automotive stuff and was a good guy to know. Good memories! ~ Bruce Laudenberger*

Bruce Laudenberger - August 24, 2023 at 08:17 AM



“ *Shelley Dauberman lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Henry Dangro*



Shelley Dauberman - May 06, 2023 at 08:00 AM



“ *Lots of good and fond memories of you and your many friends at Johnnies BP! Thank you too for your son Bill Jr... who I'm sure you are very proud of, for the the man that he has become. Until we see one another again in Heaven, may God Bless and keep you William Henry Dangro forevermore.*

Michael K Miller - May 06, 2023 at 04:42 AM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Henry Dangro.*



May 04, 2023 at 12:20 PM



“ *Sending prayers n condolences to Tina/Tracy n Dangro family members. I know how proud U were of your father n witness how much U provided caregiving love. As a fellow veteran I was honored to meet him n learning about his military history, which never should be forgotten by me.*

Earl F Boots Jr - May 03, 2023 at 11:40 PM



“ *Jen Smith lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Henry Dangro*



Jen Smith - May 03, 2023 at 09:37 PM

JS

“ I remember the night that Bill came to the VA, he was in bad shape and was very happy to be transferred to our unit. He was always kind and generous, buying turkeys at Thanksgiving and helping with meal prep, he bought meals on trips for everyone and was always “watching out for other vets.” He was a true patriot and hero. He truly loved his nurses and aides on the unit. Bill talked with my dad on many occasions at the grocery store, and they would have great conversations, I could never get my dad to leave! Bill was respectful to staff and thankful for his care. It was an honor to care for him and to know him through the years...
Bill is listening to good country music in heaven, probably telling Saint Peter who can pass through the pearly gates....

Jen Smith

Jen Smith - May 03, 2023 at 09:36 PM

TM

“ One of my greatest heroes, will love and miss you forever... RIP Uncle “Skinny” Bill 🙏❤️😊
god bless the Dangro kids, Love y’all ❤️



Tom “Bones” Murphy - May 03, 2023 at 09:27 PM

BM

“ Our Thoughts n Prayers are with you Tina n Traci n Family Love n Prayers Mike n Brenda Meekins ❤️

Brenda Meekins - May 03, 2023 at 08:37 PM

LD

“ Our condolence's & prayers go out to the family.

Lloyd & Brenda Dochterman

Lloyd & Brenda Dochterman - May 03, 2023 at 07:00 PM

MW

“ Billie, Jan, Mikey, Tina and David Wayne....you have been and always will be a part of the Reese family. From neighbors growing up on South Broad, to becoming relatives. Don't know how he put up with all the noise at our gatherings? Your dad is such a laid back guy with a heart of gold. He is now at rest with mom. Although he was in Lebanon, he was thought of very often by Willie and I. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mark and Willie

Mark and Willie - May 03, 2023 at 03:56 PM

BA

“ Brenda Ackerman lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Henry Dangro



Brenda Ackerman - May 03, 2023 at 02:43 PM

MS

“ I was the first nursing assistant to care for Bill when he came to the VA Hospital. When Bill found out I was a Marine he let me know real fast, I hate Marines!! I wish you could have been there to experience our interactions. His light shown ✨ bright.. I thank you Bill, for your impact on my life.. I'll miss ya.. Mike Smith U.S.M.C.

Mike Smith - May 03, 2023 at 12:44 PM

SH

“ You will always have a special place in my heart I will miss you so much iam so glad I got to take care of such a wonderful person love always sheri

sheri - May 03, 2023 at 12:36 PM

LS

“ So very sorry for your loss. What a wonderful man! He was like a father/grandfather to most of us. It was an honor and pleasure to have known him and taken care of him!!

Lisa Schreyer - May 03, 2023 at 11:27 AM

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“ Nurses, staff and Veterans of 1-4A purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of William "Bill" Henry Dangro.



Nurses, staff and Veterans of 1-4A - May 03, 2023 at 11:21 AM

LS

“ Lisa Schreyer lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Henry Dangro



Lisa Schreyer - May 03, 2023 at 10:58 AM

SH

“ Sheri lit a candle in memory of William "Bill" Henry Dangro



sheri - May 03, 2023 at 10:51 AM

PE

“ Jan, Tina, Tracy and the rest of the family. Bill was such a kind and generous man. Yes, I affectionately called him "Bullwinkle ", as I did my dad, but he was such a knowledgeable man. We had so much fun cooking on evening shift when I was at the VA. He is at peace now, free from pain. He will be missed. Take care girls.

Pauline Ellis - May 03, 2023 at 09:09 AM

TM

“ I knew Bill when I worked for the City Police. I always felt his Military service should be recognized as a National HERO!! Condolences to the family.

Theodore Makauskas - May 03, 2023 at 06:30 AM

DR

“ I remember getting up at 430 am to go to the garage,pump gas with Dave for the whole day I really liked doing that, riding the CTC bus to the barn after pops was done working going to miss you bill R.I.P

Dale Thomas Reese - May 03, 2023 at 02:50 AM

RM

“ Rest peacefully SkinnyBill. ❤️❤️❤️



Russell Murphy - May 02, 2023 at 08:48 PM

BL

“ My memories of Bill were from Johnny's BP service station, where he worked as a mechanic. He was a helpful and good man. Condolences to family as we all reflect on his passing.
~ Bruce Laudenberger

Bruce Laudenberger - May 02, 2023 at 07:31 PM

DM

“ It was just a few weeks ago I saw him at Skip's service! 🥹 Many stories and great memories. The family has been so blessed by them both.
Together again. One heck of a family reunion goin' on. Love and blessings to you all.
Dee M

Dee Mellinger - May 02, 2023 at 06:39 PM