



William "Bill" Palmer Carrick

April 14, 1953 - May 19, 2025

William "Bill" Palmer Carrick, age 72, of Brimley, Michigan, died at his home on May 19, 2025. He was born on April 14, 1953, in Ypsilanti, Michigan, to Benjamin and Marie (Hill) Carrick.

Bill grew up in Brighton and Bay Mills, Michigan, and graduated from Brimley High School. He was a proud member of St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church in Brimley, where his faith and community held an important place in his life.

Bill had a deep appreciation for the arts and was an avid collector. He had a wide-ranging taste in music and always found joy in sharing it with others. He loved the outdoors - spending time hunting or riding his four-wheeler down quiet backroads brought him peace and happiness.

Bill is survived by his wife, Debra; son, Dustin (Ginny) Behnke of Wyoming; daughter, Kelsi (Rick) Palo of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan; grandchildren, Kalie Behnke, Zach Hagen, Nicholas Behnke, Dax Palo, Van Palo; great-grandchildren, Ryland Foy and Violet Foy; siblings, Gwen Deuman of Brimley, Mel Fust of Brimley, Becky (Duane "Petsy") Parish of Bay Mills, Michigan, Laurie (Reg) Robbins of Brimley, Mary (Al Robinson) Kurtz of Bay Mills, Eileen (Norman) Cameron of Bay Mills, Chris (Carol) Carrick of Bay Mills, and Suzanne Carrick of Brimley; in laws, Kathi Carrick, Linda (Dennis) Mayer, Cindy Bergeron, Susan Hagen, Mary Lou Bergeron, and Ray (Sue) Braydon.

Bill was preceded in death by his son, Christopher Behnke; parents, Benjamin and Vivian; brothers, Ben (Katie) Carrick, Mike Carrick, David Carrick; brothers-in-law, Glen Bergeron, Gary Bergeron, and Mark Bergeron, Terry Deuman Sr.; nephew, Terry Dueman Jr.; niece, Vivian Renee Jones; and great-nephew, Jeffe Dakota Bjork.

A Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, June 4, 2025, at the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Church, 12014 W. Lakeshore Dr., Brimley, Michigan 49715. Visitation will be from 1:30 PM to 2:30 PM. The Memorial Mass will begin at 2:30 PM with the burial to follow. A luncheon will take place at the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Hall following the burial.

William's final resting place will be at the Mission Hill Cemetery in Brimley.

Memorial Contributions to be made in honor of William at the Mott's Hospital Cancer Center, 1540 E. Hospital Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48109.

Family Life Funeral Homes Sault Ste Marie assisted the family with arrangements. Condolences may be left to the family at www.familylifefh.com.

Cemetery Details

Mission Hill Cemetery

Bay Mills, MI

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

JUN 4. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

St. Kateri Tekakwitha Catholic Church
12014 Lakeshore Drive
Bay Mills, MI 49715

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Memorial Mass

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Burial to follow. A luncheon will take place at the St. Kateri Tekakwitha Hall following the burial.

Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of William "Bill" Palmer Carrick.*



May 31, 2025 at 01:30 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William "Bill" Palmer Carrick.

May 31, 2025 at 01:30 PM

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“ To my dear Uncle Bill, give heaven my best & tell all of the Arch Angels I said hello. As you prepare a place for us now, you will be missed down here. Here's to your new beginning, life hereafter this, memories of you will be cherished in the hearts and minds of many forevermore. I could never ask for a better family in this life or the next. I just know that there is a huge celebration up above happening as I write this, as you reunite with the best people I have ever had the privilege to know and love. I will fight my tears and save them for when I really need them, for I know that this is not the end & that they are just the prayers we can not put into words. I always wondered why there's a Ben, Bing & a Bill but out of the blue, there's a Michael & you know I could here your laughter as your humor lives on through us and realize there was actually a Dave. I could never keep track of everyone in our huge & loving family but, that's because Papa Ben & Grandma Viv created a legacy too great for measure. Cheers to you our newest Angel, until we meet again.



To Auntie Debbie, Kelsey, & brothers, I pray God comforts you in His loving arms & you hold steadfast to faith knowing, this is far from the end. There are no words to describe what you all mean to me. May Goodness & Mercy follow you all the days of your lives & we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever & ever Amen.

To my family, be strong & know that you are loved, you are never alone, that you are watched over & protected in the highest rank now, & that we will all meet again in God's time. Please receive a hug from me through these words & know that you mean to everything to me and more.

God Bless You & God Bless Us All

Elizabeth Marie Carrick - May 30, 2025 at 07:09 PM

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One of my favorite memories is BBQs in Brimley with the whole family, & thinking about sneaking a try of that top tier secret egg nog stuff during Christmas, feeling on top of the world knowing I get to see Uncle Bill at school!

Elizabeth Marie Carrick - May 30, 2025 at 07:15 PM

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This is beautiful, thank you 🥰

Kelsi - May 31, 2025 at 07:39 AM