



## William Lowell Wallace

August 18, 1937 - January 24, 2017

William Lowell Wallace, “Bill” was called peacefully to be with the Lord at his home, on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at the age of 79. Bill was born in Whitefish, MT on August 18, 1937 to Russell L. and Monrene A. (Wilson) Wallace. Bill graduated from Whitefish High School in 1956 where he met and then married his high school sweetheart Mary Alice Hastings on April 27, 1957. He then spent time as an Engine Fireman for the Great Northern Railroad and as a Radio Operator for American Bridge building missile silos in Eastern Montana. Bill then wisely chose to begin his college career at Northern Montana College in Havre, MT and finishing at the University of Montana with a Bachelors of Pharmacy. Also, while attending college, Bill and Mary were blessed with a son Roger Dean and daughter Michelle Lynn. Bill began his Pharmacy career in Gig Harbor, WA and eventually settled in Ephrata working first for Potter Drug. The couple then purchased Don’s Drug, soon to be known as Bill’s Pills and Mary’s Gifts. Bill then became the Pharmacy Manager at Ephrata Safeway and worked relief until his retirement in 2005.

Bill truly personified the term “Servants Heart”. During his time in Ephrata Bill twice served as President of the Ephrata Lions Club where he was eventually honored with a Lifetime Membership. Bill also served as President of the Ephrata Chamber of Commerce as well as serving as Elder and Deacon for Our Redeemers Presbyterian Church. Bill enjoyed many outdoor activities

including hunting, fishing, skiing, horses and of course his grandchildren and great grandchildren. Bill was very proud to be a University of Montana Alum and Grizzly Football was his passion. On any given day, Bill could be found wearing a favorite piece of Grizzly logo'd clothing...Go Griz! Bill and his walking partners took particular pleasure in solving the world's problems, while putting in thousands of miles walking the streets of Grandview Heights and enjoying morning coffee.

Bill is survived at the family home by his wife of 59 years Mary Wallace as well as their children Roger Wallace (Carolyn) of Polson, MT and Michelle VanHeusden of Ephrata; a sister Patricia Gilbertson (Doug) of Whitefish, MT; grandchildren Joshua (Megan) VanHeusden, Megan VanHeusden and Tyler VanHeusden all of Ephrata, as well as Erin (Ben) Johnson of Seattle and Robbie Hayes of Polson, MT; great-grandchildren Jobe, Zxander, Elijah and James; nephews Michael Gilbertson (Leslie) of Portland, OR and Alan Gilbertson (Beth) of Kalispell, MT.

Arrangements are being provided by Nicoles Funeral Home and services are scheduled for Monday, January 30th at 11 a.m. at Our Redeemers Presbyterian Church in Ephrata. Please express your thoughts and memories for the family at [www.nicolesfuneralhome.com](http://www.nicolesfuneralhome.com).

The family truly appreciates your thoughts and prayers during this most difficult time and in lieu of flowers we suggest donating to Ephrata Food Bank, Our Redeemers Presbyterian Church or of course the charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Service

JAN 30. 11:00 AM (PT)

Our Redeemers Presbyterian Church  
172 Ivy St SE  
Ephrata, WA 98823

# Tribute Wall



“ *Nicoles Funeral Home and Valley View Memorial Park created a Tribute Video in memory of William Lowell Wallace*



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**Nicoles Funeral Home and Valley View Memorial Park** - January 28, 2017 at 11:12 AM

VW

*Very nice tribute for a wonderful man! Bill was a very thoughtful and hardworking Lion...and we will sure miss him.*

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**Vicki Williams** - January 31, 2017 at 07:49 PM

SH

“ *Bill was our pharmacist for many years. He sincerely cared about our health and our children's health. I knew I could trust his advice. Even years later he remembered us and would say hello in town. I will send a donation to the Ephrata food bank in his name. I am only posting out here so that Mary will know. Sylvia and Dave Hammond.*

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**Sylvia Hammond** - January 27, 2017 at 04:13 PM

BM

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. He will be missed.*  
*Barb Merritt*

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**Barb Merritt** - January 27, 2017 at 02:05 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers to the family.



Mary Heston - January 26, 2017 at 07:59 PM

NK

“ Noella And Brian Kirkham lit a candle in memory of William Lowell Wallace



Noella and Brian Kirkham - January 26, 2017 at 09:59 AM

BR

*I've lost my "walkin' buddy"....after more than 20 years of a professional relationship with Bill, before we both retired, he called me and asked if I would join him in his exercise program by walking together. As we walked he would tell me tall tales of his university days, playing football as a youth, riding horses and his love of his family and memories of Montana. After our walk we'd sit in Mary's kitchen and have coffee and discuss how we would fix things if we were in charge of the world (?). ....brag about our kids & grand-kids...and discuss our plans to both become cage fighters (!). Not only was it a pleasure to reconnect with Bill but also an honor. I miss you already Bill, rest in peace my friend*

BRIAN - January 26, 2017 at 02:46 PM

AG

“ Alan & Beth Gilbertson & Girls lit a candle in memory of William Lowell Wallace



Alan & Beth Gilbertson & Girls - January 26, 2017 at 06:18 AM

RO

“ *Ron And Carol Oaks lit a candle in memory of William Lowell Wallace*



**Ron and Carol Oaks** - January 26, 2017 at 01:47 AM

RO

*We send you our love and sympathy at this difficult time. Bill was a wonderful man and will be missed by all those lives he touched. May God comfort you all.*

**Ron and Carol Oaks** - January 26, 2017 at 01:50 AM

CB

*Mary and family, I am very saddened by your loss. Bill was a great man and touched so many lives in our community. He will be greatly missed. Cheryl (Franks) Bodi*

**Cheryl Franks Bodi** - January 27, 2017 at 11:10 PM

FC

*We were saddened to hear of Bill's passing. Mary, our thoughts and prayers are with you Roger and your family. Bill was a great cousin to me. He treated me like a little brother when I was a young boy. Bill will be missed by all that knew him or were lucky enough to be related to him. Fred and Candace Chase*

**Fred Chase** - February 01, 2017 at 03:46 PM