



## William 'Bill' DuChene

January 2, 2022

William (Bill) Harvey DuChene, 73, of Wallaceburg passed away peacefully with family by his side on Sunday, January 2, 2022.

William was the son of the late Donald and Phoebe DuChene. Husband to the late Dorothy Carol (Flaxman) DuChene. Loved partner of Rachel Martin. Beloved brother to Peter DuChene (Betty) of Chatham and Nancy DuChene of Wallaceburg.

Beloved father of Amanda Coulter (Jason), Melissa DuChene (Mark), and Josh DuChene (Lauren). Grandfather, Grandpa, Peepa and PAPA to Yuna, Londen, Bennett, Tanner, Rexford, Avery and Edison.

Bill grew up in the town of Wallaceburg. After graduating from Wallaceburg District Secondary School, he moved on to the University of Windsor to obtain his Bachelor of Arts degree in English. Bill received his Bachelor of Education from Western University, where he met Carol, who would become his loving wife.

Bill and Carol planted their roots in Wallaceburg to begin their careers and their family.

Bill's heart was in the classroom and on the basketball court. During his teaching tenure of 40 plus years, Bill was a friend, co-worker, mentor, and coach to many people. Out of the classroom and off the court, Bill loved the outdoors, camping, kayaking, and soaking up the sun. Bill had a way of connecting with people through his quick wit and caring nature. From his Bro to the North to his Wallaceburg friends and colleagues and sitting court-side at

Toronto Raptor games (Karl), he was able to share many adventures and good times.

After losing his spouse, Carol, Bill found a partner (Rachel) with whom he would travel and enjoy retirement for the rest of his life.

Witty to the end, he will be missed and always loved.

The family would like to thank Dr.McElligott, London Health Sciences, CKHA, VON Chatham-Kent, and CK Hospice for their exceptional care. Due to Covid-19 restrictions and Dad's wishes there will be no public service at this time.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make a donation to the Chatham-Kent Hospice of a Charity of your Choice which may be left at HAYCOCK-CAVANAGH FUNERAL HOME, 409 Nelson Street in Wallaceburg

519.627.3231. Shared stories and tributes may be left on the tribute wall at [www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca](http://www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca)

# Tribute Wall



“ Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - January 28, 2022 at 04:03 PM

JD

*This is amazing. Thank you adding this amazing tribute!*

josh DUCHENE - January 29, 2022 at 08:27 AM

JJ

*Mr. DuChene was my teacher for three years in row. Grades 5,6 and 7 from 1975 to 1977. And to this day I think of him often. I learned yesterday of his passing and I cried. I wish I had a chance to tell him how much he meant to me. Love you Mr. DuChene.*

John Ioannou - March 13, 2024 at 07:19 PM

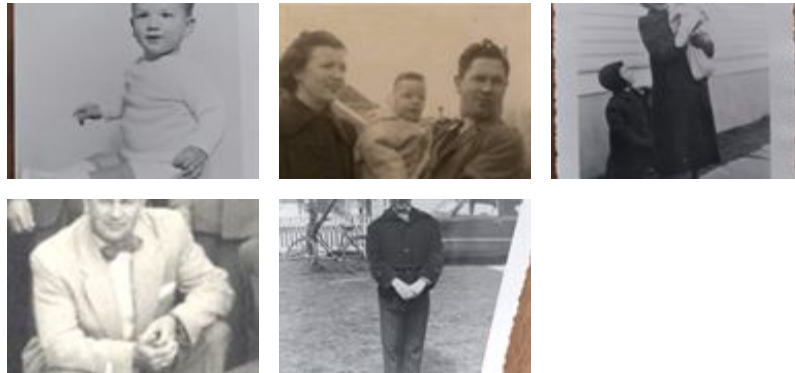


“ William 'Bill' DuChene

January 29, 2023 at 11:37 PM



“ 131 files added to the album LifeTributes



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - January 28, 2022 at 02:17 PM

MB

“ I just heard about Bill. I am so very sorry. I was fortunate to have taught with Bill for several years. He was a very special person to everyone who knew him. My sincere sympathy to you, Rachel and the rest of the Duchene family. Mary Lou Bell

Mary Lou Bell - January 26, 2022 at 09:37 PM

KS

“ Kim Smith lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene



kim smith - January 14, 2022 at 07:18 PM

DW

“ Our condolences to the family, we were so sorry to hear this news. Years ago, we often saw Bill at the mall grocery store with his classes helping them to learn shopping skills. We didn't really know him then but were impressed with the genuine, easy way that he had with his students. We came to know him through the years and appreciated what a fine "gentle-man" he was.

David and Karen Walker - January 14, 2022 at 11:12 AM



“ Sincere sympathy to Rachel, Mandy, Melissa, Josh, Nancy & families. Never a dull moment around Bill... so much fun. He was loved by all & will be missed. Judy & Bernie Hagan

Judy Hagan - January 13, 2022 at 07:01 PM

RG

“ I thought a great deal of Bill. I met him many years ago at university where he attended with my husband. He had a great sense of humour and was quick with a comeback! Yet, there was a soft, compassionate side to him. That really shone through when he helped me through the loss of my husband. Stay strong Rachel and peace to the entire family.

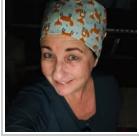
Roberta Glover - January 10, 2022 at 03:07 PM

BT

“ Barb Thornton lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene



Barb Thornton - January 08, 2022 at 12:23 PM



“ *Condolences to family & friends. Mr Duchene was my grade 5 teacher in the early 70's, thinking we were his first class. He is the grade school teacher that truly had an impact on my life & I still carry fond memories of his patience, kindness & love for his job*

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**Carol Robinson** - January 08, 2022 at 07:42 AM

JM

“ *I have known Bill for most of my life. I always admired him as a teacher, having taught our daughter. I knew before then, however, of his connection with his students. He was a very kind man, treated everyone as an equal, and gave them all a chance. He in turn was loved by his students. Bill was a true gentleman. He used to walk a lot over the years, and when you met him on the street he would stop and take the time to speak. I was glad to have known him, and I'm sure he made his family proud.*

*Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. May he rest in peace.*

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**Jim Myers** - January 07, 2022 at 09:48 PM

LR

“ *Sorry for your loss and Prayers! Donald Richardson*



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**Linda Richardson** - January 07, 2022 at 03:22 PM

SH

“ Heartfelt condolences to the Duchene family during this time of sadness. Bill was an inspiration all who knew him. Heaven has gained an angel.  
Cherish the memories.  
Shirl

Shirl - January 07, 2022 at 01:04 PM

SH

Heartfelt condolences to the DuChene family

shirl - January 07, 2022 at 02:04 PM

RB

“ We wish to send our condolences to Bill's family and friends. Thinking of all at this sad time. Cherish your memories. Rick and Cathy Boak

Rick and Cathy Boak - January 07, 2022 at 09:53 AM

CC

“ CURRIER CHIROPRACTIC lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene



CURRIER CHIROPRACTIC - January 07, 2022 at 07:52 AM

KC

“ Bill and I go back to WDSS. We played B’ball there all 5 years His Nick name was Clem and I was Sid Bill was the best player on both the football and basketball teams. No questions about it He was fun to be around. We double dated many times. He was the life of the party During Xmas breaks from university, a group of us would bake cookies at Phoebe’s and then shoot hoops at the school. Always fun to be with. He taught at AA Wright where I went to elementary school. Sounds like he was a legend there. Rest In Peace my friend. You were taken decades too early. Kerry Cairns

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**Kerry Cairns** - January 06, 2022 at 10:53 PM

BL

“ Yvette and I wish to express our heartfelt condolences to Rachel, Josh and family, Mandy and family, Melissa and family and Nancy, for the loss of their companion, father and brother. Bill was a gold star person. I was very fortunate to work with Bill for many years and always admired the way that he interacted with his students and the mark that he left on them. He will certainly be missed by a great many people. Hang on to memories of all of the good times together. Rest easy now my friend.  
Yvette Bowsher and Barry Lightfoot

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**Barry Lightfoot** - January 06, 2022 at 04:11 PM

CK

“ *My condolences to the Duchene family. It was a shock to learn of Bill's passing.*

*Bill was a star athlete and a great teammate. We had five memorable years together playing football for the Tartans. He was always upbeat and positive, and led by example. From the comments below, he obviously continued as a wonderful teacher, coach, father, friend and neighbour. He will be missed. Rest in peace, Bill.*



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**Chris Krokoszynski** - January 06, 2022 at 11:48 AM

JK

“ *Sorry to here about Bill ,have known him for years since we played high school football together and he came to visit Deb and I on Manitoulin Island.Have many great old memories of different adventures with Bill.*

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**John Kada** - January 06, 2022 at 10:29 AM



“ *My Condolences to the family! You're in my thoughts at this very difficult time!*

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**Janet Deschenes** - January 06, 2022 at 07:57 AM



“ *My condolences to the DuChene family, I remember Mr. DuChene as a teacher at AA Wright school in the early 90' s he was a very nice man.*

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**Tiffany Kelly** - January 05, 2022 at 08:18 PM

BS

“ *Our Heartfelt Condolences to All the Family, you are in our thoughts and prayers!!  
RIP Bill*



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**Brian and Elaine Shaw** - January 05, 2022 at 06:40 PM

AP

“ *Bill was an amazing teacher and mentor. His style made we want to become a teacher (never realized) but his style still influences me in my job today. Will always remember playing pick up basket-ball in the gym and his love to play.  
Prayers with the family and others touched by this man!*

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**Adam Pauwels** - January 05, 2022 at 02:59 PM

DC

“ *Dianne & Fred Chapple lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene*



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**Dianne & Fred Chapple** - January 05, 2022 at 02:11 PM

TP

“ *So very sad to hear of Bill's passing. I was honoured to have had him as a teacher. Wishing his family much strength and peace during this difficult time.*

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**Tammy Palocz-Dunn** - January 05, 2022 at 11:23 AM

Jl

*Hi Tammy. John Ioannou here. Remember me? Mr. DuChene was my favourite teacher ever!*

**John Ioannou** - March 14, 2024 at 10:56 AM

AL

“ *Sending sympathy to Bill's family. Aunt Audrey Lambourn*

**Audrey Lambourn** - January 05, 2022 at 10:56 AM

NR

“ *Newt & Deb Richardson sent a virtual gift in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene*



**Newt & Deb Richardson** - January 05, 2022 at 10:09 AM

MT

*Mandy, Missy and Josh - my sincerest condolences for your loss Bill will be sorely missed*

**Mr. T** - January 05, 2022 at 10:30 AM

UN

“ *Bill DuChene was a much loved exceptional teacher at A.A. Wright School for many years. I am so sorry to hear of his passing. My sincere condolences to his family and friends. He will be missed by many.*

*Uta Nowakowski*

**Uta Nowakowski** - January 05, 2022 at 09:42 AM

UN

“ *Bill DuChene was a much loved teacher at A.A. Wright school for many years. I'm so sad to hear of his passing. Sincere condolences to all his family..*  
*Uta Nowakowski*



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**Uta Nowakowski** - January 05, 2022 at 09:30 AM

 Janice Conway

“ *Amanda, Melissa and Josh I am so very sorry to hear of your father's passing. My deepest sympathies to you and all of your family.*



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**Janice Conway** - January 05, 2022 at 09:16 AM

LD

“ *Dear Melissa and all your family, I am so very sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Louise Van Damme*

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**Louise Van Damme** - January 05, 2022 at 07:57 AM

LA

“ *Leonard And Jeanetta Atkins sent a virtual gift in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene*



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**Leonard And Jeanetta Atkins** - January 05, 2022 at 07:49 AM

KK

“ Condolences to the family and friends of Bill. I grew up across the street from A.A. Wright school. Bill was always the center of attention, everyone loved him as a teacher, coach, and friend on the playground. I will never forget the countless Friday and Saturday nights Bill would open the gym for us to play basketball with him. Thanks again Bill, you will never be forgotten  
Regards  
Kory Kopko

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**Kory Kopko** - January 05, 2022 at 07:25 AM

ET

“ Mr. DuChene was a great teacher and a great athlete. Some of my fondest memories of AA Wright back in the early 80's are playing basketball with him in the gym. He was an exceptional person, who I'm sure will be missed by many.

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**Ed Topliffe** - January 05, 2022 at 06:24 AM



“ So sad to hear this. Bill was a good friend to me in grade 9 at WDSS before I emigrated to the US. We shared a locker outside of Mr. Jackson's Electric Shop in the new addition. I was a small kid then and he was a giant in my eyes but a very gentle one. I lost touch with him for many years but we reconnected on Facebook several years ago. He seemed to understand and sympathize with my horror at the direction in American politics under the orange fascist. He told me that he was struggling with cancer but that it was under control. My condolences to his spouse, children and grandchildren, and any siblings who are still alive. Rest in peace, Bill. I'll miss our messaging on Facebook.

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**Bart Eleveld** - January 05, 2022 at 01:46 AM

DT

“ *Doug Trudel lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene*



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**Doug Trudel** - January 05, 2022 at 12:51 AM

MC

“ *He changed me life and how I looked at school he did not right me off or dismisse me he figured out I had a lurning disability and would just ask me the question and I went from failing my classes to exseling gave me confidence to go to college helped me grow up and advocate for myself will be thinking about him and his family from the Chapple family*

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**Mark chapple** - January 04, 2022 at 11:36 PM

MV

“ *As we read all of the condolences to date we are noddng in agreement, laughing, crying and smiling. Bill was all of these things to each of you. For us, Bill was the kayaker who dropped in for the occasional beer and great conversation, our volunteer carpenter and 1/2 of the best Superbowl party throwing team. Our numerous "African Queen" experiences were more than memorable. For us, Bill was a dear friend who will be forever missed, forever remembered. Rachel, Nancy, Peter, Mandi, Melissa, Josh and families our deepest condolences. Love and hugs to all, Jim and Monica*

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**Monica Vandellen** - January 04, 2022 at 09:43 PM

BB

“ My deepest sympathy to the family. I was fortunate to begin my teaching at A.A.Wright with Bill in 1973. He was a great role model, mentor and colleague. ( Not a bad Tuesday night basketball player either.) He was extremely well thought of by both students and teaching staff.

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**Bob Belbeck** - January 04, 2022 at 09:35 PM

Jl

*Hello Mr. Belbeck. You were my teacher for half a year. You remember when I wrote all over my notebook “ I hate Belbeck” When I didn’t hate you really. It was because I got transferred from Mr. Duchene’s class to yours and I was sad to leave Mr. Duchene and my friends. You probably don’t remember anyway. But I never forgot you Mr. Belbeck. I’m glad you were my teacher for a half a year anyway, looking back after all these years.*

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**John Ioannou** - September 06, 2025 at 02:35 AM

JW

“ You couldn’t wish for a better colleague, neighbour and friend. Bill was always ready to lend a helping hand and share a laugh.

*Our deepest sympathies,*

*Jim and Yvonne Walden*

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**Jim Walden** - January 04, 2022 at 09:26 PM

SA

“ Jim and I had Many fun times with Bill...at WDSS, Windsor University and yearly university reunions.  
He was a kind, thoughtful and could always make you laugh.  
Our heart goes out to Rachel, Bill's children and Pete and Nancy and other loved ones  
May you find comfort in memories of all the good times  
The world is a better place because Bill touched it with love, warmth, goodness and  
Humour. He will be missed.

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**susan Anderson** - January 04, 2022 at 09:00 PM

KV

“ Sending condolences to Mr DuChenes family and friends. He was my neighbor when I bought my first house on Thomas as well as having looked after him time to time during his illness. So sorry for your loss.

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**Karrie VanCaille** - January 04, 2022 at 07:02 PM

LJ

“ Josh, Lauren and families, so sorry for your loss.

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**Lyle and Eileen Jardine** - January 04, 2022 at 07:01 PM

CM

“ Our deepest condolences to the Duchene family. Back in the day, Mr. Duchene was one of the "Rock Star" teachers at A.A.Wright. He always had a contagious smile and positive attitude. Inquiring how your the day was going. Providing kind and encouraging words to his students; to put forth their best efforts in studies, personal life and of course sports. Especially basketball! I can't remember how many games of hoops, both in the gym and outside on the court, I have lost to that man?? I've always had the utmost admiration and respect for Bill. He was a true gentleman and he will be sorely missed by all those he's touched throughout his life. Thank you sir.

Chad & Shelley Murphy

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**Chad & Shelley Murphy** - January 04, 2022 at 06:15 PM

KR

“ My condolences Mandi, Melissa and Josh. Bill was like a second Dad to me for many years as I grew up with Mandi. So many great memories of spending time at their house and sleepovers in the camper in the driveway! Thinking of all of you during this tough time.



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**Kelly (Baker) Richardson** - January 04, 2022 at 05:33 PM

TM

“ We have so many wonderful memories spent with Bill and Carol. The times spent with Bill were moments of gut-splitting laughter. Tino remembers with fondness so many Tuesday night basketball games at the High School, and the wobbly pops afterwards. We wish comfort in the days and weeks ahead for Mandy, Melissa, Josh and all those who loved him.

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**Tino & Cindy Mussio** - January 04, 2022 at 05:24 PM

SA

“ Sincere Condolences and love to Rachel and Bill’s family.  
Jim and I have many great memories of time spent with Bill, when we were at WDSS  
And Jim and Bill were at Windsor University together Also with Bill and Carol and in the last few years with Bill and Rachel. He was such a thoughtful, kind and fun person.  
May you find comfort in the memories of good times. What a gift it was to have Bill in all our lives.  
The world is a lovelier and better place because Bill touched it with warmth, goodness  
And grace.  
Sue and Jim Anderson

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**susan Anderson** - January 04, 2022 at 05:14 PM

LM

“ My heartfelt condolences to Bill’s family and loved ones. Many memories...from PeeWee hockey at the arena, or being outclassed by Bill shooting one-on-one hoops in his backyard, or to unwisely testing the 7-knot current in the St. Clair off Walpole Island, not to mention Bill being present when I first met my wife, Ruth Anne. Excellent athlete, a great friend, and all around good person who will be missed.

Lynn Murray

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**Lynn James Murray** - January 04, 2022 at 04:01 PM

RA

VERY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS.RITA AND GARY AUTHIER

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**Rita Authier** - January 05, 2022 at 10:57 AM

KT

“ I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. Mr Duchene (it just doesn't feel right to refer to him any other way) was my grade 8 teacher. He was a wonderful man and teacher. He will be greatly missed. Thinking of all of you and sending love and prayers



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**Kristy (Kitchen) Toulouse** - January 04, 2022 at 03:56 PM

 Barry Puskas

“ So terribly sorry to hear of Bills passing. He will be missed. Barry and Judy PUSKAS

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**Barry Puskas** - January 04, 2022 at 02:29 PM

RR

“ RIP Billy

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**richard robson** - January 04, 2022 at 02:22 PM

SC

“ So very sorry to hear of Bill's passing. Always had a great time with him and Carol. May your memories give you comfort at this sad time. Don and Sharon (Lambourn) Cameron

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**Sharon Cameron** - January 04, 2022 at 02:20 PM

MR

“ My deepest condolences to the family. Mr Duchene was my grade 7 teacher at AA Wright school and gave me great guidance in life as well as in school. My greatest respect to an amazing person and teacher



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**Michelle Carson RN** - January 04, 2022 at 02:19 PM

TH

“ Sincerest condolences to Rachel and all of the DuChene Family. May your treasured memories bring you comfort now and always.

Taryn and Chris Havens - January 04, 2022 at 02:09 PM

JC

“ My condolences to Rachel and all of Bill's family. He was always fun to be around. He will be missed.

Jim Cole - January 04, 2022 at 01:44 PM

CH

“ Our deepest condolences go out to Rachel, family & friends. A true "gentleman", you will be missed by so many. Rest in Peace.



Chris Heath - January 04, 2022 at 01:40 PM

JT

“ Jack And Kim Thomaes lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene



Jack and Kim Thomaes - January 04, 2022 at 01:37 PM

TF

“ Memories are such treasures, especially now,,love to all,hugs❤️



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**Theresa Freeburn** - January 04, 2022 at 01:06 PM

JM

“ Bill was a superior athlete,a great teacher and coach,and above all, a kind and considerate gentleman.He will be sorely missed by his family,and all those privileged to have known him. He was a class act.Our sympathies to all of his family.

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**john and diana Mathany** - January 04, 2022 at 01:06 PM

BL

“ Sending our deepest sympathy to the DuChene family! May you find comfort in the wonderful memories of your Dad!

*Bev and Steve Lozon*



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**Bev and Steve Lozon** - January 04, 2022 at 12:48 PM

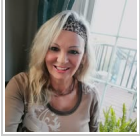
FR

“ So sorry for your loss.



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**Fab Van Raemdonck** - January 04, 2022 at 12:43 PM



“ *Deepest Sympathies to all the family. He was a great teacher and a very kind man. Synthia & Jayce Trembley*



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**Synthia Trembley** - January 04, 2022 at 11:53 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**John Wilmott** - January 04, 2022 at 11:40 AM



“ *Deepest sympathy for your loss, Bill's sense of humour was always such a delight .... never a dull moment. He will always be remembered with a smile. Sending hugs and love to Rachel, Nancy, Josh, Lauren and the rest of Bill's family.*



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**Mari Cole** - January 04, 2022 at 11:39 AM



“ *Frank Teahan lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene*



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**Frank Teahan** - January 04, 2022 at 11:30 AM

MM

“ So sorry for your loss. Your dad was a very kind man, always had time for conversation and a smile.

*Your in our thoughts*

*Mike & Janice MacKinnon and family*



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**Mike & Janice MacKinnon** - January 04, 2022 at 10:50 AM

TE

“ So sorry to hear this. May Bill rest in Peace. Please be assured of our thoughts and prayers.

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**Tim and Lisa English** - January 04, 2022 at 10:44 AM

PB

“ Deepest Sympathy to all of Bills family at this difficult time. May good memories carry you.



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**Patricia Baker** - January 04, 2022 at 10:43 AM

LB

“ Our condolences to Bills family and friends. Played basketball with Bill many years ago Phoebe was also a friend and worked at the store with us. A special lady Very sorry to hear of Bills passing. Too young!! A great guy from a great family Lance



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**Lance Babcock** - January 04, 2022 at 10:37 AM

CH

“ I am so very sorry to the Duchene Family. I loved having him as a teacher. He was an awesome teacher and was very helpful to me when I came back after being in a car accident. I graduated public school thanks to his help. I pray that the Lord will be with his family. May he also give them strength and wrap his loving arms around him.



Carol-Ann Howe - January 04, 2022 at 10:18 AM

BT

“ Sending heartfelt sympathy to the DuChene family.



Betty Tack - January 04, 2022 at 10:06 AM

GF

“ Our sincere condolences to the DuChene family



Gord, Michelle & family - January 04, 2022 at 09:57 AM

GH

“ so sorry for your loss and to the loss of the whole town. The name DuChene has been class in Wallaceburg and always will.  
Gayle and Austin Hockin

gayle and austin hockin - January 04, 2022 at 09:53 AM

DC

“ *Denise Childs lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene*



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**Denise Childs** - January 04, 2022 at 09:50 AM

RM

“ *Rob And Marie-France lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene*



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**Rob and Marie-France** - January 04, 2022 at 09:35 AM

BN

“ *Our sincere condolences go out to all of the Duchene Family. Bill was a wonderful, comical man to be around. God Bless and rest peacefully.  
Bill and Jennifer Nightingale.*

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**Bill Nightingale** - January 04, 2022 at 09:27 AM

KA

“ *Karen sent a virtual gift in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene*



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**Karen** - January 04, 2022 at 09:22 AM

KC

*Bill you were a one of a kind. Loved working with you over the years. Always a smile and a kind word for no matter what the situation. Rest In Peace.*

**Karen Corr** - January 04, 2022 at 09:30 AM

CM

*“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Bill and Carol babysat my son Trevor DeHaan and they were the best. Bill would always take Trevor out for a walk when he got home from work and Trevor adored him. I am sending you hugs and strength during this very difficult time.*



**Chrissy Mahu** - January 04, 2022 at 09:18 AM

DB

*“ We are thinking of you Josh, Lauren and family.*

**Doug & Cindy Babbitt** - January 04, 2022 at 09:18 AM



*“ Josh & Lauren and family so sorry for your loss & condolences to all your family!!*



**Beth Myers** - January 04, 2022 at 09:14 AM

TC

“ We will truly miss Bill. I loved how he always had a quick wit comment or a joke every time I would see him. He would always ask about my kids whenever I would run into him around Wallaceburg or at family reunions. Such a kind and gentle soul. He will be missed. My condolences. Tricia and John Crow.

Tricia Crow - January 04, 2022 at 08:58 AM

MA

“ Marlene Asselstine lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene



Marlene Asselstine - January 04, 2022 at 08:54 AM

DS

“ Condolences to the family , very sorry for your loss. I have known Bill since we started kindergarden at the old Central School.

Doug Steen - January 04, 2022 at 08:14 AM

GM

“ George McGaffey lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene



George McGaffey - January 04, 2022 at 08:06 AM



“ *Mr Duchene, the best teacher I ever had. A lot of people will talk about that one teacher that really inspired them. I had several thankfully. But Mr Duchene (never could bring myself to call him Bill even as an adult) was by miles that educator for me. Always encouraged me, pushed me to be better, developed in me a love for basketball that never went away and when I was out of line, he put me back in my place.*



*Love to his entire family and thank you for everything that Mr Duchene was.*

*Jeffrey Asselstine*

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**Jeffrey Asselstine** - January 04, 2022 at 07:53 AM

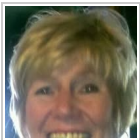


“ *I am truly so very sorry. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.*



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**Eddie and Tracy ( O'Brien) VanDamme** - January 04, 2022 at 07:53 AM



“ *Josh & Lauren & family so sorry for your loss - my sincere condolences to all your family!*



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**Beth Myers** - January 04, 2022 at 07:42 AM

JH

“ Josh, Lauren, Avery, Edison and the entire Duchene family, our sincerest condolences at this very difficult time

Jason and Tracy Hedden - January 04, 2022 at 06:35 AM

GF

“ Gerry Flynn lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene



Gerry Flynn - January 04, 2022 at 12:07 AM

PE

“ Bill I don't have the words to express the way I feel right now...you were like a brother to me. The years we worked together working with children. Rest now my brother....you will be missed.



Pete - January 03, 2022 at 10:13 PM

PJ

“ Pete And Jacinda lit a candle in memory of William 'Bill' DuChene



Pete and Jacinda - January 03, 2022 at 10:03 PM

PE

“ *Bill it is hard to put into words how I feel right now...you were like my bro. The years we worked together until your retirement were some of the best years I have had working with children. Rest now my brother...you will be missed.*



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**Pete** - January 03, 2022 at 09:56 PM

ED

“ *Josh- my sincerest sympathy for you and your family - know that lots of people have your back during this difficult time - Eleanor DeBresser*

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**Eleanor DeBresser** - January 03, 2022 at 09:53 PM

SE

“ *Bill was an amazing man with a heart of gold. I've been reflecting the last few days of him, and I remembered his cheesy grin to me as I was walking down the aisle. Made me laugh even though I was crying- which he was always able to make anyone do. He taught many students but shared his "wisdom" with the new teachers, like me. When I was struggling he would say you'll figure it out, and I did. I'm lucky to have spent time with him. Just tonight talking to one of our coworkers we were laughing about the jokes he would play or how he could keep up with the students during a staff/student game. He will be missed by his family and Rachel but keep talking and sharing stories about Bill, that's what he'd want. Sending lots of love to you all*

*Shannon, Paul, Rees and Carys Evans*

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**Shannon Handsor Evans** - January 03, 2022 at 09:40 PM

KC

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**Karen Corr** - January 03, 2022 at 09:18 PM

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**Karen Corr** - January 03, 2022 at 09:18 PM

CW

“ So many memories and so much laughter. I am reminded of the camping trips and many back yard ‘throw togethers’. It was a pleasure to share the years as our families grew. Once all the chicks had left the nests, the four of us were stuck playing ‘hink pink’ around the campfire. Rest In Peace.  
Love Colleen & Don Wadsworth

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**colleen wadsworth** - January 03, 2022 at 08:58 PM

PJ

“ My deepest sympathy to all of Bills family and many friends  
My three sons Ian Andrew and Mark were all lucky enough to have  
been taught by Bill at AA Wright. In recent years I have had the  
advantage of being invited to several family functions where he and  
Rachel always made me so welcome. Bill was always very funny  
and witty and was so loved by Rex and Tanner, they will miss their  
Peepa.

pamela Jeffs - January 03, 2022 at 08:39 PM

CD

“ Charlotte Day-Sands lit a candle in memory of  
William 'Bill' DuChene



Charlotte Day-Sands - January 03, 2022 at 08:39 PM

JB

“ My condolences to Rachel and the entire DuChene family. Bill was  
..... One of the best.

Judy Bachus - January 03, 2022 at 07:55 PM



“ Kim MacDonald lit a candle in memory of  
William 'Bill' DuChene



Kim MacDonald - January 03, 2022 at 07:08 PM



“ Sorry for your loss Josh and family Love Uncle Roland and Aunt Kate

Kate Raspburg Laprise - January 03, 2022 at 07:05 PM

LC

“ Nancy, my deepest sympathy on the loss of your brother Bill.

Lill Cragg - January 03, 2022 at 06:53 PM

MD

“ So many great memories of “younger” cousin Bill. From those Sundays at the island to reconnecting later in life. Deepest sympathy to Rachel, his siblings, children, grandchildren Mike and Sue DuChene

Mike DuChene - January 03, 2022 at 06:41 PM

GH

“ very sorry for the loss of Bill to his family and all of Wallaceburg. He always treated us with class and it was appreciated.

gayle and austin hockin - January 03, 2022 at 06:10 PM

DB

“ Dear Josh, Lauren and family,  
So sorry for your loss. May Bill RIP now. He will be remembered by many. X

Dave and Jackie Burnett - January 03, 2022 at 05:51 PM

MJ

“ Sincere condolences to all the family for your loss

Marlene Judson - January 03, 2022 at 05:35 PM