



## William Turner Armistead Jr.

June 11, 1931 - January 12, 2020

Bill Armistead, age 88, (beloved husband of Frances) of Bristow, VA, and previously, Berwyn Heights, MD, died on Sunday, January 12, 2020. He is a native of Washington, DC, served with the Air Force in Okinawa, Japan during the Korean War, and was a longtime employee of The Kiplinger Washington Editors. He loved to serve his fellow man whether at work, home, church, or in the community. He served on the town council and as Mayor of Berwyn Heights (1975-1995), and prior to this coached in little league, led the Cub Scouts, and was president of the PTA for Berwyn Heights Elementary School. He was an active member of the First United Methodist Church of Hyattsville, MD. He was a faithful Redskins season ticket holder for over 50 years and fan of all local sports teams. He enjoyed playing softball and basketball in the Berwyn Heights Men's League. After retirement, Bill and Frances relocated to Bristow, Virginia, where he became active in the Gainesville United Methodist Church, VA and within the Dunbarton community.

Bill was a dear husband to Frances for 62 years, loving father of Carol (Bob Lavoie), Paul (Barbara), Linda, and Donald (Carlene), and grandfather to Robert, David, Jennifer, and Melissa. He is survived by his sister Carolyn (Timmins) and is an uncle to many. He is predeceased by sisters Mary Ann (Harper) and Annalee (Brookes).

Funeral Arrangements: Visitation on Sunday, January 19, 3-5 pm, at Pierce Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas, VA. Service on Monday January 20, 11:00 am at Gainesville United Methodist, 13710 Milestone Court,

Gainesville, VA. Reception with light lunch following at Dunbarton Community Clubhouse, 9600 Craighill, Drive, Bristow, VA. Internment is at Quantico National Cemetery (private). In lieu of flowers, donations to the Alzheimer's Disease Research/ BrightFocus Foundation are appreciated. Details ([www.piercefh.com](http://www.piercefh.com)).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **19**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Pierce Funeral Home  
9609 Center St.  
Manassas, VA 20110  
(703) 257-6028  
pfh@piercefh.com  
<https://www.piercefh.com>

## Service

JAN **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Gainesville United Methodist Church  
13710 Milestone Court  
Gainesville, VA 20155

# Tribute Wall

SD

“ *Paul, Don and Linda,  
I am so very sorry for your loss. Knowing all of you, your father must  
have been a wonderful person. I hope you've had time to celebrate  
his life and have found solace in the joy of your memories of him.  
My sincerest condolences,  
Susie Dreier*

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**Susie Dreier** - January 22, 2020 at 05:02 PM

MB

“ *So sorry for your loss*

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**mary byrne** - January 19, 2020 at 02:44 PM

GF

“ *Guilford Families purchased the Peaceful White L  
ilies Basket for the family of William Turner  
Armistead Jr..*



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**Guilford Families** - January 19, 2020 at 09:24 AM

JM

“ To the Armistead Family,  
I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. His involvement with the Town of Berwyn Heights from coaching to Mayor, showed how he was extremely dedicated and loved the Town. He was a great guy, so easy to talk to. He played Men's League softball and seemed to love the camaraderie of just hanging out with all of us and having a beer. The Town is certainly a better place for all of Bill's hard work and dedication. I am proud to have known him and been able to enjoy time together with him. I want you to know that you have all of my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. May he rest easy and be at peace.

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**Jim McGinnis** - January 17, 2020 at 04:05 PM

EH

“ To The Armistead Family: The Halley family has great memories of their relationship with Bill and his family who were our neighbors in Berwyn Heights for over 40 years. Bill and Ed went to the Redskins home games together for almost 50 years. Our children were close and involved in a lot of the same activities. Frances and Mary Ann spent a lot of time together taking the children to the swimming pool in Greenbelt when they were young.

*We share your grief but know that Bill is now in God's care.*

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**Edward Halley** - January 17, 2020 at 04:04 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of William Turner Armistead Jr..



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January 16, 2020 at 08:08 PM

JS

“ *Bill and I worked for many years together at Kiplinger. He was in charge of operations and I was in charge of sales. We had to be in daily touch to coordinate the business my team was bringing in with Bill's production schedule. He always worked with us in a calm, professional manner that made everything run very smoothly.*

*He was always very honest, direct, and courteous in his communications with me. And he had a very engaging wit that made our encounters not only productive but fun as well.*

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**J.J. Smith** - January 16, 2020 at 12:03 PM

YG

“ *Your Girl Scout Family at GSCNC purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of William Turner Armistead Jr..*



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**Your Girl Scout Family at GSCNC** - January 16, 2020 at 11:00 AM

JE

“ *I visited with Uncle Bill in October when I attended a Hand Therapy conference in Washington D.C. Though he was frail, he still had that rapier wit and sense of humor! I am thankful to have had the time to see he and Aunt Frances. I wish the Armistead family my deepest sympathies. Cousin Jeanne*

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**jeanne** - January 15, 2020 at 10:24 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of William Turner Armistead Jr..*



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January 15, 2020 at 04:11 PM



“ *I grew up in Berwyn Heights where Mr. Armistead was very involved in our small community I went to school with his son Donald, my sincere condolences to his wife and children*



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**Paula Queen** - January 15, 2020 at 12:53 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of William Turner Armistead Jr..*



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January 15, 2020 at 09:10 AM



“ *I remember Mr. Armistead as a soft spoken gentleman, with a welcoming smile and a dry sense of humor. He loved his family, and enjoyed time at the beach. May your memories and love for him guide you through the days ahead - he will be with you always.*



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**Candice Davis** - January 14, 2020 at 10:17 PM