



William Thomas Hunt

October 6, 1938 - May 3, 2022

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William Thomas Hunt 83 of Haymarket, Virginia, passed away on May 03, 2022. Bill was born on October 06, 1938 in Haymarket, Virginia to the late Mary Hunt Chandler and Eppa Hunton Hunt.

Bill is survived by his wife of 62 years, Mary Ann Hunt of Haymarket, Virginia, his sister Brenda Smith and husband Jon Spittle of Manassas, Virginia, also surviving is his sister in law, Marion Sirk and husband Danny Sirk of Nokesville, Virginia and brother in law Bill Thayer and wife Jan Thayer of Culpeper, Virginia. He is also survived by his best friend and cousin, retired Army General Thomas Lightner of California.

After graduating from Osbourn High School as an outstanding football and baseball player, Bill joined the United States Air Force and served his country as a Military Police Officer in North Africa and other military installations. After receiving an honorable discharge he joined the Warrenton Town Police Department. After leaving the town police Bill was hired by the Prince William County Sheriff's Department in 1960 where he served until he joined the newly formed Prince William County Police Department as a Sergeant rising to the rank of Lieutenant and retired after serving 36 years in law enforcement. While with the Prince William County Police Department, Bill applied for and was accepted to attend the prestigious F.B.I. National Academy in Quantico, Virginia, where he graduated in 1973.

During Bill's retirement he enjoyed working security for the Paul Mellon Estate

in Upperville, Virginia.

He was a past member of Fairfax Rod and Gun Club in Manassas, Virginia where he enjoyed shooting Trap, skeet and pistols. Past member of the Gainesville-Haymarket Volunteer Fire Department. In 1968, he was chosen Policeman of The Year by the Manassas Kiwanis Club. Bill was also chosen, "Outstanding Young Police Officer", by the Greater Manassas Jaycees for 1971-1972. He was a past member of the Haymarket Town Council.

Graduated from the Northern Virginia Police Academy and was selected class President. He attended the Dade County Police Academy in Miami, Florida in 1959. As a Deputy Sheriff, he attended the Central Police Training School in Richmond, Virginia.

Bill and Adrian Lemmers were the first two promotions made by Chief George T. Owens, of the newly formed Prince William County Police Department from Sergeant to Lieutenant.

The family will receive visitors at Antioch Baptist Church, 16513 Waterfall Road, Haymarket, Virginia 20169 on Monday, May 09 at 11:00am, followed by a service celebrating Bill's life at 12:00pm, with Rev. Billy Tatum officiating. Burial will take place at Stonewall Memory Gardens located at 12004 Lee Highway, Manassas, Virginia 20109. After the service, friends are invited back to Antioch Baptist Church for refreshments.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Bill's memory may be made to the Middleburg Humane Foundation, P.O. Box 684, Marshall, Virginia 20116.

Cemetery Details

Stonewall Memory Gardens

12004 Lee Highway
Manassas, VA 20109
<http://www.stonewallmemorygardens.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Antioch Baptist Church
16513 Waterfall Road
Haymarket, VA 20169

Funeral Service

MAY 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I too was an original member of the PWCPD along with Bill. I remember some good times we had working together at one time. Bill was my Lieutenant, and I was the sergeant .I always respected him for his honesty, dedication to the job and how he treated and respected his fellow officers and supervisors. He was truly a policeman's POLICE OFFICER. may he rest in peace, he deserves it
Lt. J.C.Johnson (ret)

Lt.J.C.Johnson (ret) - May 07, 2022 at 03:19 PM

TJ

“ Toussaint Summers Jr lit a candle in memory of William Thomas Hunt



Toussaint Summers Jr - May 07, 2022 at 12:50 PM

WS

“ Lt. Hunt was a cops cop all the way through. He looked and acted the part and Hollywood would do well to copy his demeanor and personality. But Bill was a kind and gentle man and would sit and chat with you and he always had a smile and an infectious laugh. Being assigned to the old west end station at Bennett School I had the opportunity to work a lot with Bill and I am so glad I did. While I likely did not realize it at the time in my early years I later came to know how honored I have been to have worked with so many of the "originals" for the PWCPD. Heaven now has one of the best in their presence. Until we meet again Lt. Hunt.

Wayne Stewart - May 06, 2022 at 07:16 PM

JS

“ My deepest condolences go out to Bill's personal family and his extended law enforcement family. We have truly lost a great police officer, supervisor, mentor and friend. There are so many memories of the man who was feared (put on your hat, lose the glasses hanging off the pocket, shine those shoes, straighten out that belt and get rid of that AM radio you have hidden behind the seat), respected, and loved. You made us want to be our best because that was who you were and who knew we could be. Lieutenant Hunt you will be missed. Bill, my friend, I tip my hat to a life well lived. Mary Ann thank you for sharing Bill with all of us. We are grateful to have to have known him.

Jeanette J Smith - May 06, 2022 at 06:55 PM

DH

“ Lt. Hunt recruited me out of project transition at Ft. Belvoir and drove me around the county before I accepted. He was one of my supervisors and always treated me with respect and fairness. We did not see eye to eye on the hat thing but it was never held against me. I once told him on I95 that my hat had blown off, he didn't say anything until he went back to this car and passed mine. Smiling he yelled at me that someone must of found it and put it in the car. He then just kept walking and never said anything again about it.

Darrell Hartsock - May 06, 2022 at 06:47 PM

JR

“ *Brenda and Mary Ann,
I'm sorry for your loss. As I read about Billy's life, I discovered how much he gave to this world. What a great guy.
My favorite memory of Billy shows what kind of person he was. As teenagers in the '60s, Billy calmly pulled up behind us and asked what we were doing-(parking on a back road).
I was scared we'd be in big trouble, but Billy kindly told us to get on our way home.
Whew!
Mary Ann and Brenda, may you find peace and comfort now and in the days ahead.*

Jeanette Alvey Reynolds

Jeanette Reynolds - May 05, 2022 at 07:33 PM

DC

“ *Billy was a 3rd or 4th cousin to me my Grandmother was a Hunt from Oakton , Va.
I really never knew him , just heard alot about him. My Dad knew Billy from the Service Station. , I could of met him but don't remember him other then a Picture of him and what my dad said.*

Donald Cross - May 05, 2022 at 04:57 PM

JP

“ *So sorry to hear of Billy's passing. My father, John Gonzales, valued their friendship and that Billy's blood ran blue. His family and friends have lost a valued member of the community. Sharing your loss, Jo Ellen Peters*

Jo Ellen Peters - May 05, 2022 at 04:33 PM

JL

“ When you talk of law enforcement you talk of William "Billy" Hunt for more than 36 years as a Loyal, Trustful and Dedicated Prince William County Police Officer who worked his way up the ladder to Lieutenant. He loved his officers and PWC. I never saw him when he was not smiling and loved his job. A dear friend for so many years until we moved to Lake Anna and then to Surfside Beach S.C. for our final destination in life. We were blessed to of known his family as well and so many of his officers. We always had a true love for all PWC Police Officers, Detectives and Officers of the force. They are all great men who sacrifice so much for our safety, well-being and once home town for over 55 years we lived there. God Bless his wife and Family during this sad time, enjoy his memories and cherish him for all the effort and time he put in Law Enforcement all over the World and PWC. Many Prayers for his family and friends. Which we could attend but our health for both of us is not good enough to travel unfortunately. His Church was my first Church my sister and I went to and worshipped at 14 and 12 years old, WR Gossom drove us to Church every Sunday Morning when we lived in Hickory Grove, Virginia on his Dairy Farm. Again God Please Bless his Family and Friends Always. PWC and Manassas has lost another legend unfortunately. I always looked up to Him and Dave Cline as best of the best, Mark Fine, Jay Lanham, Joe Scalici, Wayne Stewart etc as young men who trained under these great two officers.

Jo and Lester Leonard - May 04, 2022 at 10:04 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Thomas Hunt.



May 04, 2022 at 05:41 PM