



William Gerald Lover

January 1, 1944 - October 1, 2023

Rev. Bill Lover died peacefully at home surrounded by his family on October 1, 2023. He was the beloved husband of Jackie Lover. They were long-time residents of Gainesville, VA. Bill was born in Buffalo, NY on January 1, 1944. He was predeceased by his parents George and Mildred Lover, his brother George Lover and his sister Marilyn Miller.

Bill is survived by his son, Andrew Lover and his wife Leontine, and their daughter Annalina. He is also survived by his daughter Cynthia Lover and her two sons Joshua and Zachary. Bill also has three step-daughters: Kristin Kahl, and her husband CJ Currier, Karen Mullen and her husband Shawn Mullen, and their two sons Aidan and Brady, Debbie Kahl, her wife Suzanna Smaldone and children Robert, Caitlin, Kira, and Kevin.

Bill graduated from Orchard Park High School in 1962, Muskingham University in 1966 and Princeton Seminary in 1969. He then completed a year of clinical Pastoral Education at the University of PA Medical Center.

During his 53 years as a Presbyterian Minister, he served Churches in MA, RI, CT, OH, and VA. He was always known as patient, faithful, and compassionate pastor. All who ever knew him gravitated to him to enjoy these qualities. He will be sorely missed!

Bill served the US Army Reserves as a Chaplain, retiring at the rank of LTC. During his 21 years of service, he was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for service above and beyond the Call of Duty.

His memorial service will be held at Greenwich Presbyterian church on October 14, 2023. Reception immediately to follow in the parish hall at the church following service at 11am. In lieu of flowers his family requests memorial gifts go to Greenwich Presbyterian Church.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **14**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Greenwich Presbyterian Church

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Tribute Wall

SW

“ My sincere condolences to Jackie and the entire family. Bill Lover was a kind soul and was an enthusiastic minister to us here at Warren Church. I will miss him, and never forget when he was going to pay me a pastoral visit one evening, and I absently put "Lover" on the calendar, and my paralegals laughing all day without me knowing why....

Stephanie Weaver - October 10, 2023 at 10:44 AM

JL

Stephanie you were always a gift to us. I miss his always. We just passed his second year. 🙏🙏🙏 I miss him so much. It's hard to believe he's been gone 2 years 😭😭👎

Jacqueline Lover - September 10, 2025 at 10:15 PM

JL

I know. Even my puppy can't believe he's gone. Much love. Jackie.

Jacqueline Lover - September 10, 2025 at 10:18 PM

JL

The most wonderful husband, e the very best minister for 53 years. God bless him

jacqueline Lover - October 15, 2025 at 11:21 PM

JL

This man is a wonderful man of the Cross.

jacqueline Lover - October 15, 2025 at 11:24 PM

JL

I love you Rev Bill Lover

jacqueline Lover - November 17, 2025 at 01:13 PM



God bless you. I love my wonderful man who loves us.

Jackie lover - December 01, 2025 at 08:45 PM



You were the most wonderful man who loves us all

Jackie lover - December 01, 2025 at 08:46 PM



If I can't do anything please help me praise my God 🙏🙏🙏💖

jacqueline Lover - December 16, 2025 at 01:42 AM



“ Bill& Jackie...like Brangelina and Jaylo...they just went together. Love this couple...now and always. Bill, i can still hear your voice... your soothing tone, your sense of humor, your laugh, your love for Jackie. How we enjoyed reading through” the book” (not the Bible) and reminiscing. Superbowl Sunday will ALWAYS remind me of you. And i know you are in Heaven. Jackie, my heart breaks for you as you learn to move forward. Sending whatever comfort the world can offer. Love you.

Mary - October 08, 2023 at 11:12 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of William Gerald Lover.

October 06, 2023 at 11:08 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of William Gerald Lover.*



October 06, 2023 at 11:08 PM



“ *One of the best times I ever had was spending an afternoon with Bill at the Cleveland Museum of Art...we had such fun together enjoying a shared interest in art and sculpture! Mike and I are grateful for our too short visits with Bill and Jackie in Connecticut and Virginia at their home, in Manassas, and a great visit in Williamsburg. Always a gracious host and husband of my friend of 43 years...you will be sorely missed Bill!*

We send our love, Selma and Mike

Selma Dooley - October 06, 2023 at 03:00 PM



Thank you Sel and Mike. He was the shining star of my life. Always doing whatever he could do. Autumn, our puppy, is missing him terribly. It's makes your heart hurt when you realize he isn't coming home! 😭

Jackie Lover - October 07, 2023 at 12:41 AM



“ *When I lost my husband, Dennis Moore (Jackie's brother), and on countless occasions before and since, Bill's counsel was always thoughtful, insightful, and empathetic. He was not only my brother-in-law but a trusted advisor on matters both big and small and in ways he may not have always realized. His passing leaves a big void in our family and I miss him already. In loving memory, Anne Moore*

Anne Moore - October 06, 2023 at 11:27 AM

JL

*Thank you Anne. You knew him so well. The loss of Dennis left a huge void in our hearts! I miss him to this day!
Losing Bill has just seared my heart. I appreciate your support. ❤️*

Jackie Lover - October 06, 2023 at 03:03 PM

AM

“ Anne Moore purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of William Gerald Lover.



Anne Moore - October 06, 2023 at 11:17 AM

KB

“ I will sorely miss our chats and visits as you were always so upbeat and positive! Always kind and understanding. May God now hold you in His loving and healing arms and that you are free from all your pain and suffering.
While there is happiness in Heaven, we still here have sorrowful tears for our loss of you - a wonderful human being!

Karen Brandt - October 05, 2023 at 12:23 PM

JL

Thank you Karen. He sure was a wonderful man. I'm so blessed to call him my husband!❤️

Jackie Lover - October 05, 2023 at 07:35 PM

BW

“ My best friend Bill Lover was a gentle giant of a man. He was a compassionate, thoughtful, and loving man of the cloth. Although he and I were friends during his latest 16 years, he endured many medical maladies that would have fully defeated the best of men. God now holds him in the palm of His hand in loving comfort, free from the pains of mortal men. Go in peace, Bill. You are well loved.

Bill Wengert - October 05, 2023 at 06:03 AM

JL

You sure knew him well. He's at peace after so much pain. I'm blessed to have been his wife and life partner. Thank you Lord. 🙏❤️

Jackie Lover - October 05, 2023 at 07:38 PM

PF

My prayers to you and know that he is in the arms of God. Safe and healed.

Pamela Frohwitter - October 07, 2023 at 07:59 AM