



## Billy Ray Williams

April 11, 1927 - July 6, 2012

BILLY RAY WILLIAMS

NEW HARMONY, INDIANA

Billy Ray Williams, 85, of New Harmony, Indiana, died Friday, July 6, 2012 at VNA Charlier Hospice Center, Evansville, Indiana. He was born April 11, 1927 to George Washington and Katie Marie (Faith) Williams in New Harmony, Indiana. He married Mary Essie Stein on February 2, 1946 and started farming that same year. From 1950 to 1974 they farmed for Baldwin Farms in Mt. Vernon, and in 1974 they bought their own place at New Harmony.

Billy Ray loved the earth and believed in soil conservation. In 1970, he was named Posey County Soil and Water Conservationist of the year. He served on the board of directors for Posey County Soil and water conservation, Posey County Farm Bureau CO-OP, Posey County 4-H Fair, Workingman's Institute and the Keck Gonnerman Antique Machinery Association.

He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers: Bobby Gene, Charles and Paul Williams; sisters: Iva Kemmerling, Jacie Robb, Evelyn Davis and Opal Wheeler; a daughter: Mary Hoffman and grandson: Robert (Bobby) Rogge.

Survivors include his wife, one son: William Chris (Billy) Williams; daughters: Sandra Vogel (Stanley), Susan Blackburn (Mike) and Jo Ann Russell (Rick); grandchildren: Scott Osborne, David Vogel, Michelle O'Connor, Byron Vogel, Melanie Wilkey, Natalie Vaughan, Mindy Rueger, Rachel Rogge and Eric Williams; step-granddaughter: Michelle Chamness and 15 great Grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, July 11, 2012 at Johnson United Methodist Church in New Harmony with burial in Maple Hill Cemetery. Reverend John Adams officiating. Visitation will be 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at Werry Funeral Home, New Harmony Chapel and from 10:00 am until service time Wednesday at the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Johnson United Methodist Church, 403 Raintree Street, PO Box 515, New Harmony, Indiana 47631.

Condolences may be made online at [www.werryfuneralhomes.com](http://www.werryfuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Maple Hill Cemetery

5890 Maple Hill Road  
New Harmony, IN 47631

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Werry Funeral Homes, Inc. (New Harmony)  
615 S Brewery  
New Harmony, IN 47631  
(812) 682-4261  
werryfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Visitation

JUL 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Johnson United Methodist Church  
403 Raintree  
New Harmony, IN 47631

## Service

JUL 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

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403 Raintree  
New Harmony, IN 47631



# Tribute Wall



“ *Billy Ray Williams*

October 06, 2023 at 09:05 AM



“ *Yellow & White Rose Fireside Basket was purchased for the family of Billy Ray Williams.*



July 10, 2012 at 07:55 AM



“ *So sorry to see this. Bill was a very nice man and will be missed by many.*

July 07, 2012 at 09:25 PM