



## **William “Bill” Lehman (June 5, 1935 – July 16, 2023)**

Bill went to be with the love of his life, Sonny, on Sunday, July 16, 2023, surrounded by his family and friends.

Most people knew him as Bill or Sarge, but everyone will remember him as hardworking, honest, loyal, and loving.

Bill was a Marine when he met and fell head over heels in love with Sonny. It was a love story that everyone should get to experience. They met and fell in love, got married at the age of 21 on August 21, he was assigned to service aircraft number 21 and he placed cremains of his beloved Sonny in her eternal resting place on May 21.

Bill was the “Rhinestone Cowboy” in our family gun show, The Texas Sharpshooters. Even though he was an excellent shot, Sonny was always there to back him up when he missed. He retired from NASA, had his own air conditioning company, was an amazing mechanic, there wasn’t anything he couldn’t fix.

When Sonny got sick with Alzheimer’s, he was there by her side till her last day on earth. Now he has been reunited with the only woman he ever loved.

Bill was very proud of his grandchildren and supported them in all they did. I loved sharing his stories with them and hearing about their accomplishments.

He is survived by his daughters Kim, Karen, and Brenda; grandchildren Joshua Ferguson, Brandon Faucett, Garrett Soto, and Kaylee Soto; brother-in-law Leroy Balkham; nieces and nephews Bryan Balkham, Tracy Balkham, Sue Maxwell and Michael Harmon.

Preceded in death by his wife Sonny, of 67 years, his parents William and Mary Lehman, aunt and uncle Mary and Robert Noel; sister Delores Balkham and sister-in-law Wanda Harmon.

Bill was an amazing husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. He will be missed dearly by all who knew him. He was one of the most amazing dads a daughter could ever be blessed with. He will truly be missed by everyone that had the pleasure of being his friend.

Services will be held on August 21, 2023, at 10:15 am at the Houston National Cemetery.

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