



## William Baudendistel

August 15, 1936 - December 25, 2021

William H. "Bill" Baudendistel, 85, of Indianapolis, entered the gates of Heaven on December 25, 2021. He was born on August 15, 1936, in Indianapolis and was raised by his late aunt Cecil Baudendistel.

Raised in the quaint, rustic neighborhood of Irvington, Bill proudly graduated from Howe High School with the class of 1956. He married the love of his life, Lois, on November 30, 1968, and the happy couple purchased their forever home on the southwest side of Indianapolis in late summer of '71. Bill secured employment with Diamond Chain as a jewelry designer, later retiring from Herff Jones in March of 2000. In his off time, he utterly enjoyed working as a "Yellow Shirt", for 50 years, at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, where he acquired his enthusiasm for racing.

A true man of faith Bill was a devoted member of the Good Shepherd Baptist Church, where he served as a Deacon for several years. One not to sit still, he was frequently found in his yard tending to the various fruit trees, ensuring his home, along with his yard, was immaculately kept. His weekends were spent on Geist Reservoir with his kids fishing, or taking them to various county fairs, Monster truck Jams, IMS, or any nearby track.

A truly gentle man, Bill was one of the most caring person you ever met. Although shy by nature, he would give the shirt off of his back if he thought

you needed it. He left an indelible mark on all who knew and loved him, and will be forever missed.

He leaves behind his loving wife Lois Ann (Jett) Baudendistel of Indianapolis; beloved children Dennis Baudendistel (wife, Heather) of Clayton, and Susan Smith (husband, Kenny) of Indianapolis.

Along with his aunt Cecil, Bill was preceded in death by his biological parents Harry Eugene and Mary (King) Baudendistel, and sister, Mary Geoghagan.

Funeral Arrangements have been entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. All services will be held at the Good Shepherd Baptist Church, 1150 St. Rd. 144, Mooresville, IN 46158. Friends and family may visit from 4:00 pm until 7:00 pm on Thursday, December 30. A Celebration of Life Service will begin promptly at 10:30 am on Friday, December 31, with an additional hour of calling held prior. Pastor Brandon Sighting will officiate, and burial will follow at Forest Lawn Memory Gardens. To share a favorite story, send an online condolence to the family, or light a candle in Bill's memory, please search @MonroviaFuneralHome on social media or visit his tribute page at [www.lightmemorial.com](http://www.lightmemorial.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Memory Gardens

1977 South State Road 135  
Greenwood, IN 46143

# Previous Events

## Friends & Family Gathering

DEC 30. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Good Shepherd Baptist Church  
1150 State Road 144  
Mooresville, IN 46158

## Additional Visitation

DEC 31. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

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## Celebration of Life Service

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# Tribute Wall



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**Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel** - December 30, 2021 at 11:53 AM



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**Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel** - December 29, 2021 at 03:48 PM



“ *Comfort & Light 30" Sonnet was purchased for the family of William Baudendistel.*



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December 29, 2021 at 10:27 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. I will miss speaking with him when seeing him when I was getting the mail or taking in the trash.*  
*Tom and Kim Arnold*

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**Kim Arnold** - December 28, 2021 at 01:54 PM



“ *Kenny and Susan so sorry to hear of your dad's passing.*



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**Barbara Smith** - December 27, 2021 at 08:36 PM



“ *Hurtis Geoghagan lit a candle in memory of William Baudendistel*



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**hurtis geoghagan** - December 27, 2021 at 07:38 PM