



Mark William Kasten

February 22, 1951 - January 24, 2023

MARK "BILL" WILLIAM KASTEN

Mark "Bill" William Kasten, 71, of Hallstead, PA entered into rest on January 24, 2023 after a long illness. He is survived by his beloved wife of almost 44 years, Sherry; by his daughters, Billie (Michael) Klecko and Erin (Matt) Smith; three grandchildren, Matthew Bednarchik, Teagan Smith, and Reilly Klecko; two brothers, Michael Kasten and James (Jan) Kasten; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by a step daughter, Tamarra Strawn; and his parents, Charles and Martha Kasten.

Will was a "Mountain Man" at heart. He was hired by the Pennsylvania Game Commission when he was 18 and retired after 35 years of service. He served as a Deputy Game Warden for 11 years. He owned a trapping supply business and was featured and honored at trapping conventions nationwide. Will was a member of the Pennsylvania Trapper's Association, and past President, The National Trapper's Association, The New Milford Rifle and Pistol Club, The NRA, and The Pennsylvania Federation of Sportsmen and Conservationists, and past officer. He was inducted into the Pennsylvania Trappers Hall of Fame in 2019. He dedicated much of his time teaching Hunter Education, specifically Trapper Education and Animal Identification. Outside of the class, he spent countless hours mentoring trappers and promoting the trade.

Will was a jokester, always smiling and laughing. He easily made friends and couldn't go anywhere without bumping into someone he knew. Will could

recall song lyrics from years ago easily to entertain anyone nearby. He was loyal, kind, and truly a gentle man. Will was simply the best and leaves behind a legacy, of which his family is extremely proud.

Friends are welcome to a celebration of his life which will be held on Saturday, January 28, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the Tuttle-Yeasley Funeral Home, Inc., Hallstead, PA. Private inurnment will be made in Franklin Hill Cemetery.

Friends may call from 10-1, at the funeral home, prior to the service.

Throughout his life, Bill supported St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 and The American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 6704, Hagerstown, MD 21741 and the family prefers memorial donations to them instead of flowers.

Cemetery Details

Franklin Hill Cemetery

Hallstead, PA

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 28. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Tuttle-Yeisley Funeral Home, Inc.
25 Susquehanna Ave.
P.O. Box 936
Hallstead, PA 18822
(570) 879-2287
ayeisley@gmail.com

Service

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Tribute Wall

YT

“ *Your Friends at Trapperman.com purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mark William Kasten.*



Your Friends at Trapperman.com - January 29, 2023 at 12:51 PM

DK

“ *im going to miss you will, you were a great trapper and i highly respected you , Don Kolebuk*

Don Kolebuk - January 27, 2023 at 09:50 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Mark William Kasten.*



January 27, 2023 at 02:06 PM

JA

“ *Sad to hear Of Bills Passing. loved to Come to His Shop And Talk Trappihg. Thanks Bill On Your Input And Just Plain Hospitality. My Condolences To All His Family. Jerry Avery*

Jerry Avery - January 27, 2023 at 12:59 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mark William Kasten.*



January 26, 2023 at 09:44 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mark William Kasten.*



January 26, 2023 at 08:59 PM



“ *Susan purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Mark William Kasten.*



Susan - January 26, 2023 at 05:14 PM



“ *Bill and I talk many times about trapping .I got many traps and supplies from Bill I even spent time in prayer He was a true believer in the Lord He helped me many times .I will miss him greatly no more suffering no more pain rest in peace my brother*

Tom Schwartz - January 26, 2023 at 03:27 PM

SC

“ Sterling Fur and Company purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mark William Kasten.



Sterling Fur and Company - January 26, 2023 at 01:36 PM

WW

“ I'll miss my old friend Bill and all the times we spent together at the trapper's school and get togethers. Rest In Peace.

Willie Wright - January 26, 2023 at 11:02 AM

MM

“ Bill was a great person. Always looked forward to talking with him at the trapper conventions. He gave my nephew some items at Neil Olsen's place and made the day for him. God bless.

Michael A. Mason - January 26, 2023 at 10:51 AM

JL

“ He always wanted to know how I was doing and where I had trapped

john Pingley Pingley's Professional Lure - January 25, 2023 at 08:51 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mark William Kasten.



January 25, 2023 at 06:47 AM

DS

“ Was an honor to have known Bill, aka Willie you were a mentor to many and a very special friend. You may have come to the end of your trap line, but the memories of you are eched into the souls of many. RIP. Mark



Dean M Demmer Sr. - January 25, 2023 at 06:16 AM

PD

He will be greatly missed. He had a heart of gold and always wore a smile. I had a great time when he came down and spent a week trapping with me. Rest in peace my friend.

Paul Dobbins - January 26, 2023 at 10:55 AM

MS

Bill told me that him and his brother attended the Woodstock music festival in 1969. Bill was not yet 18. He had some good stories. None of them had anything to do with the music.

*I will always know him as "Bill". He explained the name deal to me one time. It seemed too complicated. I liked him and was fine with Bill.
Mark Steck*

mark s steck - January 26, 2023 at 05:10 PM