



## Wilbur L. "Bill" Bailey

June 20, 1918 - September 5, 2012

Wilbur L. "Bill" Bailey, 94, passed away Wednesday in a local care home following a long illness. He was born in Petaluma and lived in Concord from 1934-1971 before finally settling in Benicia.

Bill was a U.S Army veteran of World War II from 1943-1945

He worked as a Supervisor for over 43 years for Coca Cola before retiring in 1980. He was a graduate of Mt. Diablo High School, Class of 1936. He built three homes and was instrumental in building Calvary Community Church. The church is now called The Gateway. He was an accomplished woodcarver, loved traveling and camping.

Bill is survived by Joan, his wife of 67 years, sons Richard Leland & Christopher Lynn Bailey, daughter Barbara Hoppe; brother Leonard Bailey; 7 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be held 4:00 p.m. Thursday at The Gateway, 1315 Military West with former Pastor Tom Crooks officiating. Inurnment will be private in Pacheco Pioneer Cemetery, Pacheco. Family prefers donations to Foster Kids of America, 4585 Pacheco Blvd., Suite 110, Martinez, CA 94553. Phone 925-228-0200

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“ Dear Joan and Family,  
We wanted to express our deep sorrow in the loss of your husband. When we immigrated from Argentina in 1964 with our daughter to the United States "Bill Bailey" was one of the first people we met and will always treasure the friendship and warmth shown by you and Bill. My husband Alberto (deceased) and myself were nephew and niece to Danny Ludwig.

Please know you are in our prayers in your time of need, find peace and solitude knowing Bill was a wonderful soul.

With the Lord's blessings,

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“ Dearest Joan and family, My father, Daniel Ludwig, was Bill's best friend. Mr. Bailey was such a loving, helpful, smart, funny man. When we first came to this country in 1956, Mr. Bailey was one of the first people we met. He helped us integrate into becoming U.S. Citizens. Both he and his wonderful and loving wife, Joan, will be forever in our debt because they loved us, helped us, and made many, many fond memories that I hold dear. (trips to Yosemite and other wonderful camping trips in nature, our first dog from one of their dog's litter pippi pooh, and many more wonderful experiences). I love Mr. Bailey and always will. The depth of my love is the same I hold for my father, Daniel Ludwig, and I will miss Mr. Bailey very much.

The loss of Mr. Bailey is profound. The world is a better place because of him.

Love,  
Doris Ludwig-Lake and family  
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