



## William Banks Alfred

May 12, 1933 - November 18, 2008

William Banks Alfred was born May 12, 1933, in Kalamazoo, MI. Bill slipped the surly bonds of his earthly home Nov. 18, 2008, put out his hand and touched the face of God. He grew up in Bloomingdale, MI, graduating from high school in 1951. He left Bloomingdale in 1952 to attend college in East Lansing. He married Dorothy Peters on March 6, 1954 in Allegan, MI. After graduating from Michigan State University in 1956, he taught and coached football and basketball in Burr Oak, MI. He left the field of education to become a manufacturing engineer. He worked in this field for the remainder of his career. He moved with his family to the City of DeWitt, MI in 1962 where they lived for 28 years. In 1990, he and his wife moved to an 80-acre farm east of Kendallville, IN. In 2008, they returned to the home in Bloomingdale where Bill grew up. Bill was a senior member of the society of Manufacturing Engineers, he served on the DeWitt Zoning Board of Appeals for many years, was a life member of the NRA, charter member of the Bloomingdale Conservation Club and served on the Bloomingdale Village Council. Bill was an inventor. He designed and built machines. He leaves his wife, Dorothy, and four children, Fred (Linda) Alfred of Ithaca, Pamela (Tom) Dickerson of Gobles, Bill (Carla) Alfred of Grand Rapids, and Heather Alfred Hill of South Haven; 14 grandchildren; and 5 great grandchildren. Also surviving is his sister, Joyce (Karl) Stone of Paw Paw. A memorial service and luncheon will be held at 2:00 PM Saturday, Nov. 22, 2008 at the Bloomingdale Christian Church, 208 E. Pine St. Bloomingdale, MI. Any contributions in Bill's name may be directed to Meadow Woods Nursing and Rehabilitation Center-Garden Fund. Arrangements by BLOOMINGDALE CHAPEL, D. L. Miller Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Service

NOV **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Bloomington Christian Church  
208 E. Pine  
Bloomington, MI

# Tribute Wall



“ I would like to express my sympathy to my colleague Bill and his family for your loss. My prayer is that you all would know and feel the peace and comfort of God as you grieve.##imported-begin##Bob McAnally##imported-end##

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