

Bil Spaude

November 4, 1939 - November 16, 2024

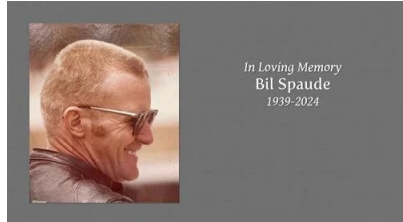
Bil Spaude, of Bushnell, Florida, passed away on November 16, 2024, at the age of 85. He was born on November 4, 1939, in McDonald, Pennsylvania, to William and Mary Alice Spaude. A man of boundless energy and vision, Bil dedicated much of his life to serving and uplifting others. In 2001, he founded the Sumter Youth Center in Bushnell and Wildwood, FL, and served as its President from its inception, tirelessly working to provide opportunities and support for local youth which still serves the community today. He also proudly served as Mayor of Bushnell from 2011 to 2023. Before moving to the Bushnell area, Bil served his apprenticeship in the Air Conditioning field eventually taking over RV Money, Inc. serving the St. Petersburg/Tampa area as a General Contractor. After which, turning that business over into the first Spiro Air Conditioning manufacturer in the SE of the US. This is the Air Conditioning tubed ductwork seen in most restaurants and shopping centers today. Bil was a passionate supporter of the Dixie Youth Travel Ball Team, and his enthusiasm for sports extended to his lifelong involvement in the go-kart racing community. Starting as a racer in the 1960s, he remained deeply engaged in the sport, cheering on and assisting his son, Tod, and grandson, Bret, as they carried on his legacy. Traveling across the country to races, Bil cherished the friendships and camaraderie he found in the go-karting world. Beyond his public service and hobbies, Bil enjoyed watching football, tackling real estate projects, and working on family endeavors. Known for his wisdom and willingness to lend an ear, he touched countless lives with his advice and

kindness. Bil is survived by his wife of 63 years, Sandy; his children, Tod Spaude (Gilley) of Bushnell, FL, and Amy Lyn Hambly (Pat) of Stonington, CT; his grandchildren, Rachel, Bret (Rebecca), Christy (Randall); and his great-grandchildren, Colin, Cooper, and Heidi. He is also survived by his sister, Mary Alice Gage (Tom) of Springhill, FL. He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Mary Alice Spaude, and his sister, Linda Spaude. Bil's life of service, love for family, and dedication to his community will not be forgotten. A visitation will be held at Purcell Chapel on Monday, December 16, 2024 from 4:00pm until 5:00pm and the service starting at 5:00pm. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.purcellfuneralhome.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home–Purcell Chapel, Bushnell, FL. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Sumter Youth Center in his honor, continuing his commitment to the children and families of Bushnell. <https://www.sumteryouth.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Bil Spaude*



Beyers Funeral Home - December 10, 2024 at 02:32 PM

CJ

“ *Carolyn Johnson lit a candle in memory of Bil Spaude*



Carolyn Johnson - December 18, 2024 at 11:06 AM

CJ

*Sandy, Mary Alice and family,
Sincere condolences on your loss.
Remember all the happy moments.
May Bil rest in peace.*

Carolyn Johnson - December 18, 2024 at 11:10 AM

CJ

“ *Carolyn Johnson lit a candle in memory of Bil Spaude*



Carolyn Johnson - December 18, 2024 at 11:02 AM

DZ

“ *My heartfelt sympathy to all of Bil's family. May you find comfort in all the wonderful memories he has left behind. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

Denise Zarzycki - December 12, 2024 at 06:53 PM

SH

“ *Sharon Hale lit a candle in memory of Bil Spaude*



Sharon Hale - December 06, 2024 at 04:39 PM

GE

Wow! I'm so sorry for the loss of Bil, some of the best times letting was with him at the Daytona Nations a Christmas time. george spicer

george.spicer - December 06, 2024 at 05:11 PM

BB

Bill visited me in the hospital @Daytona,what a treat,never spoke that much @ the races,We will all miss him.

bill bernet - December 06, 2024 at 05:18 PM

PP

Bil was a great man we will miss him God bless the family

Pam Porter - December 16, 2024 at 08:40 AM