



## John William Crull

October 4, 1938 - June 4, 2016

### Obituary of John William Crull

John William "Bill" Crull, age 77, passed away peacefully in his sleep at his home in The Villages on Saturday June 4, 2016. He was born October 4, 1938 in St. Louis, MO, the beloved son of Catherine Crull. On August, 10 1963 he married Sandra Doza. Bill was a lifelong salesman, a trade he learned at 9 years old selling newspapers on "Hospital Row" in St. Louis, and perfected with 40 years in food service sales. His support for high school sports in Cincinnati Ohio was legendary through eight years as a board member of the Northwest HS Booster Association (two as president), a record 25 years on the varsity football "chain gang", plus numerous awards & recognition. Bill is survived by Sandy, his wife of 52 years, his son Kevin (Debbie), daughter Kelly, grandchildren Matthew & Sarah, and sister Rose Morrison. He enjoyed golf and loved his many friends and his active life in The Villages. Services will be held on Saturday, June 18 at 10am at Grace Anglican Church at 4971 E. CR462, Wildwood, FL. Burial will occur at a future date at Florida National Cemetery in honor of Bill's service in the United States Navy. Bill was a founding member of Grace Anglican Church, where he also served as an Acolyte. He loved seeing Father Wayne's vision come to life. He would want donations made to Grace Anglican Church in lieu of flowers.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Lady Lake,  
FL Online condolences may be left at [www.BeyersFuneralHome.com](http://www.BeyersFuneralHome.com)

# Tribute Wall

BD

“ Sandy, Kevin, and Kelly I was saddened to learn just this morning of Bill's death. What a privilege to have you all as neighbors on Galloway for quite a few years! As July 4th approaches, so do memories of fireworks and fun on our street! Bill's passion for a well cared for yard rubbed off on Jeff Piper and me, and we both still are diligent about our yards....i even won the best yard judging in the Farms one year, and I owe that to Bill and the pattern he taught me! I also remember his passion for Northwest sports, and he'd like to know that the Knights sports are very much alive and well. A special thanks goes to Bill and other boosters who worked so hard during some lean times! I am retired as a principal and am now one of the pastors at Springdale Church of the Nazarene. I enjoyed reading of Bill's love for his church there in Florida. Please know that Becky and I will remember your family...especially Sandy... in our thoughts and prayers as you adjust to Bill's absence. An old hymn says "...Be not dismayed whate'er betide; God will take care of you."

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**Bill Duke** - June 30, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ It was a privilege to enjoy being neighbors with you all on Galloway Court, to celebrate holidays and fireworks, and to learn about yardcare from Bill!! He set a high bar in yardcare, and I learned much from him! He gave alot the Northwest athletics; he would be proud of the Knights, now. Very competitive! Sandy, Kevin, and Kelly...you are in the thoughts and prayers of Becky and me as you adjust to Bill's passing. An old hymn say, "Be not dismayed whate'r betide; God will take csre of you."

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**Bill Duke** - June 30, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Beneath that sometimes gruff exterior was a man with a kind and generous heart. His first priority was always his family. He had a sparkle in his eyes when he spoke of his grandchildren with overwhelming love and pride. I will always remember fondly the times we had on our Myrtle Beach golf week ends every November. Words fail me now, but I do know that heaven has another angel who, at this very moment, is explaining the many nuances of the NFL to whomever will listen. His sports knowledge was second to none. Sandy, Kevin (and family), and Kelley, we share in your grief. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this very difficult time.  
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**Terry Gill** - June 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *John William Crull*

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**Seanna Murphy & Boys** - June 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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**Seanna Murphy & Boys** - June 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ *Bill was truly a memorable guy. He was an expert in the field of foodservice and contributed immensely to the success of our company. Bill was a friend as well as a co-worker and his influence has been and will continue to be long lasting.*

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**Tom Koeninger** - June 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *Just don't know the right words to say at this sad time. Even though Bill is gone he will always be remembered and cherished for the memories he left. Bill lived life well and we enjoyed knowing him. Cherish those 52 years you had with Bill, Sandy and know that he is watching over you and your family. God Bless you and we will keep you and your family in our thoughts and prayers always. Jim and Jan Jauch*

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**Jim and Jan Jauch** - June 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *Sandy and Family Please be consoled by our thoughts and prayers. We remember Bill in the good old days back in Cincinnati. What a golfer! Best wishes for good health and comfort.*

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**Dee and Dave Greulich** - June 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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**Liz Kiley** - June 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DM

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**Debbie & Clarence Messervey** - June 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DM

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**Debbie & Clarence Messervey** - June 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Sandy, Kevin and Kelly and extended family....my heart is filled with great memories of Bill. He made such an impact on my life and so many others....the world is a better place because of him! You are all in my prayers. Liz Kiley

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**Liz Kiley** - June 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ John William Crull

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**Liz Kiley** - June 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Sandy, Kevin & family and Kelly; Sorry we are in Canada and unable to offer personal condolences to each of you. As you grieve, know that we are thinking of you and honoring the memory of Bill. We will miss his smiles. Hugs and God Bless, Clarence and Deb Messervey

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**Clarence and Debbie Messervey** - June 09, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Crull family. My family and I were the next door neighbor on Galloway. I remember helping Bill with the yard work when I was a young kid. He was great man and he will be missed.

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**Brandon Neal** - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TH

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**Terry Hensley** - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ It still hasn't sunk in that one of the greatest men to ever be a part of my life, and the lives of many others, has passed away. My grandfather was one of the most compassionate, dedicated, determined, and funny people I have ever had the blessing of knowing. He has helped shape who I am so much, and has been one of my biggest role models for my entire life. That aside, he was also one of my best friends. I'll never forget all the stop signs he missed driving me to morning practice, or the time he spent watching me swim back and forth, yelling at me to stop being a wimp and swim even more. I'll never forget his jokes, advice on girls (which never seemed to work), and advice on life (which always worked out a lot better than the girl advice). Please pray for my family, and the friends of my Grandfather as they deal with this loss. I love you so much, bub. I'll always miss you. I hope you're up there talking circles around anybody who will listen.

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**Matt Crull** - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SV

“ Sandy: Mark and I were shocked to hear of Bill's passing. May God grant you, Kevin and the rest of your family peace a this time knowing that he is forever in heaven among the most beautiful courses in the Universe. Our love and prayers to at this time.

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**Sue Viox** - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ Bill was a super special person and I feel honored to have known him. It is only in the last year that I really got to know Bill and see the warm kind person under his sometimes "gruff" exterior. I will deeply miss him and never forget how blessed we were to have him be part of our lives. God has a new angel and we are missing one.

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**PENNY WINDSOR** - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

ED

“ I'd like to express my deepest condolences. I am so very sorry for your loss.

Edward Dillon - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ I am so very sorry for your loss Sandy. May God comfort you and your family during this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Melody Garcia - June 08, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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Lalah - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ May the light of God guide you and keep you always.###GESTURE###

Rev. R. Wayne Ogg - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RO

“ We have lost a sheep of God's flock. I was blessed by my time spent with Bill. I got to see him as loving husband always worried about his true love and bride of 52 years. I got to see him as father and best friend to his son. I got to see him loving his daughter in law and thankful for all she has given him. I got to see him as a caring father deeply concerned for the welfare of his daughter. I got to see him as a gentle loving grandfather to Matthew and Sarah. I have not met many people who could decide what needed to be done and then drive toward accomplishing something the way Bill could. I will forever be aware of the salt in my daily diet thanks to the education Bill gave me. I will miss all these things and many more. An angel has joined the company of heaven and he will be looking down on all of us. We will feel his presence now and in the future. Sandy, Kevin, Debbie, Kelly, Matthew and Sarah may the Holy Spirit and the grace of God be with you in the days ahead.

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**Rev. R. Wayne Ogg** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ Dear Sandy and family, We were saddened to learn of Bill's passing. We still remember our friends cruise together, and i always remember joking with Bill on the golf course. Our prayers are with you. May Bill rest in peace

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**Tony and Betty Cobb** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ My dearest friend Sandy. There are no words that can give you comfort at this time, only the loving memories you will cherish forever. Keep family close and know that I am thinking of you and your family. Time is the only thing that will help you through this. I know that is cliché but it is true. Love and prayers, Sue Ann Morrison

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**Sue Ann Morrison** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ *Bill was an inspiration to me. He had a wonderful sense of humor and could lighten the atmosphere when things got a bit tense. When I felt a little down, he could stop my self pity with a wink or the perfect comment. We will all miss him, but I think I will miss him the most. Rest in Peace dear Bill.*

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**Lalah Tillinghast** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RO

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**Rev. R. Wayne Ogg** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ *Dear Kevin, Debbie, Matt & Sarah, I'm so sorry for your loss. May memories of happier times get you through these very difficult times. Thinking of you and your family. Laura Lee & Family*

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**Laura Lee** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ *For our candle lighter*

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**Lalah** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Bill was a stalwart founding member of Grace Anglican Church. That's where I first met him and his wife, Sandy. He brought his dry sense of humor and speaking looks to our church services. Most importantly, his pragmatic and focused outlook kept every on the straight and narrow! Plus, he had lots of good marketing ideas which we are implementing. I will particularly miss his serving with Father Wayne. It seems strange to see that vacant space on the right side of the altar. However, now I like to think that he is helping us at God's elbow! With love and respect, Dana Sauro

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**Mary Dana Sauro** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Sandy and family, We are so sorry for your loss. Bill was a dear friend and we will miss him very much. His laughfter and ornery grin was a memory we will always keep in our hearts.

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**Mel and Dorene** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ So glad to have had the chance to get to know Bill. He was a man with a big heart and he loved his family dearly. My deepest sympathy to Sandy, Kevin and family and Kelly. Find strength in your faith and joy in your memories. Bill is smiling down on all of you.

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**Joyce wimmer** - June 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KC

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**Kevin Crull** - June 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Both Terry and I are are sorry to hear the news. Terry spoke many times of his memories with Bill especially when Bill and Sandy visited his home in The Villages and then Bill and Sandy built their home there. Also the many trips to Myrtle Beach at their annual golf outing. After moving to Ocala Terry still try's to join Bill and his friends for their weekly Thursday dinners at least once a month. He will be missed. God Bless Sandy and his family... Judy Gill

Judy Gill - June 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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Kevin - June 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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