



## William "Bill" Devine

April 7, 1950 - June 9, 2026

William Arnold Devine, age 76, passed away on June 9, 2026, in Houston, Texas. He was born on April 7, 1950, in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Bill proudly served his country with the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War, attaining the rank of Lance Corporal. His courage and sacrifice were recognized with two Purple Hearts. The discipline and resilience he carried from his service stayed with him throughout his life.

Bill was a natural entrepreneur and business owner, and at heart, he was always a salesman. He genuinely loved the people he worked with, and the relationships he built with his customers meant as much to him as the business itself.

Outside of work, Bill was happiest outdoors. He loved fishing, camping, and bicycling, and sitting on his patio watching the Astros while listening to the blues.

Bill is survived by his wife, Karen LaVelle; his daughters, Allison McMillan (Jeff) and Ava Williams (Travis); his grandchildren, Dylan McMillan, Holly McMillan, and Austin Williams; his sisters, Marianne Trojan (Harold), Cher Johnson (R.D.), Mo Smith (Darrell), and Eilleen Devine (Jan Chappell); his sister-in-law Darlene Devine; and many loving nieces, nephews and

expended family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas Devine and Lutrecia Jones Devine; his brothers, Thomas Devine, Stephen Devine, and Charles Devine; and his son, William Aaron Devine.

Bill will be remembered for his independent spirit. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

A graveside service with military honors will be held on Friday, July 24, 2026, at 11:30 a.m. at Houston National Cemetery, 10410 Veterans Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77038. A visitation will follow from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Dettling Funeral Home, 14094 Memorial Drive, Houston, TX 77079.

In lieu of flowers, the family invites memorial donations to a veteran's charity or organization meaningful to Bill's memory, such as [vfw.org](http://vfw.org) and [k9sforwarriors.org](http://k9sforwarriors.org).

# Upcoming Events

## Graveside Service

JUL 24. 11:30 AM (CT)

VA Houston National Cemetery  
10410 Veterans Memorial Drive  
Houston, TX 77038-1502  
<http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/houston.asp>

## Visitation

JUL 24. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Dettling Funeral Home  
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