



## William Martin Haglund

August 26, 1949 - February 5, 2026

William Martin “Bill” Haglund, DVM passed away on Thursday, February 5, 2026. Bill was born on August 26, 1949, in Galveston, Texas. He was the son of Harold Albert “Al” Haglund and Dorothy Nelson Haglund. After graduating from Kirwin High School in 1966, Bill attended Texas A&M University, where he received his veterinary degree in 1971. He practiced at the Animal Clinic in Galveston until 1975, at which time he helped establish Echo Lane Animal Clinic in Houston. He later sold the clinic to Dr. Allison Dees, a respected veterinarian whom he gladly left to carry on the legacy that he began.

His professional activities included membership in the AVMA, TVMA and Harris County VMA, for which he served as treasurer for many years. He also served as a member of the Spring Branch Independent School District Board of Trustees, the SBISD Career and Technology Education Advisory Board, and the Westwick Homeowners Association and Spring Manor Townhome Association Boards of Directors.

The proudest moments of Bill’s life involved his service through Rotary. He was a member of the Rotary Club of Memorial-Spring Branch and the board of Memorial-Spring Branch Rotary Charities, Inc. As such, Bill was active in many activities at both the club and district levels. He was a Major Donor, Bequest Society Member, Polio Plus Society member, and was named District 5890 Rotarian of the Year twice. His favorite projects were those that involved

helping children, and he always tried to live by the Four-Way Test and to keep in mind the motto of Rotary, "Service Above Self."

Bill is preceded in death by both of his parents and his sister, Connie Sue Haglund. He is survived by his daughter, Lisa Marie Haglund, whom he loved very much. Lisa would like to thank Bill's many family and friends from the past and present, who always meant so much to him; the many physicians, nurses, and other providers, who helped Bill as much as possible; his caregivers, who tended to Bill's every need when in his company; Linda Haglund, Bill's ex-wife who constantly showed support for him and who has always been there for Lisa; and Sheila Franklin, Bill's partner and constant companion who answered the call for help repeatedly and showed compassion for him until his final day.

Contributions in his memory and honor may be made to the charity of your choice.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Mass

MAR 5. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. John Vianney Catholic Church  
625 Nottingham Oaks Trail  
Houston, TX 77079  
(281) 497-1500

## Reception to Follow Service

MAR 5. 11:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

LG

“*Dr. Haglund was my family vet going back to at least 1985. That is at least 40 years and nine dogs ago. What a wonderful surprise that he was the president of the Homeowner’s Association where our new home was built in 1990.*

*He always made vet visits so pleasant, asking me how the “hood” was or if I had taken any recent trips with our church.*

*I will never forget the hearing test for my dog Boo that involved him and the vet tech clapping. “Yep, deaf as a doornail!” There was no charge for that hearing test. Or, the time I was worried about my dog gaining weight. He came and sat beside me in the lobby, like it was going to be so serious. He said my dog did not have a thyroid issue, but her mamma was feeding her too much!*

*Years ago, he told me I could call him Bill, but I just never could. Maybe it was my way of showing respect. I always looked forward to those vet visits and fondly remember always leaving with a smile. You are missed Dr. Haglund!*

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**Laura Gardner** - March 08 at 12:17 PM

EA

“*everyone at All-in-One Academics purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of William Martin Haglund.*



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**everyone at All-in-One Academics** - March 04 at 09:08 PM

KP

“ Dr. Haglund had such a kind demeanor. When our lab passed away, I received a letter in the mail from A&M that Dr. H made a donation in Sammy's name. What a thoughtful and touching gesture. Always so nice to see his warm, welcoming face at our visit to the vet. Health issue or not, Dr. H. continued to smile, share his positive outlook on life and ask about how MY life was going. Truly a beautiful soul and will be greatly missed...May his memory be eternal.

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**Kathy Pappas** - March 04 at 02:40 PM

KR

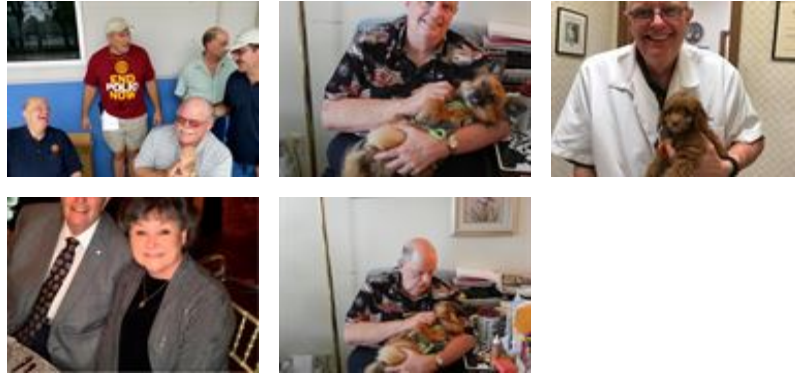
“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Lisa and all who knew this wonderful man. We first met Bill when he played handball. Joe Reed and I met so many good forever friends during that time. He introduced himself and said he was a veterinarian and I said we have four dogs. A life long friendship grew. I was excited to send him a text recently telling him our grandson was accepted to Texas A&M. I hope he knows that Keegan chose that college. Our family will cherish our treasured memories of Bill. He will be missed.  
Joe and Karen Reed

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**Karen Reed** - March 04 at 09:50 AM



“ 116 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Detting Funeral Home** - March 03 at 05:22 PM

DL

“ *Bill was one year ahead of me in vet school. we often play handball instead of studying. Bill was a wonderful friend and committed to his calling as a veterinarian. He served as the Treasurer of the Harris County Veterinary Association for years. He was also dedicated to the Stratford FFA Livestock Program. I will miss my long-time friend who made life better for so many of his friends and colleagues. Dr Dale and Yolanda Lonsford*

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**Dale Lonsford** - February 18 at 10:22 PM

ML

“ *Dr Bill was my vet and friend for many years. Even after I moved north, he was always available to answer questions or meet for lunch when we were in town. We will remember Bill and family in our prayers and send our condolences. We lost a great guy.*

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**Mary Lesmeister** - February 16 at 06:12 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of William Martin Haglund.*



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February 14 at 12:14 PM



“ *Bill was such a kind and compassionate person. When I was asked to chair the Rotary District Conference, Bill guided me throughout , always there to lend a hand with a smile . Your wisdom will be missed.*

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**Kippy Caraway** - February 14 at 09:38 AM



“ *Bill and I were on the Spring Branch Career and Technology Board for decades, lived every minute of it with our wonderful friends including everyone who worked at SBISD Career and Technology Center, and the wonderful people who served on the board. He was very dear friend and will be greatly missed. Love ya*

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**Michelle Hollander** - February 14 at 08:41 AM

LK

“ Bill and I were veterinary school classmates graduating in 1971. He was the youngest member of our class of 128. Bill was an excellent and compassionate practitioner. He was a dedicated member and officer of the HCVMA (Harris County Veterinary Medical Association) and served as Treasurer for many years. Bill loved Texas A&M football, had season tickets and attended games for many years. Our families got together for many years at an annual Christmas party , and Bill loved the seafood gumbo and especially the buttered shrimp. He was a caring, sincere, honest, fun person and a dear friend. We will miss him very much.

Larry Kornegay - February 13 at 07:41 PM

CD

“ Bill was the sweetest person. I remember him from high school and he often returned to our reunions.

Always respectful and a gentleman. Not many around like him. RIP MY FRIEND.



Camille Downes - February 13 at 04:28 PM

KS

“ Bill was my Vet since 1970's at Echo Lane Animal Clinic with Robert Davidson. He was a kind man always asking about my family. I saw him not too long ago with my pets and always had time to visit. He was a great vet "One in a Million" and will be missed. Sending prayers and peace to his family.

Kathy Smith



Kathy Smith - February 13 at 04:12 PM

RB

“ *Bill and I were friends beginning at St. Patrick's through Kirwin High School class of 1966. He was always the smartest guy in our classrooms ! A great guy who was the epitome of a gentleman and a Rotarian. Rest in peace Bill. Sonny-Bob Van Borssum.*

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**Robert H Van Borssum** - February 13 at 01:56 PM

JB

“ *Bill, you were a fine gentleman. I have great memories of you from our years at Kirwin. You lived a life in the service of others. May you rest in peace. JB*

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**John R. Bockelman** - February 13 at 01:37 AM

SS

“ *Susan Gould Salisbury purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of William Martin Haglund.*



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**Susan Gould Salisbury** - February 12 at 06:29 PM