



William F. Braatz

April 22, 1939 - January 25, 2025

Finally... my name is in the newspaper! William (Bill) F. Braatz, 85, son of Melvin and Frances (Kuhlman) Braatz, passed away on Saturday, January 25, 2025, at Kingston Care Center, Sylvania. He was born on April 22, 1939, in Toledo.

Bill graduated from McKinley Grade School, Macomber High School (1957), earned a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering degree from the University of Toledo (1962), and he was a Professional Engineer. In June 1964, he married his high school sweetheart, Joann (Puccetti).

From paperboy to electrical engineer, Bill worked at Campbell DeBoe and Associates, SFT, and retired from SSOE 2012. He was a true jack-of-all-trades, able to make and build just about anything.

A passionate camper and boater, Bill was a lifetime member of the River View Yacht Club. He enjoyed spending time on the water, cherished the outdoors, and most of all, loved his family dearly. Bill's greatest joy was watching his "Dolly" excel in her activities, a constant source of pride and happiness. Bill would do anything for anyone, always putting others before himself.

Bill is survived by his wife, Joann; son, Scott (Lynn Langlois); granddaughter, Victoria (his Dolly); brother, Don; sister, Marilyn Williams; brother-in-law,

Albert Puccetti; and sister-in law, Theresa Langenderfer; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his son, James; parents; in-laws, Albert and Edith Puccetti; sister-in-laws, Joan (Gonia) Braatz and Margaret (Kravetsky) Puccetti; and brother-in-laws, Terrance Williams, John Langenderfer and Gary Warnke.

Family and friends are invited to visit at Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 W. Sylvania, on Thursday, January 30, 2025, from 3:00pm – 8:00pm and Friday, January 31, 2025, from 9:30am – 10:30am at Christ the King Church where a funeral Mass will begin at 10:30am. Burial will follow at Toledo Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Christ the King Church, St. Francis de Sales High School, St. Ursula Academy, or Hospice of NW Ohio.

Cemetery Details

Toledo Memorial Park

6382 Monroe Street
Sylvania, OH 43560

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 30. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ansberg-West Funeral Home
3000 W. Sylvania Ave
Toledo, OH 43613

Visitation

JAN 31. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Christ the King Catholic Church
4100 Harvest Ln
Toledo, OH 43623

Mass of the Resurrection

JAN 31. 10:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Joann,
I had the privilege of working in the Electrical Department for Bill for about 20 years at both Campbell Deboe and SFT. I left to go to another firm but seem to think of SFT as the best of times. Joann, you were always wonderful too. I deeply regret I was unable to attend the Funeral. Greg Chipps

Greg Chipps - January 31, 2025 at 02:32 PM

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“ We are so sorry to hear about Bill. The two of you made us feel so welcome at RVYC and were always willing to help. Always loved talking to you both.
*Sincerely,
Dennis & Beth Bonk*

Beth Bonk - January 30, 2025 at 01:10 PM

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“ Joann, I am so sorry for your loss. It was a privilege to meet you & Bill at Kingston when my husband was a resident there. I wish we had met years ago, Gary & I both felt that way from the time we met. You are in my heart & prayers. We will get together one day, I look forward to it.
Karen Herren

Karen Herren - January 27, 2025 at 11:39 PM



“ *A sympathy card was purchased for the family of William F. Braatz.*



January 27, 2025 at 07:04 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss aunt Joanne and Scott. I have so many great memories of uncle Willie is one of my favorite uncles.*

Kelli Garn - January 27, 2025 at 06:50 PM