



## William J. (Bill) Lawless

November 4, 1939 - July 1, 2024

William J. (Bill) Lawless, 84, passed away July 1, 2024 at St. Dominic Hospital in Jackson. Visitation will be Monday, July 8, from 12pm-2pm at Stringer Family Funeral Home in Crystal Springs. Funeral will be 2pm Monday at Stringer Family Chapel with burial at Old Crystal Springs Cemetery.

Mr. Lawless was born November 4, 1939 on the family farm to William and Lucy Lawless where he grew up hunting and searching for arrowheads. He graduated from Crystal Springs High School and Hinds Community College, where he met his wife in 1961. He and his wife, Betty Kinard Lawless, were married in 1962. Soon after he joined the US Navy and was sent to Basic Training at Great Lakes Training Academy in Illinois. While in the Navy, he served in Japan and the Philippines where he enjoyed filming with his 8mm camera. In 1964 he joined the Jackson Police Department and served there until his retirement in 1988.

Bill was a student of American history, especially WWII history because of his connection through his brothers, James Lawless and Gerald Lawless, who preceded him in death, James Lawless and Gerald Lawless. He enjoyed photography, military air shows, fishing, cooking out and visiting Rocky Springs Campground with his family. He was very proud of his grandson and his chosen profession in Physical Therapy. Mr. Lawless was a member of First Baptist Church, Crystal Springs.

Survivors include son, Tim Lawless and wife Wendy Lawless of Brandon, MS; grandson, Wesley Lawless and wife Erika Clark Lawless of Bowling Green, KY; favorite sister-in-law, Rosie Kinard; niece, Judy Kinard; special family members Lewis and Jerry Horton; and cousin, Don Taylor of Crystal Springs.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 8. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Stringer Family Funeral Home - Crystal Springs  
PO Box 431  
26141 Hwy 27  
Crystal Springs, MS 39059  
(601) 892-1521  
stringerfuneral@bellsouth.net

## Funeral Service

JUL 8. 2:00 PM (CT)

Stringer Family Funeral Home - Crystal Springs  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Stringer Family Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of William J. (Bill) Lawless*



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**Stringer Family Funeral Service** - July 02, 2024 at 08:45 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of William J. (Bill) Lawless.*



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July 06, 2024 at 11:18 AM



“ *Doug, Cathy, Corey, & Haydn purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of William J. (Bill) Lawless.*



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**Doug, Cathy, Corey, & Haydn** - July 05, 2024 at 05:16 PM

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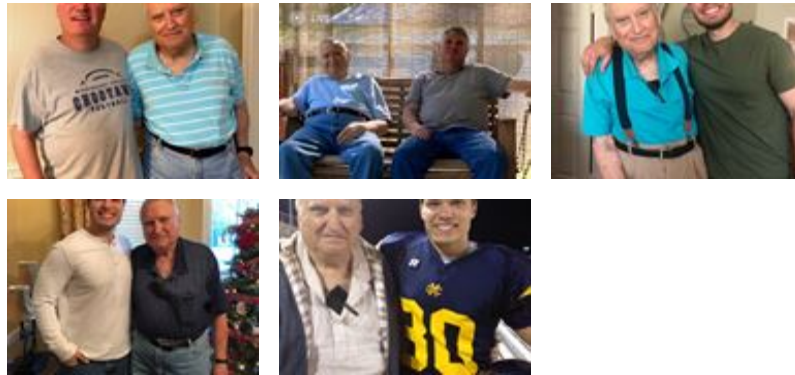
“ Jimmy & Amanda Shaw (&kids) purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of William J. (Bill) Lawless.



Jimmy & Amanda Shaw (&kids) - July 05, 2024 at 05:07 PM



“ 19 files added to the album Life Tributes



Stringer Family Funeral Service - July 05, 2024 at 10:37 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William J. (Bill) Lawless.



July 03, 2024 at 08:51 PM

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“ Bill Lawless was a very good guy. I am thankful that he and I were friends from boyhood, even though he was a few years older than I. We went to the same church (First Baptist, Crystal Springs) and to the same school (Crystal Springs Consolidated School). I admired and respected Bill during the years he served as a Jackson police officer. He was dedicated to his work and was an honorable and highly regarded policeman. Bill had "good blood" in him. I was especially fond of his dad, Mr. "Shorty" Lawless, who was a very tall gentleman. In retirement Bill was a quiet and peaceful citizen who minded his own business and lived happily in the house in which he had grown up. I send my sincere condolences to his family.

Jim Kitchens - July 03, 2024 at 12:58 PM

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“ Your AccentCare Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William J. (Bill) Lawless.

Your AccentCare Family - July 03, 2024 at 09:00 AM

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“ Your AccentCare Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of William J. (Bill) Lawless.



Your AccentCare Family - July 03, 2024 at 09:00 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of William J. (Bill) Lawless.



July 02, 2024 at 07:47 PM



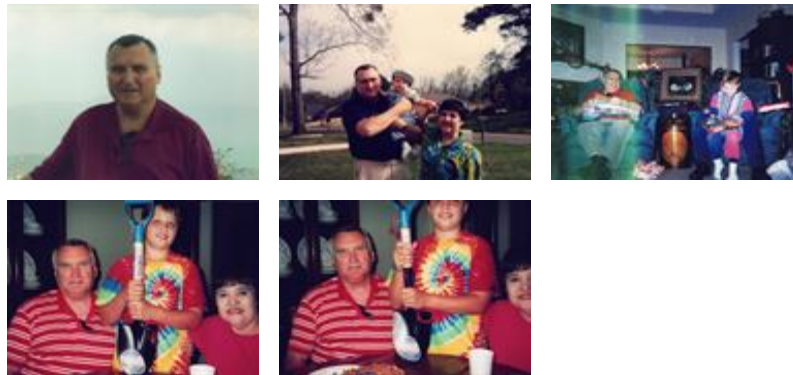
“ Chris Ainsworth purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of William J. (Bill) Lawless.



Chris Ainsworth - July 02, 2024 at 06:50 PM



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Stringer Family Funeral Service - July 02, 2024 at 04:17 PM