

## William R. Dillon Jr.

April 7, 2022

William R Dillon Jr., of Monroeville, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday April 7, 2022.

Born in 1960, Heidleberg Germany, experienced a fulfilled life. William loved good food and cooking on the grill with his family and friends's. His greatest love was his music and being the best drummer.

William was preceded in death by his father, William R. Dillon Sr. from Texas; grandmother, Birdie Mae Lodkey Cooper; aunts, Marilyn Wood Baldwin, and Barbara Freeman; uncle, Charles S. Lodkey; and nephew, Ryan M. Dillon.

William is survived by hs mother, Vera Perry Burkes (David); brothers, Ronald F. Dillon (Jeanine), and Paul S. Dillon; sister, Kim L. Dillon; aunts, Eva (Clarence) Williams of Colorado, Bhavananda (Janjaap) Lodkey Dekker of California, Doris Eleanor Lodkey; uncle, Joseph Lodkey;

nephews, Ronald F. Dillon Jr., Nathaniel R. Dillon; nieces, Janaya Spencer, Lanai Spencer; and many cousins and friends. William graduated from Gateway High School and then went on to tour with Young American Showcase from Florida. He returned from tour and went to Atlanta Music Business institute where he received an associates degree in music. He used that to run the video controls in his employment, did an internship at DiCesare Engler productions. His next accomplishment was receiving his associates degree in paralegal. He played drums with many bands in the Pittsburgh area. Visitation will be Thursday April 14, 2022, from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the GENE H. CORL FUNERAL CHAPEL INC. AND CREMATION SERVICES OF

MONROEVILLE, 4335 Northern Pike (412-372-2100).

Funeral Service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday April 16, 2022, at Garden City United Methodist Church, 500 Laurel Dr. Monroeville, PA. (EVERYONE PLEASE MEET AT THE CHURCH). The interment will be private. Thank you to all for your support, thoughts, and prayers. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be sent to Garden City United Methodist Church in William's name. Condolences can be made at [www.corlfuneralchapel.com](http://www.corlfuneralchapel.com).

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

APR 14. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Gene H. Corl Funeral Chapel Inc.  
4335 Northern Pike  
Monroeville, PA 15146  
(412) 372-2100  
ghcorl@comcast.net  
<https://corlfuneralchapel.com>

### Visitation

APR 14. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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4335 Northern Pike  
Monroeville, PA 15146  
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### Service

APR 16. 10:30 AM (ET)

Garden City United Methodist Church  
500 Laurel Drive  
Monroeville, PA 15146



# Tribute Wall

SR

“ *In memory of our cousin William (Billy) Dillon Jr.  
From Lee C.Thompson.II and Jordan James Thompson*



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**Semira E Rose** - April 22, 2022 at 04:31 PM

SR

“ *Losing one's family member is very difficult no matter the circumstances are death is something we're rarely prepared for. Billy lives on in our hearts. I will keep his spirit alive with fond memories from my younger years in Pennsylvania This is one of my fondest memories Cousins Ronnie and Billy and Aunt Vera's wedding12/27/1981 Monroeville PA I took this photograph. Sincerely, Cousin Semira E Rose of New York*



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**Semira E Rose** - April 22, 2022 at 04:28 PM

DP

“ A Dear & True Friend of mine gave me this Prayer for my Mother and I am forwarding this to you, Cousin Billy, Aunt Vera and Ronnie Dillon. 🙏💕💕💕🙏🙏🙏



Donna Marie Prestia - April 16, 2022 at 09:44 AM

AB

“ Such an amazing spirit, good soul and impeccable timing. May you continue to drum and smile in heaven. RIP my friend.

Al Bowers - April 16, 2022 at 07:53 AM

JL

“ Dear Vera;  
My heart goes out to you and your family for the loss of your son. I never met your son,  
but i understand the feelings of loss. i also lost a son.  
My deepest thoughts and feelings go out to you and your family.  
sincerely,  
jody lowe  
(monroeville arts council member)

jody lowe - April 15, 2022 at 11:20 PM

JL

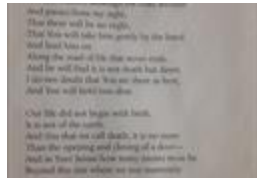
“ *Jody Lowe lit a candle in memory of William R. Dillon Jr.*



jody lowe - April 15, 2022 at 11:15 PM

SR

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Semira E Rose - April 15, 2022 at 06:50 PM

SR

“ Dear Family Aunt Vera and cousin Ronnie with sadness I write today on the Tribute wall.

.Cousin Billy and I share the same birthday in March. Bill was a few years younger than me. I fondly remember as children celebrating our birthdays together with cake and icecream. One birthday stands out in my mind ...we had our birthday celebration at Howard Johnsons! So much fun we had! Even now at age 64 I remember that day!

Rest in eternal peace cousin Bill. Also I have happy memory of our travel together to visit Aunt Eva n California. What an adventure! We were teenagers at that time.

Your now a BRIGHT STAR among the Heavens!  
Rest in Eternal Peace Dear cousin.

Love your cousin,  
Semira E. Rose  
( formerly known as Darlene Thompson)

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**Semira E. Rose** - April 15, 2022 at 06:34 PM

DP

“ William "Billy" Dillon, Jr...We will Remember the Fun Times and the sad times and you made Me Laugh about everything. Remember that, Billy?

*You are Up there in Heaven now.*

*I know how devastated about my Mom passing and you said, "that she was up there in Heaven with my Father and others..." Rest In Peace, Cousin Billy*❤️



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**Donna Marie Prestia** - April 15, 2022 at 10:55 AM

SE

“ Semira lit a candle in memory of William R. Dillon Jr.



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**Semira** - April 13, 2022 at 08:11 PM

MV

“ Billy I was surprised to see that smiling face and learned you had passed on. Over the past 40 years it was nice when I had the opportunity to run into you and was always met with that smile rest in peace my friend

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**michael vesely** - April 12, 2022 at 06:16 AM

DB

“ 1 file added to the album *Musician Bill*



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David Bolock - April 11, 2022 at 09:14 PM

DB

“ *My childhood friend and bandmate through many years. Bill was such an amazing person and so passionate about music and drums. I know he has been suffering health issues, but even last summer we were talking about doing some gigs together. My prayers to his brother Ronnie and his mom and other family members. RIP Bill.*

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David Bolock - April 11, 2022 at 09:05 PM

GG

“ *Billy Dillon, I've known and played with you nearly 45 years and I will miss you terribly. We always called each other once a month and I'll miss those calls. Heaven now has an Angel Drummer playing the choir.*

*From the Esta Esta, to Coolpeppers Hot House, The Thunderbird and too many other places to mention we were side by side on the stand. Drum on Billy Dillon and Godspeed to you.*

*Mrs Dillon and Ron my deepest condolences to you and your family. Billy was so kind, gentle, caring and a friend to everyone.*

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Gordon Gary - April 11, 2022 at 05:36 PM

MI

“ *Such a shock to know you’re gone. May you Rest In Peace my friend. Missy*

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**Missy** - April 11, 2022 at 04:27 PM

PM

“ *Sincerest condolences on the loss of Bill, great loss for his friends and family.*

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**Patty Moore** - April 11, 2022 at 02:18 PM