



## Larry "Pops" Carl Williams

February 22, 1949 - April 13, 2020

Larry "Pops" Carl Williams, age 71 of Greenbrier passed away Monday, April 13th at his residence. Arrangements entrusted to Austin & Bell Funeral Home, 2619 Hwy 41 S., Greenbrier, TN.

There will be a drive by Memorial 6:30 to 7:30 Friday evening at the Greenbrier High School Softball Field. A private family graveside service will be held Saturday at Bethlehem Cemetery.

He was born in Nashville, TN on February 22, 1949 to the late Roy Carl and Peggy Price Williams.

He was retired from the Nashville Fire Department with 33 years of service and was an assistant AG Teacher at Greenbrier High School and a farmer. His most recent job was coaching the Greenbrier High School softball team for 18 years having taken them to the State Championship title in 2003 and runner-up in State Championship game in 2014. He was an Army Paratrooper during the Viet Nam War.

He is survived by his wife, Helen Riddle Williams; son, Brian Scott (Elizabeth) Williams; daughters, Julie Lynn (Paul) Merrill, Carla Samantha (Marty) Head; brothers, George "Bubba" (Martha) Williams, Tommy (Tammy) Williams; sister, Carole (Clay) Harrell; grandchildren, Alex Merrill, Austin Merrill, Tori Head, Kelsee Williams, Blaine Head, Zoe Merrill, Hayden Head, Lilah Head, Baby Williams; great-grandchildren, Sofia Merrill, Paislee Young, Madilynn Beck; devoted friend, Julie Head.

Pallbearers will be Scott Williams, Marty Head, Paul Merrill, Lon Roach,

William Head and Nick Bolton.

Honorary pallbearers will be George "Bubba" Williams, Tommy Williams, Alex Merrill, Austin Merrill, Blaine Head and Hayden Head.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Greenbrier High School Softball Program. Online condolences may be made at [www.austinandbell.com](http://www.austinandbell.com).

"I'm glad you got to see me"

# Tribute Wall

SS

“ Larry was such a integral part of this community and GHS Softball. He was a loving leader for The Multitude and I'm glad he called me friend. You will be missed.

Suzie Stubblefield - April 17, 2020 at 09:35 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Larry "Pops" Carl Williams.



April 17, 2020 at 08:58 PM



“ I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket was purchased for the family of Larry "Pops" Carl Williams.



April 17, 2020 at 11:51 AM

SG

“ So sorry Helen to hear this. Such good memories of you in school at our old alma mater Cumberland High. I can see you and Larry in the hall walking together to class.



sandra gifford - April 16, 2020 at 01:06 PM

HG

*Just seeing the death of Mr. Williams. Did not know he was your husband. Praying that God will comfort you and your family, during your grief. Admired your Dad, Mr. Horace Riddle.*

Herbert Goodner - April 22, 2020 at 01:15 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Larry "Pops" Carl Williams.*



April 16, 2020 at 11:47 AM

GC

“ *A FINE GENTLEMAN LOVED BY MANY!*

GLYNN & JANE COLLIER - April 15, 2020 at 03:20 PM

HM

“ I am so sorry for your loss. It was so good to see Larry at our 50th high school reunion.

*I used to live just across the highway from Larry when he lived on West Hamilton Road by Hody' s. One day he invited me over to ride his pony. The pony stepped on my foot and had me pinned. I could not move. Larry really laughed at that one, and he finally got the pony to move.*

*We played a lot of baseball together, and Larry was very good at it. He will be missed.*

*Herb Miller  
Class of '67  
Cumberland High School*

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**Herb Miller** - April 15, 2020 at 01:47 PM

LP

“ Sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers for your family in the weeks ahead.

*Linda Pelham (Davis)*

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**Linda Pelham** - April 15, 2020 at 01:18 PM

SS

*Love you bunches ❤️  
Steve & Tina*

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**Steve & Tina Sorrells** - April 17, 2020 at 07:46 PM

SA

“ *Helen and family, sorry to hear about Larry. Days of growing up with you both are great memories. Love you all, you are in our prayers.*

*Carl and sherry Adcox*

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**sherry adcox** - April 15, 2020 at 09:52 AM

MS

“ *So sorry Ms. Helen. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Please know that we are here for you. Our deepest sympathy.*



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**Michelle & Megan Suter** - April 15, 2020 at 08:03 AM

DC

“ *Don Cherry lit a candle in memory of Larry "Pops" Carl Williams*



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**Don Cherry** - April 15, 2020 at 01:21 AM

DC

*Rest In Peace my long time friend.*

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**Don Cherry** - April 15, 2020 at 01:23 AM

CH

“ Mr. Larry would take us over to the farm during Ag class to teach us things, I will never forget the day he took a few of us to a friends farm to tag some calves, after our ride in the back of the unstoppable brown Ford, we got to the field and he got Michael Mitchell and myself to get over in the field to run the momma off once they started tagging. When they popped that first tag the ground shook and around the barn came the biggest bull ive ever seen, Mr. Larry laughed so hard as we made our way back over the fence. Mrs. Helen yall are in my prayers, Thank you Mr. Larry for all you did for us, Love ya.

Coty Harris - April 14, 2020 at 09:19 PM

PP

“ I went to school with Larry and ran into several times throughout the years. I always liked him and he was a great guy. I am sure he will be missed and I am sorry for your loss. Paul Putman.

Paul putman - April 14, 2020 at 09:13 PM

BO

“ Bobvicker lit a candle in memory of Larry  
"Pops" Carl Williams



Bobvicker - April 14, 2020 at 09:05 PM

MR

“ Mr.Larry was a wonderful softball coach.. Mrs.Helen you and your family are in my thought and prayers.

Maigan Ramsey(Dozier) - April 14, 2020 at 08:43 PM



“ *Helen, so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time.*

*Mike and Juanita Clark*

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**Juanita Clark** - April 14, 2020 at 08:17 PM

JM

“ *Coach Larry, the Miles family will always remember how great and loving you were to Courtney. You will never be forgotten in our family. Mrs Helen, we will be praying for you and your family. We will see Coach Larry again. 🙏🏈*

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**jessie miles** - April 14, 2020 at 07:05 PM

RH

“ *LC ( as we knew him) and I was in the same Army platoon. He always kept me laughing and always had a tell to tell. He was the only man I knew that never backed down from a dare regardless of the consequence. He will be missed.*

*Randy Heavener*

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**Randy Heavebner** - April 14, 2020 at 06:43 PM

AG

“ *Helen and family I'm so sorry to hear about Larry's passing. Prayers for all of you.*

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**Allen and Wanda Graham** - April 14, 2020 at 06:27 PM