



## Mr. William "Bill" L. Blow

July 24, 1931 - September 5, 2019

In the early evening of Thursday, September 5, 2019, William "Bill" L. Blow was called home to his maker. Bill was well known in his community of Chateaugay as one who reached out in service to others.

Bill was the son of Merritt and Mary Ann (Cook) Blow, born in Ellenburg on July 24, 1931. He attended Ellenburg Central School. On July 17, 1953, he was united into marriage with Florence (Sis) Silver at St. George's Rectory in Burke, a marriage that lasted 66 years. He was a communicant of St. Patrick's Church, Chateaugay.

Bill worked at many trades to provide for his family. In his early years he worked construction, he was employed at McCadam Cheese and Pearl's Dept. Store. He became manager of the Pearl's Dept. Store in Champlain in 1959. Many a night Bill would be seen bar tending at Chateaugay Hotel. Later Bill and Sis became managers of Barcomb's Furniture which they later owned and went on to be proprietors of Blow's Grocery on Lake Street, 1975-1984. In his later years Bill was a bus driver/laborer for Chateaugay Central School, retiring in 1996. Bill continued as a "jack of all trades", he went back to working small scale construction with Lyle's Carpentry, assisted at the Chateaugay Funeral Home, and was a lawn care provider for St. Patrick's Cemetery.

Bill was a member of the Chateaugay Fire Department for 58 years, holding various offices, a 3rd degree member of Chateaugay Knights of Columbus, a past member and trustee of St. Patrick's Pastoral Council, a former usher and

Eucharistic Minister, a past member of the Malone Golf Club and avid sports enthusiast. Bill loved golfing and bowling and watching sports on TV. On a personal level, Bill was always the family member that family turned to for help or assistance.

Bill's family – children and grandchildren were his pride and joy. He always said that the “greatest gift” at holiday time was having his family gathered around the holiday table.

Bill is survived by his loving wife, Sis; three sons, Lawrence and his companion Rose Arno of Ellenburg Depot, Gerald and Janice Blow of Chateaugay, and Randy and Jeri-Lyn Blow of Malone; his loving grandchildren, William C. Blow (Ashley Pryce), Candi Johnston (J Staib), Kendra (Nathaniel) Campbell, Krystal Blow (James Alexander), Heather (Taylor) Artus, and Curtis Blow; a niece who was like a daughter, Sharon LaFlesh; ten great-grandchildren; a brother, Carl (Joan) Blow of Palm Coast, Florida; a brother and sister-in-law, Richard and Mary Whalen of Plattsburgh; as well as many nieces and nephews.

Besides his parents, he was predeceased by an infant son, Garry Joseph; his siblings, Marvin, James, Roland, Katherine, Helen, Doris and an infant brother, Henry; his father and mother-in-law, Charles and Seamonne Silver; and a grandson, Mathew Johnston.

It would not have been possible for Bill to be able to enjoy being at home with his wife and family if it hadn't been for a very loving and compassionate daughter-in-law, Janice who cared for “Pa” with unselfish love and caregiving, day in and day out along with his wonderful team of caregivers, Cindy, Sally, Bonnie, Kim, Geri, Jill, Lacy, Catherine, Sabrina and Dorothy.

Calling hours will be held at the Chateaugay Funeral Home on Sunday, September 8, 2019 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Patrick's Church, Chateaugay, on Monday, September 9 at 11 a.m.

Donations in Bill's memory can be given to the Chateaugay Fire Department, Hospice of the North Country or St. Patrick's Church.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 8. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Chateaugay Funeral Home  
36 Church Street  
Chateaugay, NY 12920  
(518) 497-6781  
hwilcox2@twcny.rr.com  
<https://www.chateaugayfuneralhome.com/>

## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Patrick's Church  
132 West Main Street  
Chateaugay, NY 12920

# Tribute Wall



“ *It has been an honor and a privilege to have been able to get to know William and his amazing family. May he rest peacefully in God's arms.*

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**Shelley Betteres Gibbons** - September 10, 2019 at 07:54 PM

MH

“ *sending love to Aunt Sis and all the family. Sorry we could not make it to the service but you were all in our thoughts. We will miss uncle Bill. He always had a smile on his face. I remember his patience when he tried to help me get shoes at Pearls. I am sure when he saw me come through the door to get new shoes for school, that he wished he could leave as it always took me a long time to find a shoe to fit, but he was so professional and nice and always helped me find something. I remember fun family get together's at Grandma and Grandpa Blows. He liked to tease us and in return I would tease him by trying to mess his hair; his hair was always well styled and so neat. After we moved away we tried to stop and see him whenever we went north or him and Aunt Sis would come over to see us where we were. Love and God Bless .Mary and Norm Hilliard and family*

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**Mary Hilliard** - September 09, 2019 at 11:37 PM

LC

“ Dear Aunt Sis & Family,  
Please accept my deepest condolences. May the memories that you carry with you in your heart be of some comfort to you. I'm in Florida now with Dad and will not be able to attend the services for Uncle Bill. I have fond memories of spending time as a young girl with all of you and more recent memories of seeing Uncle Bill mowing the lawn at the cemetery and also at Aunt Kay's birthday party sharing a joke or two. My last time I saw Uncle Bill, at Aunt Doris's wake, he called me by name and kept hugging me and I will never forget that.  
Love & BIG Hugs to you all,  
Laurie Chase-Fezette

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**Laurie Chase-Fezette** - September 08, 2019 at 08:29 AM

BW

“ Uncle Bill always had a smile and loved teasing everyone to make them laugh. He is our angel now. Prayers for Aunt Sis and the boys and all his precious grandchildren. Bonnie Whalen

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**Bonnie Whalen** - September 07, 2019 at 07:31 PM

DJ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone during this difficult time! Janice, you certainly should have no regrets, your dedication and care for Bill over these years speaks volumes of your love for him!! He and Sis are so lucky to have you!!

Bill was a wonderful man, and my favorite memories are of him up at the store when Christopher was a baby...he would pick him up and let him play with the cash register!💕. Keep your memories in your heart and remember that he is now in a better place with no suffering❤️

Thinking of all of you,  
Love,  
Dicky & Julie



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Dick & Julie Jarvis - September 07, 2019 at 09:47 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" L. Blow.



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September 07, 2019 at 08:39 AM

TB

“ Uncle Bill was a great man who was always thinking of others and wanted to help whenever he could. I'm truly sorry for Aunt Sis and the entire Blow family. May God be with you during these hard times and keep you all safe and comforted. Love you all.



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Tammy Blow Becker - September 07, 2019 at 08:32 AM



“ So many memories of Bill as a man about the village in so many places...stores, church, fire dept, but special in my heart was he and my Dad faithfully taking up the collection at Mass at St Patrick`s. My thoughts and prayers go out to Sis, the boys and their families, and Sharon too. Love to all as you journey onward. *anna LaBarge Lucia*

Anna Lucia - September 07, 2019 at 07:18 AM



“ So sorry to hear of Bills passing. Please accept my profound sympathies and prayers in this time of sorry.

Ronald Rabideau - September 06, 2019 at 09:13 PM



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September 06, 2019 at 07:55 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. William "Bill" L. Blow.*



September 06, 2019 at 05:46 PM