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William Butler “Bill” Abernathy, Jr. passed away on Wednesday night, March 4, 2015, surrounded by family and friends.

His intelligence, humor, and wry wit will be missed by all who knew and loved him. Bill was born in Jonesboro, Arkansas and lived in Covington with his wife, Conie, for the past nine years. Bill was as Associate Professor of Psychology at Southeastern Louisiana University and Vice President of Performance Systems at Aubrey Daniels, International. Prior to joining Southeastern, Bill was the President of Abernathy and Associates in Memphis, TN. Bill received his undergraduate degree in psychology at Florida State University; a Masters Degree in Experimental Psychology from Vanderbilt University; and, a doctorate in Organizational Psychology from Ohio State University. Bill authored three books: “The Sin of Wages,” “Managing Without Supervisors,” and “The Liberated Workplace - Transitioning to Walden III.” Bill published numerous articles in academic and trade publications, was an Associate Editor of the Journal of Organizational Behavior Management, a board member of The Cambridge Center, and recipient of the International Association for Applied Behavior Analysis’ Outstanding Contributor Award.

Bill was the son of the late William and Emily Abernathy of Jonesboro Arkansas. He is survived by his wife Conie Lowry Abernathy of Covington; three children, William Todd Abernathy of Manchester, New Hampshire, Elizabeth Ann Abernathy of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and Sloan Lowry (Dial Morrison) Abernathy of New Orleans; four grandchildren, Jackson and Miles Trefethen of Portsmouth, New Hampshire and Elizabeth and Carolyn Abernathy of Manchester, New Hampshire; two brothers, David (Judy) Abernathy of Jonesboro Arkansas, Frank (Yvonne) Abernathy of Kettering Ohio, and sister, Ann Abernathy (Bill McLelland) of Portland, Oregon.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend memorial services at 2:00 PM on Saturday, March 7, 2015 at Covington Presbyterian Church, 222 S. Jefferson St. Covington, LA 70433. Interment at St. Joseph Abbey Cemetery will have taken place privately.






Obituary

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In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the William B. Abernathy Scholarship for Industrial and Organizational Psychology at Southeastern Louisiana University Foundation at SLU Box 10293, Hammond, LA 70402, or Covington Presbyterian Church.




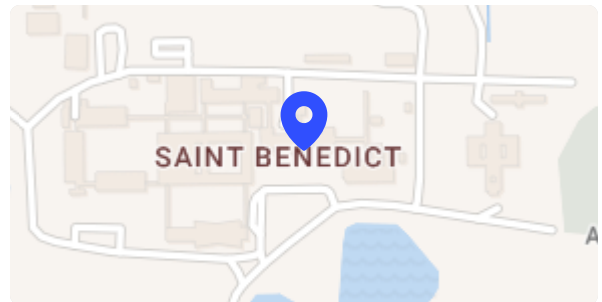
Memorial Services

-  **Saturday**, March 7, 2015
-  2:00 PM CT
-  **Covington Presbyterian**
222 S. Jefferson Street, Covington LA 70433



Cemetery Details

-  **St. Joseph Abbey Cemetery**
75376 River Rd., Saint Benedict LA





Tribute Wall

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BK

Bruce Kimmel posted:

I'm so sorry to hear about Bill's passing, but grateful that I had the opportunity to see him again and visit with him for a while at the JHS Class of 1963 50 Year reunion. Bill will be missed by all who new him. He was one of the most humorous individuals I've ever known. Bruce Kimmel

March 9 at 2:41 AM

HM

Hmfitzpatrick posted:

I just met Bill once before Xmas but I want to send my condolence to coney and family .He will be in my prayers. hermanfitzpatrick.

March 7 at 8:02 AM

LL

Laura Adler Lewis posted:

Connie, Fred and I are thinking of you and Sloan during this difficult time. Bill was such a funny and talented guy. We always enjoyed being with the two of you and laughing at your family antics. Bill will be sorely missed. Laura and Fred Lewis

March 6 at 10:32 AM

DS

Delaine Smith posted:

Conie and Sloan, I am so very sorry to hear of Bill's passing. My thoughts and prayers for comfort are with you.

March 6 at 9:28 AM

JL

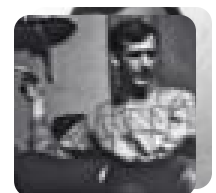
Janey Lively posted:

Connie, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Prayers an blessings are with you and your family. Janey Lively, garden club.

March 6 at 9:00 AM

PK

Peter Kluge shared an album called **New Album Name.**



March 6 at 7:28 AM



Tribute Wall

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PK

Peter Kluge posted:

My deepest condolences. A funny, witty, somewhat irreverent soul was Bill. A good friend. I will miss him greatly. I still have a copy of the one and only edition of The Dissenters Weekly.

March 6 at 5:51 AM

CF

Connie Friend posted:

Conie and Sloan, We were so saddened to hear of Bill's passing. Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers. God bless you all, Connie and Joey Friend

March 6 at 4:47 AM

MR

Missy Rainer posted:

Conie, the Rainer family sends love and prayers to you and your family. We were so saddened at the news of Bill's death. May God's peace be with you at this time. Much love, Missy

March 6 at 3:23 AM

LH

Lanette Hunt posted:

Conie, my heart is breaking for you & your family. I did not know that your husband had been suffering from brain cancer. Please know that y'all are in my thoughts & especially my prayers. I wish I could be there to wrap my arms around you & give u a big 'ole Murray hug. ❤️ Lanette

March 5 at 1:45 PM



Peter Kluge shared 2 photos to the **New Album Name** album.

March 6 at 7:28 AM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring William by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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