



William Gust Psychos

William Gust "Bill" Psychos grew up in Coudersport, PA, the third of six children born to Greek immigrants. His first job was in his father's candy and soda shop, the Olympic Confectionary. Making candy and hauling ice gave Bill the work ethic which guided him throughout his life. His father, Gust, and he enjoyed hunting together. The love of hunting prompted his move to South Dakota in hopes that his father would join him on pheasant

hunts. After graduation from business school, he got a job as assistant to the president of Wilson Truck System. His fiancée, Doris Ives, moved from Coudersport, PA, to Sioux Falls. On the day of her arrival, they traveled to Luverne, MN, and were married. To this union, two daughters were born; Cassandra and Cynthia. In the next few years, Bill worked at Stewart School of Hairstyling before opening his own beauty school and shop, the South Dakota Hairstyling Academy and Westgate Beauty Salon. He was a proud member of the Masonic Lodge AF & AM Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Shriners' International, Eastern Star and Lion's Club along with other sportsman and hunting organizations. In the mid 70's, he moved to the Black Hills of Wyoming where his love of hunting also evolved into guiding hunts for elk, deer, and antelope. Transforming a rustic cabin into a comfortable home became his passion, and he was very proud of all his carpentry accomplishments. His siblings, daughters, grandsons and their friends were always welcome to stay for visits, especially if they brought or prepared some of his favorite Greek dishes or helped out with various projects. Bill served two tours of duty in the Marine Corps and dealt with his service connected Korean War wounds throughout the remainder of his life. Bill was a Purple Heart recipient. Until his recent decline in health, he lived as independently as possible.

Bill, of Newcastle, WY, died March 29, 2012, at the Fort Meade VA Medical Center, Sturgis, SD, surrounded by his family.

He is survived by his sisters, Constance Psychos and Helen Snowman both of Coudersport, PA, and Chrysanthia Kepler, Lindale, TX; a brother, Charles, Arlington, VA; daughters, Cassie (Bill) Soeffing, Sioux Falls, SD and Cindi Psychos, Jamestown, ND; two grandsons, Charles and



Wilson Soeffing; special friend of the family, Mary Eagleson; along with several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gust and Bessie; an infant sister, Beatrice; and two brothers-in-law, Galen Snowman and Dr. Ken Kepler.

A memorial has been established to benefit the veterans of G Ward at Fort Meade VA Medical Center.

The family wishes to thank the Home Health Care Staff of Newcastle, WY, and the staff of G-Ward for their care and compassion with our father. Condolences may be sent to the family at www.kinkadefunerals.com.



The family invites everyone to a time of fellowship and lunch at the Sturgis Vet's Club following the committal service. We thank you for your presence and condolences.

In Loving Memory Of

William Gust "Bill" Psychos

Born

March 4, 1931
Coudersport, Pennsylvania

Died

March 29, 2012
Fort Meade, South Dakota

Graveside Service

Friday, April 13, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.
Black Hills National Cemetery

Officiating

Chaplain Ralph Vencill

Military Honors

Sturgis Veteran's Honor Guard

Interment

Black Hills National Cemetery
Sturgis, South Dakota

Isaiah 40:31

New American Standard Bible (NASB)

*³¹ Yet those who wait for the LORD
Will gain new strength;
They will mount up with wings like eagles,
They will run and not get tired,
They will walk and not become weary.*

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