

Bill and Gayle Creamer



William Davis Creamer was born in Robertsedale, Alabama on November 13, 1935. His family later moved to Pensacola, Florida, where Bill graduated from Pensacola High School as salutatorian. In 1956 Bill entered Auburn University to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering. While at Auburn, in 1958 he married Gayle Adkinson, his High School sweetheart. After graduating from Auburn, Bill accepted a commission in the United States Air Force where he served four years, after which he attended San Jose State College, California, and earned his Masters Degree in Industrial Engineering in 1968. Bill continued to serve his country in a civilian capacity at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, where he worked as a Project Engineer at the Armament Laboratory. Bill performed many duties through the years, including Program Manager, Chief of Mines Branch, and Deputy Director for the Air Base Defense Systems Program. Bill always had an inquisitive mind and a thirst to learn, but his real loves in life were God, his country, family, friends, and Auburn University.

Dorothy Gayle Adkinson was born in Pensacola, Florida, on September 30, 1937. Gayle graduated from Pensacola High School. She then pursued a Nursing Degree from Sacred Heart School of Nursing where she received her degree. Gayle married Bill Creamer in 1958, and later she and Bill moved to Ft Walton Beach, Florida. In 1970, after raising their two children, Kimberly and David, Gayle became the Wright Elementary School Nurse. Through her 14 year tenure she always had a comforting smile for the sick children who knew her most affectionately as "Nurse Creamer." Gayle was active in the local Women's Club and the Junior League. Although she never attended Auburn University she was a devoted and loyal supporter of the "Loveliest Village on the Plains."

Bill and Gayle were members of many local organizations, including a very active participation at the First United Methodist Church. They followed Choctawhatchee High School activities long after their children graduated and convinced both to attend Auburn University.

On a foggy Saturday night returning from the Auburn-Florida football game, Bill and Gayle were killed in a tragic plane crash only a few miles from their landing site. Bill and Gayle will always be remembered as a couple who loved God, their family, their friends, and their school. This scholarship is established in their memory and honor.



MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND

In memory of Bill and Gayle Creamer, we are proud to announce the establishment of a scholarship fund which will operate in perpetuity and will serve to underscore Bill and Gayle's contribution to their fellow man. The scholarship will be awarded to incoming freshman students from the local club area, attending Auburn University.

It is our earnest hope that the Bill & Gayle Creamer Memorial Endowed Scholarship Fund can continue to be awarded annually. Your financial support is sincerely requested in order to increase the endowed level.

The Emerald Coast Auburn Club, which contributes to the scholarship fund, appreciates your thoughtful consideration.

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