
Willard E. "Bill" GROUT



GROUT, Willard E. "Bill," 73, of Odessa, Fla., passed away peacefully at

his home Sunday, July 18, 2010, surrounded by his family. Bill was born January 14, 1937, in Tampa and graduated from Hillsborough High School. He served in the Florida National Guard and retired from the City of Tampa Fire Department after a 20 year career as a [firefighter](#) and paramedic. He was one of the first paramedics in the state of Florida. He also worked for the Pinellas Park Fire Department as a fire inspector. After retirement he traveled North America with his wife, enjoying the wonders of nature. He was preceded in death by his parents, Willard Elon Grout Sr. and loving mother, Irene Marie Grout. He is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Arlene; son, Forrest Norman Grout (Beverly); daughter, Fawn Arlene Nieuwenhoff (Joe); grand-children, Zachary Taylor Grout, Ryder Taylor Grout, Morgan Katie Elizabeth Grout, Emma Ann Nieuwenhoff, Elizabeth Marie Nieuwenhoff, Abigail Rae Grout, and Finn Thomas Grout; one great-granddaughter, Madelyn Elizabeth Grout, and his faithful service dog, Dozer. The family will receive visitors 6-9 p.m. Wednesday, July 21 at Lake Magdalene United Methodist Church on Fletcher Avenue and services will also be at the church at 10 a.m. Thursday, July 22. Interment will be at Lake Carroll Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Tampa Younglife, P.O. Box 46416 Tampa, FL 33646 or Paws With a Cause, 4646 South Division, Wayland, MI

49348, 1(800) 253-PAWS. "We loved him very much and he will be surely missed. Dad never liked wearing a tie so we won't be wearing any at the service."


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