



## William "Billy" Bradley Hair

January 25, 1946 - June 17, 2026

A Funeral Service will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, June 27, 2026, in Gueydan Methodist Church in Gueydan, LA for Mr. William Bradley "Billy" Hair, 80, who passed away peacefully on Wednesday, June 17, 2026, at his home in Lake Charles, LA surrounded by his loving family.

Visitation will be held at Matthews Funeral Home on Friday, June 26, 2026, from 4:00 PM to 9:00 PM. Visiting Hours will resume on Saturday, June 27, 2026, at 9:00 AM and continue until his services begin at 2:00 PM. Reverend Chyrelena Peyton will officiate Funeral and Graveside Services. Interment will take place in the Gueydan Cemetery.

William Bradley Hair, affectionately known to all as Billy, was born in Roswell, NM, on January 25, 1946, to the late Mr. William C. Hair and Mrs. Marjorie Verhines Hair. He grew up on the family farm in the community of Wright, LA. Billy attended Wright Elementary School and as a teenager enlisted the help of his cousins and his close friends to make and install the now iconic sign "If You Lived In Wright You'd Be Home Now". He went on to become a proud graduate of Gueydan High School class of 1965. Billy later earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Aerospace Engineering from the University of Southwestern Louisiana in 1969. He was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force and completed flight school in Del Rio, TX. During his very distinguished military career, Billy served his country

in Vietnam. He quickly rose to the rank of Captain, flew mighty C-130 Hercules aircraft, and commanded one of the Air Force's Tactical Airlift Squadrons. Billy delivered supplies and personnel on military operations and humanitarian efforts all over the world. He also had the honor of piloting one of the first C-130 AWACS directly from the Lockheed factory in Arkansas. Billy's service included missions, some of which were classified top-secret, that brought him to all corners of the world and provided experiences and memories he revered his entire life. After leaving the Air Force, Billy and his wife, Linda Sarver Hair returned with their children to Gueydan, LA where he became a fourth generation Hair to farm rice in the Wright Community. Billy and Linda were married on September 2, 1967, and shared a loving marriage until her passing in 2020. A beloved husband, father, and grandfather who leaves behind a legacy of dedication, strength, resilience, and love. Billy's memory will be forever cherished in the hearts of those whose lives he touched.

Billy is survived by his beloved daughter, Monica Lynne Hair Norsworthy and her husband, Mark; his son, Troy Hair; his devoted daughter-in-law, Kelly Hair; his six grandchildren, Andrew, Mary Gayle, Lea, Ethan, Ayden, and Madison; his two step-grandchildren, Olivia and Alaina; his adored great-grandchildren; as well as his sisters, Paula Broussard, Timala "Timmie" Melancon and her husband, Lonnie, and Jennifer Saltzman and her husband, Ted. He was also blessed with the loving care of his special friend and caregiver, Kim Haley.

He is preceded in death by his parents, William C. Hair and Marjorie Verhines Hair; his wife, Linda Gayle Sarver Hair; and his sister, Roberta Hair Grainger.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews Funeral Home GUEYDAN, 514 Second Street Gueydan, LA 70542

# Cemetery Details

## Gueydan Cemetery

Hwy 91  
Gueydan, LA 70542

# Upcoming Events

## Visitation

**JUN 26.** 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Matthews Funeral Home - GUEYDAN  
514 Second Street  
Gueydan, LA 70542  
(337) 824-4420  
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<https://www.matthewsandsonfuneralhome.net/>

## Visitation

**JUN 27.** 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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JUN 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

Gueydan Methodist Church  
501 Main St.  
Gueydan, LA 70542

## Burial

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JUN 27 (CT)

Gueydan Cemetery  
Hwy 91  
Gueydan, LA 70542

# Tribute Wall

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“ From the Odettes and Graingers family purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of William "Billy" Bradley Hair.



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“ From the Odettes and Graingers family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William "Billy" Bradley Hair.

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