

In Loving Memory
**William Carl
Thieme**

FEBRUARY 16, 1934 – MAY 31, 2026



On May 31, 2026, William Carl Thieme, known to friends as Bill, passed away peacefully in Eagle, Idaho, with family by his side. He was born on February 16, 1934, in Foley, Alabama.

After serving four years in the United States Air Force during the Korean War, Bill met Margie, who became his beloved wife of 63 years. Following his honorable discharge, he studied music in Los Angeles and later worked as a foreman for the electronics company Vostron.

Bill and Margie lived in Anaheim, California, before moving to Page, Arizona, in 1968, where he helped open a new manufacturing facility. There, he began a long career with the Bureau of Reclamation as an operator at Glen Canyon Dam. He later transferred to the Tracy Pumping Plant in Tracy, California, where he lived and worked for 30 years. After retirement, Bill and Margie moved to Eagle, Idaho, to be near family.

Bill's greatest passion was playing jazz trombone. He also

enjoyed racing cars at Willow Springs Raceway in his younger years and later competed in go-kart races throughout Northern California, with Margie serving as his faithful pit crew. He built free-flight model airplanes and participated in competitions across the western United States.

A dedicated runner, Bill competed in community 5K and 10K races well into his early 80s. He loved fishing, the outdoors, and family camping trips.

Bill was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He is survived by his children, Lorraine Kempton of Phoenix, Arizona; Janis Bartholomew (Royce) of Kuna, Idaho; and Dan Thieme (Iris) of Meridian, Idaho; along with 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He will be remembered for his love of music, adventurous spirit, devotion to family, and the kindness and enthusiasm he shared with everyone he met.