



## Mr. William S. Freeman

July 21, 1918 - October 4, 2016

William S. Freeman, age 98 years, of Cairo, NY passed away on October 4, 2016,

He was born in Brooklyn, NY on July 21, 1918, to the late Frederick and Anna (Lembke) Freeman.

Bill was an operating engineer primarily running cranes on many area construction projects. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII in France and Germany under General Patton. He was a member of The Cairo Hose Company and a lifetime member of The American Legion Post 983 and of the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 158.

Besides his parents, he was predeceased by his beloved wife of forty years Eldora (Abrams)Freeman, his daughter Patricia (Edward) Lane, brothers Frederick and August and sister Anna.

Survivors include his children Roberta (Richard) Lorenz, William (Lynn) Freeman Jr., James Freemann, August (Darlene ) Freemann, Steven (Julie) Freemann and his sister Florence Flinn.

He is also survived by grandchildren Alison (Richard ) Goodwin, Edward (Kim) Lane, Brian (Karen) Lane, James (Janet) Lorenz, Richard Lorenz, Jonathan Lorenz, Debora (Christopher) Martin, William (Karen) Freeman, August (Kris) Freemann, Amanda Freemann, Heather (Michael) Rockefeller, Christa Freemann; great grandchildren Jennifer (Gregg Buchanan) Rivenburg, Ashley Rivenburg, Jake Lane, Donald Lane, Samantha Lorenz, Emily Lorenz, Richard Lorenz, Curtis Martin, Katherine Martin, Emma Freeman, Sophia

Freeman; great great grandchildren Keilan (Rivenburg) Holmes, Lacey Rose( Lorenz) Rapalone and many nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are cordially invited to attend calling hours at Richards Funeral Home, 29 Bross Street, Cairo, on Sunday, October 9, 2016 from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM.

The Cairo American Legion Post # 983 of which William was a member, will hold services in his memory at the funeral home on Sunday afternoon , October 9, 2016, at 5:30 P.M.

Graveside services with full military honors will take place on Monday, October 10, 2016, at the Cairo Cemetery, Cairo, NY, at 10:00 A.M.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Lourdes Hospice, 4102 Old Vestal Rd, Vestal, NY 13850; Mercy House of the Southern Tier, 212 N. McKinley Ave, Endicott, NY, 13760 or a charity of your choice.

Condolences may be made at [www.richardsfuneralhomeinc.net](http://www.richardsfuneralhomeinc.net).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **9**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Richards Funeral Home - Cairo  
P.O. Box # 383  
29 Bross Street  
Cairo, NY 12413  
(518) 622-9503  
info@richardsbradysfh.com

## American Legion Service

OCT **9**. 5:30 PM (ET)

Richards Funeral Home - Cairo  
P.O. Box # 383  
29 Bross Street  
Cairo, NY 12413  
(518) 622-9503  
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## Graveside

OCT **10**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Cairo Cemetery  
County Route # 84  
Cairo, NY 12413

## Honor Guard Services

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OCT 10. 10:00 AM (ET)

Cairo Cemetery  
County Route # 84  
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# Tribute Wall

RR

“ To the Freeman family,  
I rode to Cairo Central Schhol on the same bus as Bill for six years from 7th grade through 12th grade. He was a very special friend to me, and will always have a place in my heart. He was an outstanding athlete in both baseball and basketball, and Cairo had excellent teams. Bill was kind and always a gentleman. The last time i saw him was at an alumni banquet, but unfortunately we didnt get to speak to each other. I am now 95 years old and living in a retirement community.in Lansdale, PA. My brother was Arthur Waldron (Coach) who taught at Cairo Durham High for many years. My sympathy to Bills family.  
Roberta Waldron Ryan

Roberta Waldron Ryan - October 13, 2016 at 07:55 PM

M.A.  
Tarpinian

“ "Grandpa"made me feel so welcome into his already big family when I married his grandson Eddie. Wonderful memories of a wonderful man whom I truly liked and loved. Keeping all of the family in my thoughts and prayers.

M.A. Tarpinian - October 10, 2016 at 05:23 PM

NK

“ Nancy Karklin lit a candle in memory of Mr. William S. Freeman

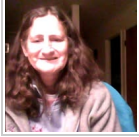


Nancy Karklin - October 09, 2016 at 10:55 AM

NK

*Freeman Family are in my Thoughts and Prayers. RIP,Bill. :(*

**Nancy Karklin** - October 09, 2016 at 10:59 AM



“ *Nip Strother Yannone Cobb lit a candle in memory of Mr. William S. Freeman*



**Nip Strother Yannone Cobb** - October 08, 2016 at 01:36 AM

NG

“ *Nancy Gosselin lit a candle in memory of Mr. William S. Freeman*



**Nancy Gosselin** - October 07, 2016 at 09:46 AM

PS

“ *Patty Sutter lit a candle in memory of Mr. William S. Freeman*



**Patty Sutter** - October 07, 2016 at 06:28 AM

DF

“ *Praying that His peace and comfort along with your happy memories carry you through this sad time.*



Donna R Faulkner - October 07, 2016 at 05:46 AM



“ *Marlo Parker lit a candle in memory of Mr. William S. Freeman*



Marlo Parker - October 06, 2016 at 08:38 PM

RH

“ *To the Freeman family, So sorry to hear about Bill, he was a boy hood friend of my dad, I loved hearing the stories of their growing up together. Our condolences to the family  
Ray and Nancy Houghtaling*

Ray & Nancy Houghtaling - October 06, 2016 at 05:40 PM

BB

“ *Bill and Judy Buck purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. William S. Freeman.*



Bill and Judy Buck - October 06, 2016 at 11:59 AM

LL

“ *Linda Lawrence lit a candle in memory of Mr. William S. Freeman*



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**Linda Lawrence** - October 06, 2016 at 11:18 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mr. William S. Freeman.*



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October 06, 2016 at 11:04 AM

AW

“ *On behalf of the volunteers, families, board and staff at Broome County Habitat for Humanity, our deepest condolences. You are in our thoughts and prayers as you mourn, and as you share memories celebrating a long life lived. Peace and love to you Bill and Lynn. ~Amy, your Core Crew friends and all of us at Habitat*

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**Amy Winans** - October 06, 2016 at 09:28 AM