

Inspiring Articles- by Faye Combs: Bill (Popeye) Bruce, Class of 1967

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“Bill and Nancy showed up the morning of my mother’s funeral, and they sent the most beautiful flower arrangement which was present for the visitation.

Other old friends from school kept me company at my mother’s visitation. I cannot begin to tell you what it means to people to have the support and friendship of old friends present when these losses occur. The prayers, flowers, words of support and friendship, and just your presence is worth more than words can say. There was not a big crowd nor were there lots of flowers. My mother was 100 years old so, sadly, most of her friends had already passed. Take that into consideration when you consider dropping by and supporting Bill (Popeye) Bruce during the visitation on the 16th of October. Bill’s father was very old, too. We should support one another in these sad moments. We were so fortunate to go to school with kids who lived close by so we could share a lot of time together. We had communities back then where we could form lifelong friendships both in and out of school. We have opportunities to this very day to show our love and support to our life long friends. We are blessed by these friendships.”

Bill Bruce is a 1967 alumni of Cohn High School.

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