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R. William (“Bill”) Metzger Sr.

Cashiers - R. William (“Bill”) Metzger Sr., of Cashiers, North Carolina died on August 13, 2009. Born in Willoughby, Ohio on April 2, 1930, he had a successful business career that included executive positions with Air Products, Eutectic, Disston Tools and The Triangle Corporation. With Triangle, he was President of Utica Tool Company in Orangeburg, South Carolina for 15 years, living in Columbia. When giving the commencement address at Orangeburg-Calhoun Tech in 1976, he stated “if you deal intelligently through people…if you work with your fellow man and make the maximum contribution your abilities will allow, then you are an important part of the free enterprise system.” After a brief retirement to Isle of Palms, South Carolina, he also served as President and CEO of Envirometrics, Inc. in Charleston, South Carolina. At the time of his death he was once again in semi-retirement status “assisting” his wife and daughter in their antique business in Cashiers.

He is survived by his adoring wife of 59 years, Vivianne, and their five children- Cheryl Tibbetts and husband Bill of Cashiers; Jeffrey Metzger and wife Barbara of Boulder, Colorado; Michael Metzger and wife Kathy of Fair Oaks, California; David Metzger and wife Marraya of Cheyenne, Wyoming; and R. William Metzger Jr. and wife Jeannie of Columbia, South Carolina Those five children brought Bill much love and pride, as well as nine grandchildren- Ken and Rob Tibbetts, Stacy and Matt Metzger, Michael and Patrick Metzger, Kate Metzger, William and Christopher Metzger- and two great-grandchildren- Marshall and Henry Tibbetts.

His wife and his family were his pride and joy and he lived life to the fullest. He will be sorely missed by all. A private family service will be held at St. Jude’s Catholic Church in Cashiers, North Carolina. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society (Cancer Research) or the National Parkinson Foundation, Inc.

Bryant-Grant Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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