



## William Hugh Lobsiger

May 14, 1939 - February 10, 2016

William Hugh Lobsiger, 76, of Dimondale, passed peacefully into the presence of his Savior on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 in Charlotte. Bill was born May 14, 1939 in Saginaw, MI, the son of William and Katherine (Beuchel) Lobsiger. He attended Prairie Bible College in Alberta, Canada and received a Bachelor's degree from Cedarville College in Ohio. He then earned his Master's degree in education from Michigan State University before a 38 year career in education. Bill taught in Midland County and Saginaw Public Schools before coming to the Lansing School District, where he taught music to elementary students. He devoted much of his time to creating the sets for various student musicals. As a member of the Orff-Schulwerk Association, he introduced children to many unique instruments.

Bill loved his experiences as being Santa Claus for the Mid-Michigan Youth Symphony Christmas program at the Wharton Center. He was very active at the First Baptist Church of Charlotte, where he taught the Gleaner's Sunday School class for 27 years. He was also a member of the Charlotte-Eaton Camp of Gideons International. Bill also enjoyed his time in the outdoors bow hunting and was a member of the Michigan Bow Hunting Association and the Pope and Young Society of Hunters. Above all, many will remember Bill as a faith-filled man who loved and cherished his family.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Tamara Sue (Nikolai) Lobsiger;

daughter, Julia Anne (Jerry) Karn; son, Paul William (Joy) Lobsiger; and 6 grandchildren, Jonathan, Benjamin and Harrison Karn and Sarah, Savannah and Emily Lobsiger. He is predeceased by his parents and his brother, Martin Lobsiger.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, February 19, 2016 at First Baptist Church of Charlotte with Rev. Charles Snyder officiating, as well as missionary and longtime friend, Paul Dye. Visitation will be from 2:00 – 4:00 and 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 18, 2016 at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, as well as 10:00-11:00 a.m. on Friday, February 19 at the First Baptist Church of Charlotte. Interment will be in Maple Hill Cemetery, Charlotte. If desired, the family suggests memorial contributions to First Baptist Church of Charlotte or Eaton Community Palliative Care. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Bill on his tribute page at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com). The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **19**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Charlotte  
1110 S. Cochran Ave  
Charlotte, MI 48813

## Funeral Ceremony

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# Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of William Hugh Lobsiger



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 16, 2016 at 11:17 AM

JM

Tammy and family, sorry for your loss. Bill will be greatly missed. He was a wonderful Santa for our Youth Symphony concerts. The kids loved it.

Jack Mike - February 21, 2016 at 08:24 PM

AF

Very nice Tribute Video ❤️

Angie and Don Foster - February 22, 2016 at 10:17 AM

EL

I love you so much you are always going to be my grandfather and I will be your granddaughter forever see you in haven some day💜💔

emily lobsiger - March 13, 2016 at 09:06 PM

AF

“ We were very saddened to hear of Bill's passing. Our Son's And Daughter were students of his in elementary school. Bill was the one who started our son's Chris and Richie out in their musical interests in Jr. & Sr. High School. May he now RIP.  
Angie and Don Foster

Angie and Don Foster - February 22, 2016 at 10:05 AM

RP

“ Please pardon us for not being there this evening. We will see you tomorrow morning.  
Ray and I have fond memories of Bill, and thought highly of him. Being the musicians we have been throughout our lives was always a place where conversation began. The added blessing of sharing God's love was even better. We'd talk about an old hymn and the old hymnal in which it was found. We'd even find a old school song found!  
Thank you for letting us be a side line participant on this journey. Our prayers will continue through the days and nights ahead. May He be your comfort and shield. Loving you in Jesus, Ray and Carolyn Putney

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**Ray & Carolyn Putney** - February 18, 2016 at 06:46 PM

PA

“ Patricia A. purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of William Hugh Lobsiger .



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**Patricia A.** - February 18, 2016 at 07:47 AM

AM

“ I am very sorry for your family's loss. Mr. Lobsiger was the music teacher in my elementary school about 25 years ago. He always made music class so fun and exciting. He had a fun and gentle spirit. Once again, I am very sorry.

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**Abby (Pizana) Mares** - February 17, 2016 at 03:23 PM

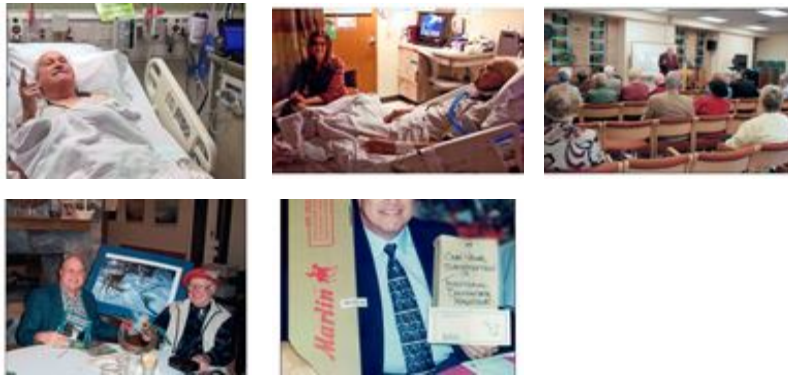
JW

*I met Bill when I started teaching music in Lansing. Throughout our years in the music dept, he always had a smile, a kind word of encouragement, and an optimistic presence that I believe came from inner peace and happiness. I am grateful that I got to know and work with Bill. I will remember his smile and I am sure God welcomed him Home with a smile.*

Judy Witt - February 21, 2016 at 08:02 PM



“ 32 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - February 16, 2016 at 10:53 AM

RG

“ *I always enjoyed my chats with Bill when he would come to Gardner to pick up his wife Tammy. He was kind, spoke gently of others and shared positive advice to me.*

*Randy Gilman*

Randy Gilman - February 15, 2016 at 10:38 AM

LJ

“ We were sorry to hear of Bill's passing. We were fortunate enough to have worked with Bill at North Elementary. His enthusiasm and love for music was an inspiration to young and old alike.

*Bill & Lori Johnson*

Lori Jackson - February 13, 2016 at 09:24 AM

LI

“ Liz lit a candle in memory of William Hugh Lobsiger



Liz - February 12, 2016 at 07:24 AM



“ Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of William Hugh Lobsiger .



February 11, 2016 at 07:11 PM

DS

“ Bill was one of the hardest working music teachers. He loved his students. He had the greatest smile and I loved his stories about fishing. I will miss this gentle loving man.

Diane Singletary - February 11, 2016 at 01:22 PM

NS

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Now you have to take care of each other.

*Norm and Elaine Siwak*

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**Norm & Elaine Siwak** - February 11, 2016 at 09:14 AM

ST

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Praying for peace for you and your family in the in the next few weeks and months to come.

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**sharon trumpie** - February 11, 2016 at 08:14 AM

NN

“ My Lazy Boy misses him! Lovely picture! We 'll miss Bill; great brother- in- law; confidant and friend.

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**Nancy Nikolai** - February 10, 2016 at 05:41 PM