



Mr. William Fleming Browne Jr

March 9, 1928 - April 30, 2017

William Fleming Browne Jr. passed away peacefully after a long struggle with Alzheimer's disease, April 30, 2017, at the North Carolina Veterans Home.

Mr. Browne was born in Memphis, TN on March 29, 1928. His family moved to Asheville in 1936. Fleming was educated in his early grade school years at St. Genevieve's of the Pines. He attended high school at Georgia Military Academy in College Park, GA. He graduated from Spring Hill College in Mobile, AL with a degree in Business. After enlisting in the US Air Force, Fleming was selected to be an instructor in the Officers Candidate School where he was stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX.

He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Marilyn Vincent Browne. He was preceded in death by his son Francis Vincent Browne. Surviving are his children: William Fleming Browne III (Trip) of Asheville, Maier Browne Runyon and husband Scott of Atlanta, Timothy Calnen Browne and late wife Stephanie of Asheville, Ellen Browne McGuire and husband Joe of Asheville, Laura Browne Livaudais and husband Durel of Asheville. He is also survived by 12 grandchildren, William Browne, Caroline Browne, Jonathan Runyon, Stephanie Runyon, Mary Elizabeth Runyon Johnson, Catherine Runyon, Lauren Browne, Lindsey Browne, Sarah Katherine McGuire, Caleb McGuire, Margaret Livaudais and Grace Livaudais, and two great grandchildren: Stella Runyon and Benjamin Runyon. He is also survived by his brother Ray Browne

and wife Brenda of Asheville, and many nieces and nephews.

Fleming was an active member of Saint Eugene's Catholic Church, where he served on the parish council. He also was a 4th Degree member of the Knights of Columbus. He was a member of the Country Club of Asheville where he served on the Board of Directors and was an avid golfer. He also served as President of the Appalachian Lumberman's Association.

His interest included travel, golf and time spent with family and friends.

A Rosary service and visitation will be held on Friday, May 5th at 5:00pm at Saint Eugene's Catholic Church, the Funeral will be Saturday, May 6th at 11:00am at St Eugene's Church.

In lieu of flowers the family ask that donations be made to Memory Care of Asheville, 100 Far Horizons Lane, Asheville, N.C. 28803

Cemetery Details

St. Eugene's Catholic Church Columbarium

72 Culvern Street
Asheville, NC 28804

Previous Events

Rosary

MAY 5. 5:00 PM (ET)

St. Eugene Catholic Church
72 Culvern Street
Asheville, NC 28801
<http://www.steugene.org>

Funeral Service

MAY 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Eugene Catholic Church
72 Culvern Street
Asheville, NC 28801
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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. William Fleming Browne Jr*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *The Browne family is in the Robinson's thoughts and prayers.*

Ray and Allison Robinson - May 07, 2017 at 07:40 PM



“ *Great guy and good friend. Never said a bad word about anyone. Will always remember our many rounds of golf together and good times on trips. Rest in peace. Charlie David*

charlie david - May 05, 2017 at 07:19 AM



“ *Blessings to such a great family. Your journey and endless loving support has been long and hard over the past several years. May you celebrate Fleming's life with great memories as you begin to heal your loss of his presence. God Bless you all.*

Mary McCawley - May 04, 2017 at 10:15 PM



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Mike Browne - May 04, 2017 at 05:02 PM

TA

“ I was proud to know Fleming and also proud to be friends with all his kids. He was a fine gentleman and a good father.

Tom Anders - May 04, 2017 at 02:09 PM

CP

“ As a young member at the Country Club of Asheville many years ago, Fleming was a role model to all of us as, not only a fine player, but a perfect gentleman in every way. I have always been an admirer, and enjoyed many rounds of golf with Fleming, Jim Downtin, Edgar Betty and others. I know, too, what a wonderful family that Fleming and Marilyn raised. My sympathies to all of the Brownes.

Charlie Price

Charlie Price - May 04, 2017 at 01:38 PM

LP

“ We are thinking of all of you. We remember your father fondly. Love and prayers, Arthur and Laurie Pappas

Laurie Pappas - May 03, 2017 at 05:23 PM

GM

“ Our condolences to Trip and the Browne family. Fleming was a good man, and will be missed. Gil & Carol Michael

Gil Michael - May 03, 2017 at 08:08 AM