



Mr. William Vesely, Jr.

January 28, 1942 - August 24, 2022

Mr. William Vesely, Jr., 80, transitioned into eternal rest on August 24, 2022 at his residence in Midlothian, VA.

Please join us in comforting the Vesely Family by uplifting them with your prayers.

Services of Celebration and Remembrance are pending.

Tribute Wall

MA

“ I am deeply saddened by the news of passing Dr. Bill Vesely no, a mentor, a colleague, and a friend of mine. I first met him at 1978 while he was at NRC. He was a dear friend, an adjunct member for my PhD thesis, and a colleague of 30 years. Rest in peace my friend.

Mohammad Ali Azarm - September 03, 2022 at 02:40 AM

OG

“ Bill was a good friend and the only one who could always explain statistics to me in understandable English. I will miss him.

Owen Greulich - August 31, 2022 at 08:54 AM

RD

“ I am so sorry to hear of Bill's passing. I first met Bill in 1973 in the early stages of the development of WASH-1400, the first risk study performed for nuclear power plants. Bill, Saul Levine (NRC), Joe Murphy (NRC) and Norm Rasmussen (MIT) were the principal developers of the methodology but Bill provided the underlying technical basis. In the years following WASH-1400 Bill joined Battelle Columbus Laboratories to work on further development of risk assessment methodology and had an office next to mine. Because of his expertise he was in constant demand. He had a whole wall dedicated to phone messages to which he had to respond but Bill established his own priorities. I would get phone calls from people in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission asking me to prompt Bill to respond to a question but Bill set his own agenda. Every nuclear risk analyst knows the name Bill Vesely because of the Vesely-Fussel risk measures that he developed in collaboration with Jerry Fussel (another well-known pioneer in risk assessment) and are used to focus nuclear power plant risk assessment on principal areas of concern. More recently Bill shifted from reactor risk assessment to support NASA in applying risk assessment techniques to assuring the safety of manned missions.

Richard Denning - August 28, 2022 at 08:23 AM

JM

Condolences to the Family and Friends of Bill Vesely, Jr. Bill was a professional whose contribution to safety practices made our world more safe for all who flew in space and operations on the ground. A kind and respected American. May he rest in Peace.

Jonathan B. Mullin - September 01, 2022 at 04:17 PM