



# Shane Sam Bills

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**S**hane (Sam) Edward Bills, age 59 of Mystic, Iowa entered into eternal life on Sunday morning, October 13, 2013 at Iowa Methodist Hospital, Des Moines, Iowa.

He was born on January 22, 1954 in Des Moines, Iowa, the son of Edward "Nip" and Shirley (Seals) Bills. Sam was raised in Des Moines. He was united in marriage to Connie Pollock on June 3, 1972 in Des Moines. He spent many years driving for the Yellow Cab Company. Sam later moved to Mystic to help operate the family business, The Mystic Auction House, where he and his brothers auctioneered. When the family business closed, Sam found himself auctioneering at Highway Five Auction, owned and operated by his good friends, Rob and Nedra Mudra.

Sam enjoyed gambling, playing cards, as well as calling for bingo. He often called bingo for the Mystic American Legion. Due to health issues, Sam was unable to auction or call bingo the last few years but he continued to attend auctions in order to buy and resell auction items. Sam enjoyed numerous other hobbies in his free time, including fishing with his kids and grandchildren, as well as camping with both family and friends. Most importantly, he cherished the time he spent with his friends and family, especially the grandchildren.

Sam is survived by his wife, Connie Bills of Mystic, Iowa; sons Jason "Bob" Bills of Des Moines, Iowa and Travis Bills of Centerville, Iowa; a daughter, Jill Jones of Plano, Iowa; grandchildren Payton Bills of Des Moines, Iowa, Noelle Bills of Centerville, Iowa and Nathan Jones of Plano, Iowa; brothers Walter Bills of Mystic, Iowa, Mark (Marcia) Bills of Centerville, Iowa, Dan "Boon" (Becky) Bills of Mystic, Iowa; sister-in-laws Gaylene (Bill) Rick of Des Moines, Iowa and Vickie Salsberry of Centerville, Iowa; a brother-in-law Marty Northway of Des Moines, Iowa; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward "Nip" and Shirley Bills; a sister-in-



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law, Judy Hayes; and a brother-in-law, Gary Bills.

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM, Thursday, October 17, 2013 at Lange Funeral Home and Crematory in Centerville with Pastor Michael McKissick officiating. A visitation will be held on Wednesday, October 16 at Lange Funeral Home and Crematory from 9 AM-8PM, with the family present from 6-8 PM. Burial will follow in the Elgin Cemetery, Mystic, Iowa. Memorials have been established to the family of Sam Bills and may be given to Lange Funeral Home and Crematory, 1900 S. 18th St., Centerville, Iowa, 52544. Condolences may be shared online at [www.langefh.com](http://www.langefh.com).

### Visitation

October 16, 2013 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Lange Funeral Home 1900 S. 18th St. Centerville, IA (641) 856-2000

### Funeral Service

October 17, 2013 11:00 AM

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**Thomas Funeral Home** posted:

October 21 at 12:44 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I love and miss you dad, me and noelle both, where ever she is this moment I'm sure you and I are in her thoughts, I'm sorry I didn't put my foot down with lucy when it came down to Noelle visiting you more often, but I didn't know I had any legal leverage like I know I now know. Today was the hardest day I've ever had in years if any, it seems like all my troubles got stacked to high for to long and just came down on me all of a sudden. Love you and miss you old man R.I.P Posted by Travis Bills - mystic, IA - son March 15, 2014

January 4 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My heartfelt sympathy goes out to the Bills Family at the loss of Sam. I pray that The Lord comforts you now and always. Amen. Posted by Mark Cochran October 20, 2013

January 4 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Connie and Family , I will always remember Sam as a kind and caring person as well as a great cousin! i can remember going out to my Aunt Shirley's and Uncle Edwards home on Saturday nights as our parents played poker we had the pool table to shoot pool on and listen to music or listen to our parents and Grandfather play music those were good times i will never forget , you will be missed Sam rest in peace cousin and if you happen to see my Mom and Dad give them a hug from me tell them i miss them dearly RIP Sam Posted by Marla ( Barach ) DeI Carmen - Des Moines, IA - Cousin October 17, 2013

January 4 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Mr. Bills was a genuinely good person. He was always so friendly. I am so sorry for your loss, Connie. I will be keeping you in prayer. Posted by Staci - IA October 17, 2013

January 4 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. Tom and I always liked Sam. He was a very kind person. Posted by Janet Demry - Centerville, IA - Friend October 16, 2013

January 4 at 7:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

What can you say about a super friend. We'd known Sam since our little ones played together when their family lived in Des Moines. As our kids grew and they moved to Mystic, we'd still get together for birthdays, graduations, marriages, and of course camping and fishing. Sam was always right there with the bait ready to take me fishing while Bill worked the night shift. Then Bill would make it down to the lake ready to fish first thing in the morning and we'd already have a ton caught. Sam could always find the fish...he talked a lot, but he still caught the big ones. He'd take us to play bingo on Wed. evenings, when we were camping out at the lake. Ours grandkids love that. He was like a 2nd grandpa to our grandkids...He always made them feel SO special, as he did everyone. He was always laughing...cracking a joke, but there were times when he was serious...he was always thinking about Connie and the boys. He was always looking for things to sell for the auction, or buy for Connie...it took him 3 weeks to decide what type of fruit tree he wanted for his back yard...and Christmas was pretty fun. I was so surprised he knew exactly what he was going to get Connie...little did I know, she wrote it down, color, style and size. He never told me that until I believe it was the last year he worked for Bill thru the holiday. Sam was a great listener, not just mmm, or okay, he really listened...he also knew how to eat...which came in handy when I had him be my taster when I was trying out new recipes. Sam really enjoyed life...and made sure whoever was with him enjoyed it too. He was truly a great friend, and a fantastic human being. ..We're going to miss our friend, and I'm sure there will be times that Bill or I will say let's call Sam and Connie, and then take a minute to stop and think about all the wonderful, wonderful memories we made with them. We'll think of him often & always with Love. Posted by Bill and Lori Bates - Des Moines, IA - friends October 16, 2013

January 4 at 7:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

when he went hunting yrs ago he would bring me squirrels & rabbits and my mom would fry them up for me. he was a good friend.. prayers and thoughts with his wife, connie and his kids. rest in peace, sam. Posted by roberta buban - centerville, IA - friend October 14, 2013

January 4 at 7:00 PM



## Media

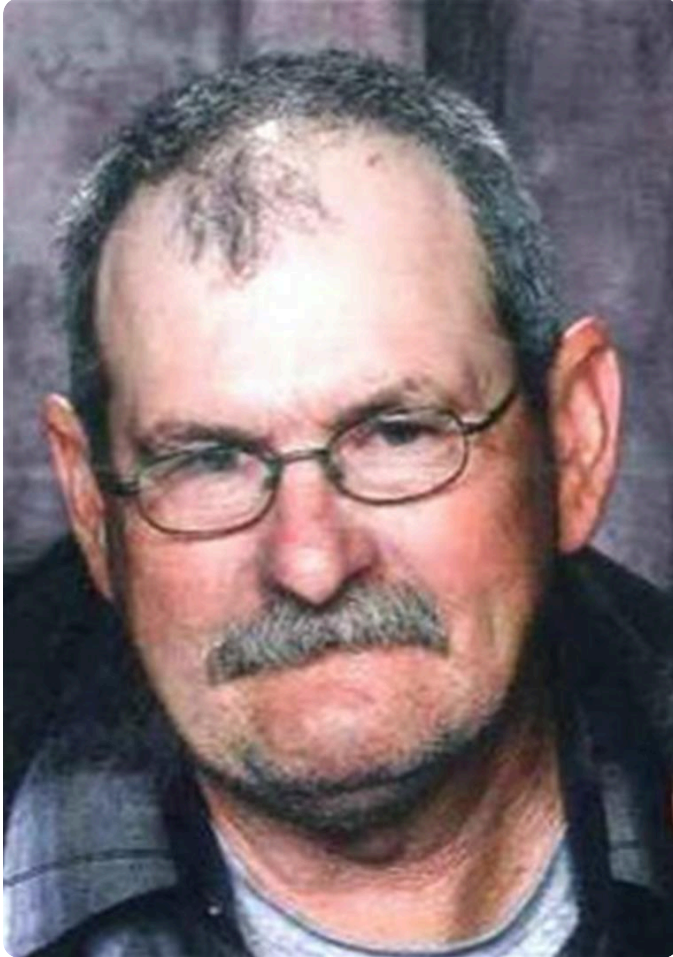
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