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WILLIAM "BILLY" KNOX

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William (Billy) Knox, age 87, passed away peacefully, April 7, 2018 in Crystal River Rehabilitation Center. He was born April 30, 1930 in Sugarcreek, Ohio. He was raised for a time by his Uncle Claude Stevanus in Sugarcreek, Ohio.

He was recruited by coach Max Douglas to Newark High School where he lettered in both baseball and basketball and graduated in 1948. Bill was an avid sports fan and an exceptional athlete and went on to play semi-professional baseball for various farm teams including his favorite, Saint Louis Cardinals. An elbow injury ended his baseball career. Bill went on to become a Professional Golf Superintendent and spent several years at Moundbuilders Country Club and Licking Springs Trout Club in Newark Ohio and Scioto Country Club in Columbus Ohio and then retired to Beverly Hills, Florida.

He was preceded in death by his wife Frances (Stare) Knox Riggs, companion Lynn Jones, parents, Jesse Knox and Florence (Stevanus) Koehler; two sisters, Mary (Don) Koehler and Harriet (Buzz) Dyer. He is survived by three daughters, Claudia (Ray) Nethers, Laura (Scott Korstick) Knox and Brenda (Richard) Mossholder; ten grandchildren, Errin (Bryan) Howard, Bo (Libby) Hitchens, Sarah Hitchens, Ashley (Dylan Gaunder) Farrow, Michael (Lindy) Farrow, Jaden Korstick, David Nethers and Katie (Shane) Lowe; ten great grandchildren, Taylor, Hannah and Zachary Howard, Libby and Liam Hitchens, Shaylee, Brynlee, and Brantlee Nethers and McKenzie and Dillion Lowe. He is also survived by three brothers, Jim (Wanda) Knox, Steve (Judy) Knox and Donald (Pat) Palmer as well as several nieces and nephews as well as his caregiver Susan Druss.

Brown Funeral Home in Lecanto, Florida will be handing Mr Knox's last wishes which included no public viewing or services. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the [charity of your choice](#).

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