William George Davidson

William G. Davidson III died on 6 January 2019 in Sun City Center, FL. "Bill" was born on 28 October 1938, at Fort Benning, GA, to William G. Davidson Jr. (West Point '32), a career Army officer and Dorthea Wright Davidson. A 1956 graduate of Culver Military Academy, Bill was an Emily Jane Culver Scholar, participated in varsity swimming and crew, was on the Dean's List, a member of Blue Key, a second lieutenant in the infantry and graduated with honors in history. In memory of his parents, he created the William G. and Dorothea W. Davidson Scholarship, for qualified candidates for admission to Culver who could not otherwise afford to attend.

Following active and reserve Navy service as a lieutenant commander (1960-1967), Bill received his MBA in finance from the Wharton Graduate School, University of Pennsylvania (1969), and juris doctor from Suffolk University Law School (1974). He enjoyed successful careers in financial management, law and higher education.

Bill practiced law after being admitted to the Ohio (1975) Maryland (1980), District of Columbia (1981), Virginia (1982), state, federal, and U.S. Tax and Supreme Court bars. He was also licensed as a Maryland Certified Public Accountant (1984).

Bill taught at a number of colleges and universities, including the Master of Science in Taxation at Southeastern University (1971-1986). He served on the faculty of Bowie State University in Bowie, MD, as a professor of accounting and business law (1987-2017), and as an associate professor; receiving tenure in 1992. In 2005, he was appointed for a year as Assistant Vice President of Finance and Administration. He was in charge of obtaining business accreditation in 2001 for the college of business and reaffirmation in 2009. He taught accounting, business law and finance, on both the graduate and undergraduate levels for 30 years after completing a multifaceted early career in upper level management in private industry; including positions with Allied Chemical Corporation of New York, Dennison Manufacturing Company, (1970-1974), Premix, Inc. (1975-1978) and General Business Services, Inc., (1979-1983.)

While on the faculty of Bowie State University, he also served on a number of committees and boards, including the Rank and Tenure Committee and the Presidential and Provost Search Committees.