

SELF-INSURANCE INDUSTRY PIONEER BILL BENNETT PASSES

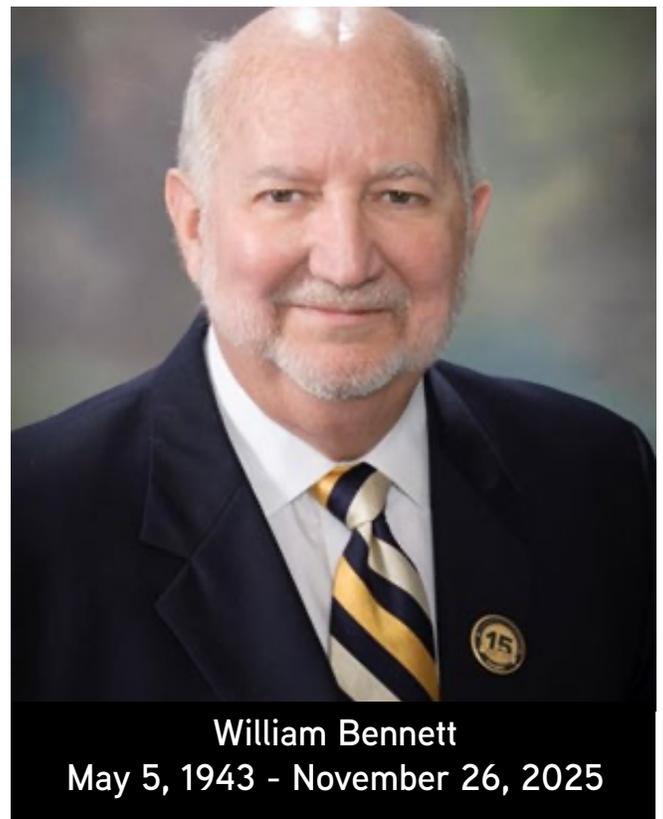
Bill Bennett, one of the early leaders in the self-insurance industry, has passed away. He was 82.

Bill was very active in the Self-Insurance Institute of America (SIIA), including serving as board chairman.

Other professional organization affiliations included: Society of Professional Benefit Administrators, National Association of Health Underwriters, Self-Insurance Educational Foundation and the International Foundation of Employee Benefits.

Over his long career, he was affiliated with multiple companies that have helped shape today's self-insurance industry, including:

- WORKsiteRx (acquired by CareATC)
- Healthcare Solutions Group, Inc
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WHAT SOME OF HIS INDUSTRY PEERS HAD TO SAY ABOUT BILL

"Bill had a unique leadership style and his ability to weave humor into any serious discussion and used his one-liners to turn any negative into a positive," said Jim Kinder, Co-founder and former CEO of The Self-Insurance Institute of America (SIIA). "He was a master at making his point using humor but never losing sight of his real message. This style enabled Bill to control discussions and ultimately win for the industry he so dearly loved and supported."

"Bill was involved in the early promotion of the self-insurance concept for employee healthcare benefit plans," said Steve Stucky, founder of S.P. Stucky, a pioneering stop-loss MGU. "He started a TPA and successfully serviced many clients. He was always known as a 'Class Act' and served with integrity. It was my privilege to have him as a friend and colleague."

"When I was a newly minted stop-loss underwriter, I called on Bill and his wife, Yvonne, at First Southwest Risk Management, a TPA he founded based in Tampa, Florida," said Ernie Clevenger, Editor of MyHealthGuide Newsletter. "Bill instantly made me feel at home, but he pushed me through the hoops to justify using our stop-loss program at American Progressive Benefits with his self-funded clients. Slowly, I won his confidence, and we were friends for over 40 years."

"Later, Bill and I worked together at CareATC, an on-site clinic manager founded by Ron Woods, also founder of the TPA, Health Cost Solutions, and past Chairman of SIIA. "After CareATC, Bill founded WORKsiteRx, and I founded CareHere (both were on-site clinic managers). CareATC later acquired WORKsiteRx," added Clevenger. ■

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