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Boyd, William "Bill", 53, of St Petersburg, Fl., passed away Monday, May 17, 2010. He moved to the Tampa Bay area over 15 years ago. He is preceded in death by his sister Meg. He is survived by his mother Barbara Pangacian, father Ronald (Mary Ann), sisters Cathy/Kelly (Roger) Bernero, and Kathy O'Neill, brother Jimmy (Michelle), 7 nephews, 1 niece and many special friends.



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BW

Bill Walsh posted:

Like most of us, learning that Bill had passed on was a real shocker. I knew Bill was dealing with something awful since he needed to take a significant time away from work. Through friends of Bill I learned of the treatments he was going through and that there was hope that he would return to the office early in the summer. In fact days before his passing I learned that he was doing much better and I was looking forward to catching up with him when he returned. I will miss Bill's sense of humor, his passion for his job and his friendship.

May 19 at 8:12 AM

JH

Julie Harvey posted:

Bill worked in a team under contract to the Dept of Veterans Affairs. I worked with him at the VA here for about 5 years until his last October when he began medical treatments. We were anticipating his return. I can't recall anything he was not completely passionate about that didn't have both his feet in and fully committed. He could win a 'name that tune' contest in 2 notes and had a wicked memory about all obscure trivia about music, movies and other entertainments that most people could not challenge. At times he was one big pain in my ass with that same passion when he disagreed but at all times, given the request to run with something, run he did until he was satisfied it was completed to his standards and I would be surprised if he didn't do that in every aspect of his life. His commitment to others in his life which he spoke about, and his charities and other activities were all total commitments. In learning about Bill from a professional perspective, his resume showed a man who was not afraid of challenges, unknowns, or foreign places/experiences. When he spoke of his time in the middle east he spoke with great hindsight of the trepidation and exhilaration of what he had been faced with adapting to. I think both emotions are what I can say I saw in Bill that he fought and won every day... moments of uncertainty followed by enthusiasm followed by exhilaration. While Bill exuded confidence from all pores he had his moments when he let you in to the other side of his public face and those were the most valuable moments I had with Bill, learning what was most important to him, sharing where his passion came from, hearing what he wanted you to understand about him, and what he committed his life to. I hope his commitment to his ideals and his causes found their way into a equally impassioned new custodian as he moved on to still another new unknown experience and that he found exhilaration when all was done. My condolences to his father, who I know was with him through these last few months and who meant a great deal to him.

May 17 at 6:26 PM



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DT

Donna Thomas posted:

Bill and I worked together for over 2 years, just before he started treatment. We shared views on many things and enjoyed great conversation. Bill was intelligent and fun, experienced and exacting. Bill helped to save my life in 2007, and without him I don't know that I would be here. My family sends our sympathy to his family and friends. Bill was appreciated and he will be missed.

May 18 at 10:24 AM

JS

Jeff Simon posted:

My sympathies go out to Bill's family and friends. His coworkers and I were anticipating his return to work in June. To go from a hard fought battle he seemed to be on the verge of winning just recently, to his sudden passing was deeply saddening. Rest in Peace Bill Boyd.

May 18 at 10:01 AM

JJ

Jose Jorge posted:

Worked closely with Bill in my last year in the US (1996). We had a difficult task ahead of us and he was instrumental in helping our team to get things done. I learned a lot from him about keeping the cool under pressure. Unfortunately, I cannot go to the US for his memorial services. But I'm honored we have worked together and sincerely wish he rests in peace.

May 17 at 6:26 PM



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