



# William Julian Povolish

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**W**illiam “ Julian Povolish, 70, passed away on April 20, 2025, in St. Petersburg, Florida. He was born on August 25, 1954, to the late Leo Joseph and Gertrude Catherine (Kuberski) Povolish of Swanwick, Illinois.

He graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1972 and earned a Bachelor of Church Ministry from The Sure Foundation Theological Institute in 2005.

"Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? Or when did we see you sick, or in prison, and come to You? And the King will answer and say to them, assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me." This quote from Jesus so embodies the life Bill lived as a wholehearted follower of Jesus Christ his Lord and Savior. From his initial salvation experience as a teenager, Bill began faithfully ministering to those in need of good news. In coffee shops, on the streets, in nursing homes, within his own family, in adult and children's Bible studies, at county fairs – wherever there were people -- you could find Bill releasing the unconditional love of Jesus, tirelessly and compassionately pouring out to meet whatever need he could, serving the least of these. Bill was actively involved in an outreach ministry, the Godmobile, for many years, praying with hundreds of people who received Jesus as their personal Savior. He was a soul winner who loved to share his faith! Even on Christmas morning, Bill could be found preaching the good news and feeding the homeless and poor sleeping on the streets of Seattle. Most recently, Bill functioned not only as an evangelist but a pastor, presenting Sunday morning services to the elderly and shut-ins. If he wasn't studying for his message, he was transporting these friends to the doctor, the drugstore, or perhaps the grocery store. Everyone else's needs came before his own time and time again. Bill never shunned serving as Jesus instructed, even the least of these. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered by those who knew him. Now he is enjoying his rewards in the Presence of his Heavenly Father, and the lineup of those coming to say thank you, for a life well-lived is, we are sure, quite long!



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Bill is survived by his children, Christopher Joseph Povolish and Andrew David Povolish; his grandchildren, Nora Povolish, Mason Povolish, and Griffin Povolish, and his siblings (oldest to youngest), Louis Povolish, Barbara Gullett, Josephine Povolish, Clarence Povolish, Tom Povolish, and Irene Fournier. Preceding him in death are his parents, Leo and Gertrude, and siblings, Joanna Moore, and Theodore Povolish. He also leaves behind many cherished friends and extended family members.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, April 28, at 12:00 Noon at Memorial Park Funeral Home and Cemetery, 5750 49th Street North, St. Petersburg, Florida, 33709.



# Events

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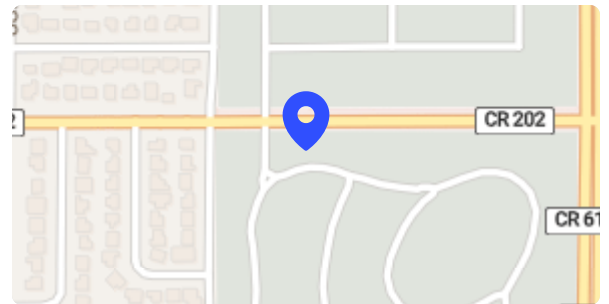
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## Funeral

**Monday**, April 28, 2025

12:00 PM ET

**Memorial Park Funeral Home**  
5750 49th Street North, St. Petersburg FL 33709

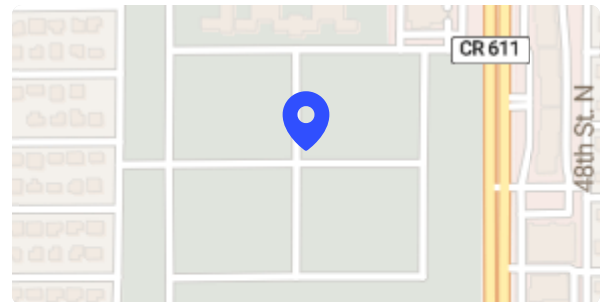


## Burial

**Monday**, April 28, 2025

1:00 PM ET

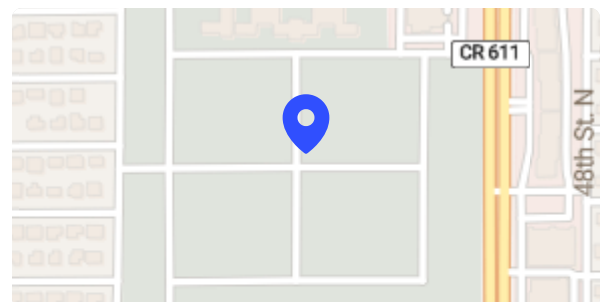
**Memorial Park Cemetery**  
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## Cemetery Details

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**(727) 369-8228**





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**Memorial Park Funeral Home** shared a **Webcast Video**.

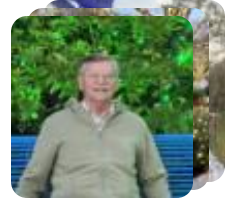
April 28 at 9:34 AM



**Wanda Cassel** shared 3 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

William's Faith Has Turned To Sight!

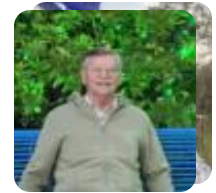
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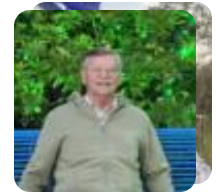
July 2 at 12:53 PM



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July 2 at 12:44 PM





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**Tony Fournier** posted:

Bill was more than my brother-in-law. He was my brother in Christ, a partner and fellow minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and my friend. Bill modeled a life devoted to his natural and spiritual family, fueled by a passion to bring as many others as possible into His Father's house, going into the highways and byways, compelling them to come in. He did not faint at getting into the trenches with those who were downtrodden or oppressed, always ready to roll up his sleeves and help them through the messy stuff of life. Now Bill has finished his race and is experiencing the fullness of Jesus' words to His disciples: "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also." John 14:1-3 (ESV) I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing. 2 Timothy 4:7-8 NKJV Tony Fournier Culpeper, Virginia

May 8 at 5:36 PM



**Carrie Gullett** lit a candle in honor of William.

Uncle Bill you truly were a pure heart. I will always cherish and hold you in my heart. From the crazy road trip to the family reunion to the times we talked on the phone you always made me feel closer to God when I was around you. Love Carrie Jean



April 29 at 11:17 PM



**From Your Sis, Josephine And Family** sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Povolish family.



April 26 at 11:06 PM



**Robert Fournier** posted:

I remember Uncle Bill for always being there for people. He was always kind and patient with me and I remember him teaching Sunday kids class for the home ministry we were in. I remember him coming to events when he could when I was in high school like basketball games and my graduation. I remember him for helping in any way he could and being a consistent example of having faith and persistence. Love you Uncle Bill! I know you're in a better place.

April 26 at 10:27 PM



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**Margie Kingry** shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Bill & I shared many walks in WA State before he moved to FL. This photo was taken at the Des Moines Marina.

April 26 at 7:27 PM



**Dave & Rebecca Goodman And Arun Kumar** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of William.

April 26 at 4:47 PM



**Dave & Rebecca Goodman And Arun Kumar** sent a Fairest of All to the Povolish family.

April 26 at 4:47 PM





## Media

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## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring William by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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