



## William "Bill" D. Powell

January 20, 1945 - January 4, 2020

William D. Powell, "Bill," 74 of Charlotte, NC passed away peacefully on January 4, 2020 with his family at his side, after a brief battle with cancer.

Bill was born January 20, 1945 in Statesville, NC. He was a proud graduate of Statesville High School in 1963 and attended Lenoir-Rhyne College. He served in the Army National Guard, stationed in Mooresville, NC. Bill was employed by Sweetheart Cup Co. and retired after 32 years, making valuable lifelong friendships along the way. Bill loved his family, music, playing golf, being a BBQ connoisseur, baseball, finding the humor in everything, making others laugh, and most of all his beloved Tar Heels!

Bill was preceded in death by his parents, Albert and Lillian Powell, and by many beloved aunts and uncles. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Joyce N. Powell; son Neal and his wife, Sandy and their children Noah and Caroline; daughter Emily Carroll and her husband, Jon Paul and their children Hannah and Sophie; brother Paul and his wife, Robyn; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

"In lieu of flowers, friends may make contributions in memory of Bill to the Children's Miracle Network supporting Levine Children's Hospital in honor of his granddaughter Hannah Carroll.

<https://fundraise.atriumhealthfoundation.org/give/255923/#!/donation/checkout>

by selecting Children's Miracle Network under "What would you like your donation to support."

or to Novant Health Presbyterian Medical Center Foundation, Hospice General Fund. <https://www.novanthealth.org/presbyterian-medical-center/giving.aspx>

A celebration of his life will follow at a later date. In keeping with his wishes, this celebration will capture his sense of humor and quick wit. It will be filled with his friends and family laughing and telling the stories of his life accompanied with good BBQ, music, and free flowing beer.

# Tribute Wall



“ *William "Bill" D. Powell*

October 05, 2023 at 07:26 AM



“ *William "Bill" D. Powell*

October 24, 2022 at 08:52 PM



“ *I worked with Bill at Sweetheart in the 80's my favorite memory of him was captured at my wedding in 1991 by my photographer....when he walked around the reception hall wearing Karen Dyar Askins Bridesmaid high heels.....blue satin WAS his color for sure!!! I have soooo many fun time memories of Bill And his antics! Greatest salesman EVER too! Cheers to his wonderful life*

Wendy Slater Kemp - January 10, 2020 at 04:47 PM



“ *I worked for many years with Billy. He was a gentle man a friend and always fun to be around. He will be missed by all that knew him.*

Harold Klitsberg - January 09, 2020 at 05:40 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William "Bill" D. Powell.*



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January 08, 2020 at 08:05 PM



“ *I have known Bill from our many years in the Paper business as we called it. Bill had a great personality and was well liked by everyone. We usually ran into each other at the various food shows in the Charlotte area. We liked to meet for a BBQ lunch and then go to Tony's for dessert. It was a chocolate milkshake in a cup that Bill had designed with Sweetheart. He will be missed but not forgotten.*

*Thurman Linker*

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**Thurman Linker** - January 07, 2020 at 03:38 PM



“ *ALL [ !!] of my memories of Bill are wonderful. a nice ,fine man -- easy and enjoyable to be around--because his warm, sincere and humorous personality. all of the Gertzman family sends sincere sympathy and we know his memory will always be a blessing to all who knew and loved him*

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**jeri gertzman** - January 07, 2020 at 09:38 AM

TG

*I know that Bill will rest well knowing what an awesome family he watch grow and flourish. I wish he had more time with you all. Thank God for all of your fond memories. Steve and I send our love.*

**Tamara Gertzman** - January 07, 2020 at 07:07 PM



“ *When I noticed the announcement that there would be free-flowing beer at Bill’s celebration that brought up a really pleasant memory. Bill and I had daughters who were best friends at the age where they did Halloween Trick or Treat. A third friend and I took our daughters to Bill’s house so that the three girls could go through the neighborhood together. When we walked in Bill’s house he handed the other guy and me a beer mug saying that we shouldn’t start the walk without sustenance.*

*Soon after we started following the three girls along we each ran out of beer. At the very next house, Bill walked up behind the girls and held up his mug saying: Trick or Treat! The fellow who and answered the door immediately turned around and walked back into his house. He brought out 3 beers and filled our mugs. As I remember, it only took about six more houses before the mugs were empty and Bill walked right up behind the girls and did it again. The same thing happened. In fact, that happened over and over. It was a very friendly neighborhood.*

*The end of that memory is a little foggy for me, but I do remember following the girls home instead of leading them.*

*Bob Vines  
El Paso, Tx.*

**Robert Vines** - January 07, 2020 at 08:58 AM

KH

“ Neal, I will never forget your Dad, Bill. I feel blessed to have spent some time with him on our trips. I will always remember his desire to get some 'custard' in Gettysburg and how much he enjoyed it. May the Great Comforter place his arms around your entire family.



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**Ken Hollar** - January 06, 2020 at 08:04 PM

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Joyce and all the kids, Bill was always a very sweet kind man ! His kidding was fun and I'm sure he doted on all his kids!! You were a very lucky and blessed bunch! 😊😊😊😊😊😊

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**Pat Felty** - January 07, 2020 at 05:43 PM

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Love you Aunt Pat

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**Pat Felty** - January 07, 2020 at 05:44 PM

BS

“ Our many trips together have left me with some wonderful memories! Searching for frozen Custard in Pennsylvania, laughing over story after story across Tennessee and your red, sweaty forehead while eating the Nashville Hot Chicken will remain with me forever! We will miss you Putter!

*Bill Shaffer*

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**Bill Shaffer** - January 06, 2020 at 08:00 PM