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William “Bill” Johnstone Burroughs, 81, of Tampa, FL, passed away on May 11th 2024 peacefully in his sleep. Bill was born on May 11th, 1943 to Margaret and John Burroughs in St. Petersburg, FL. Bill was an avid athlete his entire life; excelling at football and shotput. Bill went on to play football for the University of Miami and was a die-hard Hurricanes fan. Bill went on to run his family’s flower shop, Flowers Unlimited, in St. Petersburg, FL. Bill was a wonderful and devoted father, husband and friend and known for his sense of humor.

Bill is survived by his wife, Penny; his children, Cristina (Josh Heitel), William “Beau” (Amanda Wallace), and his grandchildren Cameron and Naomi. Bill is also survived by his brother, John and sister, Ann.



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Marti L Willcox posted:

EVERY DAY WE THINK OF YOU ALL THE GOOD TIMES, WE HAVE SO MANY MEMORIES AND WE LOOK AT THE FRONT DOOR THINKING YOUR RUNNING LATE BECAUSE BIG BACK UP ON INTERSTATE.NOW IAM ALWAYS PUTTING MY PHONE DOWN AND I CAN NEVER FINE IT JUST LIKE YOU LOL WE MISS YOU SO MUCH TAH SAYS SHE CAN STILL SMELL YOUR SMOKE FROM YOUR CIGARETTES SHE IS GOING TO TAKE YOU TO THAILAND NEXT TIME SHE GOES (YOUR PICTURE) LOL WE WILL NEVER FORGET YOU LOVE FROM ALL YOUR FLOWERS UNLIMITED FAMILY AND FRIENDS

July 9 at 11:51 AM



David Gross posted:

Billy was the kindest and most generous person anyone could imagine. First met him in 1977 while serving my internship at Robert Easter Funeral Home in Gulfport. Always a smile, and encouraging words for this 'kid' just starting his career. As the years passed and I opened my own funeral home, I bought all my flowers from his shop. Most of the time he would deliver them personally. Always asking about how my family was doing, and regularly dispensing dating advice for my young sons. Always remembered my staff at the holidays. He was as genuine as genuine could be, the real deal with the biggest heart, and just a wonderful person to know. My condolences to the entire Burroughs family during this sad time.-David Gross

May 31 at 4:15 PM



Sean posted:

Words can not express how saddened to hear of the passing of Bill, Wild Bill as I liked to call him. He was a man who always knew how to make you laugh and always genuinely cared about you. There are many countless memories and stories I have of and with Bill. I loved him as if he was part of my family. He will be greatly missed but never forgotten.

May 28 at 11:05 AM



To Y Woodworth posted:

All the staff of Flowers Unlimited in Saint Petersburg are saddened by the passing of our employer and very good friend. There never was a better employer, we will miss you very much, Bill. Tony Woodworth

May 24 at 2:51 PM



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Melanie posted:

Dear Penny and family, I am so saddened to hear of Billy's passing. ❤️ You are in my thoughts and prayers 🙏

May 19 at 4:57 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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