



William G. Pokorny

October 17, 1951 - October 31, 2022

William “Bill” G. Pokorny, II, 71, of Delmar, passed away peacefully on Monday, October 31, 2022, at Coastal Hospice at the Lake in Salisbury. He was born October 17, 1951, in Mineola, New York, a son of the late William G. Pokorny and Ruth Fisher Pokorny.

Bill graduated from Carle Place High School in Mineola, New York with the class of '69. He earned his master's degree in community mental health counseling from Long Island University after earning his undergraduate degree. He devoted his life to helping people as a therapist and worked up until his health would no longer allow. For several years he owned his own practice before working for several organizations and most recently Delaware Guidance in Seaford.

Throughout the years, Bill had many interests. He set up elaborate, large model railroad layouts and was most interested in the history of the Pennsylvania Railroad and the Long Island Railroad. He was an active member of the Delmarva Model Railroad Club for many years. He also had a love for Corvettes, owning his own and belonging to the Eastern Shore Corvette Club, and the Beachcombers Corvette Club. Bill looked forward to holidays with family and friends and especially adored Christmas and Halloween. He will be remembered for his elaborate decorating, dressing up for Halloween to take the grandkids trick-or-treating and spooking up his front porch. In Bill's eyes you could never decorate too much. He also loved old horror movies and Sci-fi movies, especially ones from the 50's and 60's. Bill

had a special place in his heart for pets and absolutely adored his dogs, "Chewie" and "Jazzy." He will be remembered as a loving and wonderful husband, father and grandfather who would do anything for his family.

He is survived by his wife of 14 years, Sylvia Collins Nichols; daughters, Kara Berglund and companion, Kenny Kelly and Stacey Nichols-Saunders and husband, Daman; sons, Brett Berglund and Lee Berglund; granddaughters, Maci Schultz and Paige Kelly; grandson, Charles Rhem; brother, Tom Milton; sister, Ellen Pokorny Deister; and several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

A visitation for family and friends will be held on Saturday, November 12, 2022, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 at Short Funeral Home in Delmar, followed by a funeral service which will begin at 12:00. Interment will be private at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Humane Society of Wicomico County, 5130 Citation Drive, Salisbury, MD 21804.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **12.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Short Funeral Home
13 East Grove Street
Delmar, DE 19940
(302) 846-2525
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Short Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William G. Pokorny*



Short Funeral Home - November 12, 2022 at 09:32 AM

GP

“ *I had not seen Bill since our graduation from CPHS in 1969 though I followed his Facebook presence. He lingers in my memory as a funny -possibly quirky- guy; he was always thinking outside the box. But his warm sense of humor and thoughtful gentility is etched indelibly upon my mind. Please accept my sincere condolences on Bill's passing.
Godspeed, Bill.*

Glen Palmer - November 11, 2022 at 03:03 PM



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Short Funeral Home - November 09, 2022 at 01:39 PM

LH

“ Bill was my office neighbor and work "BFF" at Delaware Guidance. We spent many lunches together laughing and chatting about his love of trains, Woodstock, the Beatles, and living in Long Island. I even found him a Beatles T-shirt and I was able to visit him and take this picture. There are too many memories of laughing till crying to ever forget my work friend Mr. Bill. Till we meet again in Strawberry Fields, XO Laura



Laura Harper - November 04, 2022 at 09:22 PM

DB

So sorry for your loss. Bill was always a very kind, wonderful great guy.

Donna Bodnar - November 06, 2022 at 12:03 PM

RC

“ Although I have not seen him in a awhile, it was a great pleasure meeting him and working on his home (house repairs) we became social friends and he was always kind and a great person to speak with. He will be missed.

Randall Chapman - November 04, 2022 at 06:33 PM

DM

“ I was graced with Bill's presence when he came to celebrate Paige's 18th birthday last month. He left an indelible impression on me with his warmth and clear delight in being among his family. May his memory be a blessing.

Dee McCarthy - November 03, 2022 at 09:20 PM

PJ

“ My sincerest condolences to Mr Bill's family. I had the pleasure of working with him at Delaware Guidance for several years. I will always remember how his eyes would light up when talking about his beloved dogs, and his trains. Rest in Peace, Mr. Bill.

Phyllis Jerman - November 03, 2022 at 06:54 PM



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Short Funeral Home - November 03, 2022 at 05:13 PM



Sending my condolences to Sylvia and family.

Robyn Hawkins - November 05, 2022 at 11:03 AM