



James Gilbert (Pete) Powell

July 22, 1936 - March 28, 2015

James Gilbert (Pete) Powell, 78 went home to his Father's house in heaven on March 28, 2015. James was surrounded by his family at his home in Montgomery, Texas after his courageous battle with cancer.

James was born in Memphis, Tennessee on July 22, 1936 to Jim and Mamie Powell. After high school, he served three years in the Army Airborne Division. He went on to graduate from Memphis State University where he met the love of his life, Velma. He started his career in sales with Motorola and finished his career as President/CEO of Elder Leasing Company. During his working career, he lived in many U. S. cities and traveled abroad. After his retirement, he had time to enjoy his many interests; golf with his buddies in the early morning Sandbagger group at April Sound CC, tennis, gin- rummy, reading, politics, history and especially his many Bible Studies. James was an active member of Living Savior Lutheran Church in Montgomery, Texas.

James leaves behind his wife of 55 years, Velma Shankman Powell; his two sons, James Gilbert Powell, Jr., Steven Bart Powell and his wife Lucy; a daughter, Deborah Powell Houghtaling and her husband Greg. James leaves behind 9 grandchildren; Christine, Jimmy, Brandon and Stephanie Powell; Ashley Houghtaling Gooch and her husband Weston; Lexie and Paige Houghtaling, Jennifer and Bart Powell. James leaves behind 2 sisters, Helen Ewing, Betty Jo Buck and her husband David; many nieces, nephews and

friends. He had 2 sisters, Irene and Pauline who preceded him in death.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, April 1st from 6-8 p.m. at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home, 20850 Eva St., Montgomery, Texas 77356. Celebration of James' life will be held on Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 11:30 a.m. by Pastor David R. Bailes at Living Savior Lutheran Church, 309 Pond Street, in Montgomery, Texas 77356. Family burial will follow at Garden Park Cemetery in Conroe, Texas. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Living Savior Lutheran Church Memorial Fund.

You are invited to leave written condolences at www.shmfh.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Montgomery
10129 FM 1097 Rd W
Willis, TX 77318
(936) 890-0454
greg@shmfh.com
<https://www.shmfh.com>

Service

APR 2. 11:30 AM (CT)

Living Savior Lutheran Church
309 Pont Street
Montgomery, TX 77356

Tribute Wall



“ *James Gilbert (Pete) Powell*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Sorry to hear about Jim. I just saw it on the funeral home's website while looking at something else. The church still sends me emails about unimportant stuff but nothing about this.*

Donald & Debbie Folk - April 20, 2015 at 04:04 PM



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David Buck - April 03, 2015 at 04:56 PM

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“ *Deborah & family,
My heart is with you all!
As I really did not know your Dad except
through the the wonderful stories you have
shared I will always remember that he and my
Mom went to be with the Lord on the same day just hours apart.
I am sure that they were welcomed with open hearts to the joyous
kingdom of HEAVEN!
Continue peace to your entire family ❤️*



Norma, Tony, Tiffany, & T.j. Titone

norma titone - April 01, 2015 at 12:41 PM

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“ *I always enjoyed talking to Pete about sports. Especially tennis :)
Velma, because of our friendship....I became friends with Pete. I will
miss him. Mother use to say "memories are photographs taken by
the heart." Ya'll have a lot of wonderful memories. Hugging you and
your family in thoughts and prayers.*

Lon and Joanne Frank - April 01, 2015 at 11:53 AM

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“ *Uncle Pete-- I will always remember how Mom would love to talk to
you on the phone, and she would read your letters over and over. I
grieve with your family over their loss of a wonderful, caring man.
Velma. Bart and Jimmy, may God be with you in this time of sorrow.
My condolences--Tena*

Tena Davis - March 31, 2015 at 09:47 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of James Gilbert (Pete) Powell.



March 31, 2015 at 06:24 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of James Gilbert (Pete) Powell.



March 31, 2015 at 12:22 PM



“ *Heaven's Comfort* was purchased for the family of James Gilbert (Pete) Powell.



March 31, 2015 at 09:57 AM