



## William "Bill" Joseph McKnight

December 6, 1942 - November 11, 2021

On Thursday, November 11th, 2021, William "Bill" Joseph McKnight passed away at the age of 78.

A graduate of DeLaSalle High School, Bill was very proud of his alma mater, continuing to attend events and show his support. Following high school, Bill joined the army and served one tour in Vietnam. Upon his discharge from the Army, Bill joined the car business. During his time in the business, he did everything from buying and selling cars, to managing car dealerships.

Following his car career, Bill found a calling working with other recovering adults at Mission Lodge. Bill worked as a part time house manager for over 12 years, and previously worked as a volunteer at Mission Detox. Bill had a passion for golf and even walked the hallowed grounds of Augusta National. He was also an avid reader, and a lifelong Vikings fan.

Bill is preceded in death by: his parents, Thomas and Clemence McKnight, JoAnn and John Lilleston (sister/brother-in-law), Jack and Bev McKnight (brother/sister-in-law), Bob and Joyce McKnight (brother/sister-in-law), as well as his sisters-in-law Verna McKnight and Maryann McKnight.

He is survived by: his children, Shannon Bakkila and Daniel McKnight; his son-in-law Jim Bakkila; his daughter-in law-Karina McKnight; his grandchildren, Tyler, Colton and Cora; and his brothers Tim and Tony McKnight.

Service Information: Monday the 22nd of November 2021 at Holcomb, Henry, Boom and Purcell Funeral Home (Shoreview). Visitation from 9:00 - 10:00 AM

with a service from 10:00 - 11:00 AM. Lunch served following the service and prior to a motorcade to Fort Snelling National Cemetery for a graveside service at 1:00 PM.

The family asks that masks are worn during the visitation and service inside the funeral home.

HHBP Funeral Home address: 515 Highway 96 West, Shoreview, MN 55126

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be donated to Mission, Inc: <https://www.missionsinc.org/donate/#quick-link>

Livestream Available at

[https://youtu.be/RBwcQ\\_Bd7c4](https://youtu.be/RBwcQ_Bd7c4)

# Tribute Wall

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“ Farewell to my partner for 15 years and the father of my children. We laughed. We loved. We struggled. In most ways we left our marriage amicably. Our good times evolved around the blessings of family and home. The bad times happened because we were two frail human beings. My prayer is that you were happy and that now you rest. Sending love to you today and always. Jill

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**Jill Pawlowski** - November 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM