



## William Howard Pott

February 28, 1932 - September 3, 2025

William (Bill) Howard Pott of Charlottesville, VA went to be with the Lord on September 3, 2025. He was preceded in death by his parents, Howard Albert Pott and Marjorie Elizabeth Blatchley Pott; and his wife of 62 years, Elna Patsy Brantley Pott. He was a native of Connecticut and a graduate of Duke University. Following a period of service in the United States Air Force he was employed with Price-Waterhouse in New York. In 1956 he moved to Raleigh, NC and was employed for 10 years with the NC Department of the State Auditor. From 1969 to 1989 he was the Vice Chancellor of Finance at the University of North Carolina at Asheville. He was a certified public accountant. For nearly 40 years, Bill was an active member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Asheville and served in a variety of positions. Among these were Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Chairman of the Finance Committee, Chairman of the Administrative Board, Treasurer, bus driver, usher, Sunday School teacher and gave several sermons. Later, he became a member of Living Savior Lutheran Church.

In 2020, he moved to Charlottesville, Virginia to be closer to some of his family. He became a member of Aldersgate United Methodist Church there. Bill and Patsy are survived by four children: William H. Pott II (Kay); David B. Pott (Linda); Richard A. Pott (Susan) and Dr. Susan P. Schriefer (Dr. Walter). He had eight grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Bill was a lifelong lover of all games: ball games, card games, and board games. He particularly loved bridge and poker, with friends at Lake Pointe

Landing Retirement Village in Hendersonville, NC, UNCA retirees, and subsequently at Branchlands in Charlottesville. Bill passed away as the reigning champion of the Pott Family Parcheesi tournament. His presence in these games will be deeply missed. In his last few years, he also went back to an earlier hobby of making latch hook rugs.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00am on Saturday, September 13, 2025 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 223 Hillside St., Asheville, with Rev. Dr. In-Yong Lee officiating. The family will be at St. Paul's to greet guests beginning at 10:00am. Pallbearers will be his grandchildren: Kimberly Freeman, Dr. Ashley Pott, Chloe Delanoë-Pott, Mason Pott, Benjamin Pott, Savannah Bernard, Heather Schriefer and Matthew Schriefer. Honorary Pallbearers: Andy Freeman, Jennifer Pott, Matthieu Delanoë, Chelsea Choi (Pott), Christina Pott, and Scott Bernard. Mr. Pott will be buried alongside his wife at Lewis Memorial Park, Asheville, NC.

In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to St Jude Children's Research Hospital.

# Cemetery Details

## Lewis Memorial Park

415 Beaverdam Road  
Asheville, NC 28804

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's United Methodist Church  
223 Hillside Street  
Asheville, NC 28801

## Funeral Service

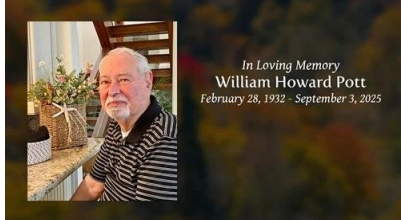
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Morris Funeral & Cremation Care created a Tribute Video in memory of William Howard Pott*



Morris Funeral Home - September 11, 2025 at 06:57 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Howard Pott.*



September 12, 2025 at 12:50 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of William Howard Pott.*



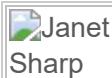
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“ I worked with Bill for many years at UNCA. Such a fine man, and a great guy! He was missed when he left the university, and he'll be even more missed, now, by the world. My condolences to his family. We (Peck family) also knew his grandkids on Brookcliff -- who I know will miss their granddad!

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**Peg Downes** - September 07, 2025 at 08:24 PM

 Janet Sharp

Mr. Pott was always so kind to all of us kids. I had to change schools at the start of my freshman year in 1978 - from Western to UNCA. My college funds were at Western and when I went and told Mr. Pott he gave me a voucher for books and told me to move into my dorm room - welcome to UNCA! I'll never forget how Mr. Pott gave an insecure and unsure college freshman the confidence to step out of her comfort zone. My prayers to the Pott family for comfort in the days ahead.  
Janet Melton Sharp  
UNCA

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**Janet Sharp** - September 09, 2025 at 08:52 AM

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I am so sorry for your loss Richard and family. I'm sorry I can't be there. He was a great man and he will be dearly missed. Andy Carson and Addison Mearns

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**Andy Mearns** - September 12, 2025 at 05:24 PM