



Elvis James Wanamaker Jr.

May 29, 1964 - December 4, 2024

It is with heavy hearts that we announce that "Elvis" has left the building.

Elvis James Wanamaker Jr., age 60, was born on May 29, 1964, and passed away suddenly and unexpectedly at his home on December 04, 2024.

Elvis loved the roar of the Daytona Speedway-and was a huge Nascar fan. He was also an avid and accomplished bowler and a softball sports enthusiast.

Elvis's career spanned 42 years with the University of Central Florida and Southern Florida, where he was admired and loved by those who worked with and beside him. He enjoyed bringing some laughter and joy to the workplace.

Elvis was a Native Floridian and was preceded in death by his brother Dennis. He is survived by his lifelong companion of 37 years, Mark Alan Leffel, his loving mother, Bernice Burri of Holiday, Fl, and four siblings- Tammy, Roy, Johnny and Mike, all residing in Florida.

We celebrate Elvis's life remembering all the love, the laughter and his one-of-a-kind dance moves, back in the day, that only Elvis could do!

Elvis will truly be greatly missed by his friends and his family, but we will carry his memory and his love for life onward.

Rest in eternal peace dear friend

There will also be a Celebration of life on January 4th, at OBPC Church, located at 4559 S.W. 34th Street, Orlando, Florida 32811. Come visit with friends and family from 11am - 3pm, to share and remember our wonderful friend Elvis.

In lieu of flowers you may bring a covered dish.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 4. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (ET)

OBPC Church
4559 S.W. 34th Street
Orlando, FL 32811

Tribute Wall

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“ I met Elvis and Mark in the spring of 1997 on a weekend visit to Orlando from Tallahassee. We became immediate friends as if we had known each other for a very long time. During that summer, I made several trips to Orlando to visit them and cemented our friendship. In the fall of that year, I'm at my life partner and from that time on he and I visited Orlando many times over the years and Elvis and Mark visited us in Tallahassee several times. Our visiting continued until the early 2020s when my partner became ill and passed away in the spring of 2022. Due to his illness, we were unable to make trips to Orlando, but we did keep in touch with Elvis and Mark. After my partner passed away, I sort of dropped off the map and didn't do any visiting or keep in touch with anybody until recently when I contacted Elvis in November 2024. He was not feeling very well then, but we talked for quite a while catching up on the years we hadn't seen each other. Just recently I found out that he had passed away in December 2024. I was shocked and saddened to find this out. My sympathies go out to Mark and Elvis's family. A big part of my life is gone and can never be replaced.

William Stillman - April 14, 2025 at 07:34 PM