



## Mr. Phillip F. Podowski

September 30, 1931 - September 1, 2019

Phillip F. Podowski, 87, of Albany, died Sunday, September 1, 2019 at Willson Hospice House.

His funeral service will be at 11:00 AM at First Baptist Church of Albany, 145 Oakland Parkway, Leesburg, GA 31763, on Thursday, September 5, 2019 with burial to follow at Riverside Cemetery with military honors. The Rev. Butch Knight and the Rev. Bruce English will officiate. The family will receive friends at First Baptist Church prior to the funeral on Thursday beginning at 10:00 AM.

Mr. Podowski was born in Baltimore, MD. He came to Albany when he was discharged from the Marine Corps, got married, then moved to Maryland and Florida before moving back to Albany in 1977. Mr. Podowski was a United States Marine Corps veteran, serving in the Korean War. He retired from Civil Service at the Marine Corps Logistics Base in Albany in 1993. He was a lifetime honorary member of the International Lions Club.

Mr. Podowski had a passion for service. He was a member of his church choir at First Baptist Church and was commonly requested to sing at various events and religious services within the community. He was involved with the prison ministry for over 20 years and taught Sunday school for many years to both children and adults. He had a love of baseball where he coached little league

teams and never missed watching the Atlanta Braves. He was an avid outdoorsman taking the opportunity to go fishing and hunting at every chance.

Mr. Podowski is survived by his wife: Mary Alice Ramsey Podowski, Albany; 3 sons: David Podowski (Shelly), Round Rock, TX, Michael Podowski (Jane), Cape Coral, FL, Mark Podowski (Shirley), Albany; 5 grandchildren: Laura Podowski (Reece), Round Rock, TX, Drew Podowski (Becca), San Antonio, TX, Chelsea Podowski (James), Adamstown, MD, Josh Williford, Albany, Wendy Williford, Albany; 8 great grandchildren: Lily Podowski, Round Rock, TX, Emma Podowski, San Antonio, TX, Stella Podowski, Adamstown, MD, Easton Williford, Naomi Williford, Jalyn Williford, all of Thomasville, GA, Makalah Smith, Sylvester, Hunter Powell, Albany; 1 sister: Rosalie Miller, Baltimore, MD.

Those desiring may send memorials to First Baptist Church, 145 Oakland Parkway, Leesburg, GA 31763, or to Willson Hospice House, 320 Foundation Ln., Albany, GA 31707.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverside Cemetery

200 Cotton Ave  
Albany, GA 31707

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church Of Albany  
145 Oakland Parkway  
Leesburg, GA 31763

## Funeral Service

SEP 5. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church Of Albany  
145 Oakland Parkway  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Phillip F. Podowski*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mr. Phillip F. Podowski*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *What a wonderful man Mr Podowski was. I remember his warm smile ; his amazing venison chili and his beautiful voice. He is part of the wonderful soundtrack of my youth at First Baptist Church. I can just imagine him and Paul Dean singing at the gates of heaven !!*

*Carter Metts - Tampa FL*

**Carter C Metts** - October 01, 2019 at 03:34 PM



“ *Mary and Family,  
We all have great memories of Phil; his carrying Bryant around Ridgecrest on his shoulders, Sarah running into his arms when he played Jesus, his beautiful voice and many, many more. He was a supporter and friend. Our prayer is that God will comfort you in his graduation to heaven. Love, Neil, Cindy and Family*

**Neil Brown** - September 06, 2019 at 09:07 AM

BH

“ Dear Mary,  
Cindy and I would like to share our condolences. Phil was such a fine man and a great example for all of us. He will be missed greatly.

Bob Hutto

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**Bob Hutto** - September 05, 2019 at 02:10 PM

LM

“ Mary Alice and family: We are so sorry to hear about Phil. What fond memories we have of the both of you. You and your family will be in our prayers. Mother sends her love. Dimple Wills and Landra and Glenn McCrary

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**Landra McCrary** - September 04, 2019 at 08:31 PM

BW

“ Mary Alice and Family,  
We are so sorry for your loss. Phil would light up a room! He is with Bob and Bobbie Jean catching up on good times ! We love you dearly !

Butch and Janet Windham

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**Butch and Janet Windham** - September 04, 2019 at 02:46 PM

CM

“ Mrs. Mary.....I sure am going to miss his big smile, big hugs and that touch of sarcasm he could bring to a conversation. Truly a mentor to so many of us.....and always an avid supporter of the kid's choir programs! Thoughts and prayers with all of you! Won't be able to be there on Thursday but just know that my heart will be!

Cathy Morey

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**Cathy Morey** - September 04, 2019 at 02:04 PM

BW

“ *Butch & Janet Windham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Phillip F. Podowski*



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**Butch & Janet Windham** - September 04, 2019 at 10:21 AM

CB

“ *Dear Mary & family:  
I'll always remember singing with Phil in the choir and the many duets he sang with Paul Dean. Phil was a gentle giant. Always a kind word, even when it was smothered in sarcasm. While he always had to wait on me to bring him peanuts for his brittle and chocolate, I'm sure that he will now have a never-ending supply to share as he dwells in the presence of his Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ.  
I'm sorry that I can't be with you all at the service on Thursday, but I have been and will continue to wrap you in my prayers.  
Chris Butts*

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**Chris Butts** - September 04, 2019 at 07:52 AM

DS

“ *Mark and Shirley, So sorry to hear about your father. Please know that your family is in my thoughts and prayers.  
Debbie Sutton*



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**Debbie Sutton** - September 03, 2019 at 02:12 PM



“ *Phillip was an outstanding Marine and community minded. He was truly a member of the greatest generation.* ”

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**Roger Marietta** - September 03, 2019 at 06:59 AM

DB

“ *Dear Mrs Mary & Family, my deepest sympathies in the loss of Me Phil. I always enjoyed his beautiful singing & his yankee humor. Y'all were a special couple & it was obvious how much he adored you. Our thoughts & prayers are with you. Love you, Debbie* ”

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**Debbie Blanchard** - September 02, 2019 at 01:37 PM