



William "Bill" Dias Jr

May 14, 1947 - June 1, 2026

The world became a little less bright on June 1, 2026, with the unexpected passing of William "Bill" Lester Dias, Jr. Born on May 14, 1947, Bill brought immense joy, humor, strength, and unconditional love to the people lucky enough to know him.

Bill was a die-hard Pittsburgh Steelers fan who always had the best jokes, magic tricks, and Donald Duck impressions that kept his grandchildren, who knew him as Pap Pap, laughing since they were born.

Above all of these great qualities, he was a devoted father. His greatest pride in life was being Daddy to his two daughters, Katie Dias and Erin Dias. His love for them was steady, fierce, and unmatched. He showed up with his whole heart, loved without condition, and made sure his daughters always knew they were deeply cherished. To Katie and Erin, he was not just their father, he was their Daddy, their protector, their constant, and one of the greatest loves of their lives. Daddy left this world knowing his girls were his biggest fans, just as he had always been theirs.

Bill was preceded in death by his father, William Lester Dias, Sr., and his mother, Anna Dias.

He is survived by his beloved daughters, Katie Dias and Erin Dias; his grandchildren, Jack Jones and Haisley Dias; his twin brother, James "Jim"

Dias and his wife, Rita; and his former wife and the mother of his daughters, Mara Laverentz.

Bill's love, laughter, and presence will be deeply missed, but the way he loved his family, especially his daughters, will live on forever.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Cousin Billy! When I opened this obit the first thing I asked myself was who is the old guy in the picture! It's been far too many years and sadly time and circumstances kept us apart as we grew older so that the old guy in the picture is not who I most remember. But the younger guy in the attached pictures was something else! I will always cherish the memories of your dad taking us swimming at Mineral Beach, listening to my dad complain that he couldn't tell you and Jim apart and, of course, those wonderful Sunday and holiday dinners at Grandma Dias' house in Mon City. As we got older I remember going to your gym in Wheaton, catching rides with you from Arlington to PA, hitting the town when you lived in Vegas and visiting you at your homes in Corona del Mar and Florida. You were a great guy, Bill Dias, and I am proud and honored to be your cousin. Even though we rarely saw each other family is forever. You will always be a large part of mine and I'm sure yours will carry on in tribute to a life well lived and a job well done. Rest in Peace.*
Bob Dias



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“ *I have so many good memories with him, he’s the best daddy I know! His girls are a product of his unconditional love and he will be beyond missed! We love you dad! TIL WE MEET AGAIN! With all my love TOE TOE*

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