



## Matthew Poole

October 20, 1949 - January 18, 2025

Matthew Poole, 75, of Cape Girardeau died Saturday, January 18, 2025 at Mercy Hospital Southeast.

He was born October 20, 1949 in St. Louis to Delsie Lee Poole.

He and Earleen Jean Sumner were married April 1, 1983 at Honolulu, Hawaii. She preceded him in death on January 26, 2004.

He served in the military 20 years, first in the U.S. Army for five years and then the U.S. Navy for 15 years.

Matt was a 1968 graduate of Cape Girardeau Central High School.

He retired from Nell Holcomb Schools as a custodian.

He was a lifetime member of V.F.W. Post 3838 and a 38 year member of Eagles Aerie #3775.

Survivors include one son, Michael Wayne Francis of San Pedro, California; one brother, Mark Poole of Cape Girardeau; one sister, Rebecca (Bill) Rook of O'Fallon, Illinois; and one grandchild, Jesse Francis.

He was preceded in death by his mother, wife, and son, Donovan Anthony Francis on April 30, 2008.

There will be a visitation from noon to 1:00 pm on Saturday, February 1, 2025 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will follow at 1:00 pm at the funeral home with the Rev. Bill Rook officiating.

Burial will be at Hanover Lutheran Church Cemetery in Cape Girardeau.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to the family to assist with funeral expenses.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com).

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Hanover Lutheran Church Cemetery

2949 Perryville Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 1. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home  
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Road  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Funeral Service

FEB 1. 1:00 PM (CT)

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1001 N. Mt. Auburn Road  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *The Lee Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Matthew Poole.*



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**The Lee Family** - January 31, 2025 at 11:25 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Matthew Poole.

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January 27, 2025 at 07:48 AM