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$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^{3}$$
$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi (4.75^{3})$$
$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi (107.17)$$
$$V \approx 142.9\pi$$

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$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^{3}$$
$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi (8^{3})$$
$$V = \frac{4}{3}\pi (512)$$
$$V \approx 682.7\pi$$

The volume of the fish tank is about $682.7\pi~in^{^3}\textbf{.}$

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