



Billy G. Phillips

April 23, 1947 - July 2, 2024

Billy G. "Bubba" Phillips, age 77 of Merrillville passed away July 2, 2024. He was born in Gary, IN to Gust G. Phillips and Athena Phillips. Billy was a graduate of Horace Mann High School and attended Indiana University. He was a U.S. Air force Vietnam war veteran and a member of the American Legion Post 20 for 42 years, a member of S.S. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Merrillville and worked for U.S. Steel for 39 years. Billy loved playing mush ball and played on a horseshoe team for years and played other sports. He loved traveling all around the world and visiting many countries. Billy was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents-Vasil and Chrysanthi Tipoff. He is survived by his sisters- Betty Wilusz, Christine Phillips; niece- Christine A. (Tim) Reddick; great nephew- Tim R. (Chloe) Reddick; great- great nephew- River T. Reddick; great nephew- Christian (Celi) Reddick; great great nephew- Myles J. Reddick, many loving cousins and close friends.

Visitation will take place on Monday, July 8, 2024, from 3- 7 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point. The funeral will be held on Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 10 a.m. Rev. Thomas Mischler officiating. Interment Calumet Park cemetery. www.burnsfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Calumet Park Cemetery

2305 W. 73rd Ave.
Merrillville, IN 46410

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 8. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point
10101 Broadway
Crown Point, IN 46307
(219) 769-0044
info@burnsfuneral.com
<https://www.burnsfuneral.com/>

Funeral Service

JUL 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point
10101 Broadway
Crown Point, IN 46307
(219) 769-0044
info@burnsfuneral.com
<https://www.burnsfuneral.com/>

Tribute Wall

RS

“ *RIP Bubba! Condolences to the family.
Neighbors Forever! :)*



Robert Shebat - July 08, 2024 at 10:01 PM

DR

“ *Condolences to family and friends. Bill and I use to get into mischief in grade school and junior high. Last time I saw him was when I was in town at a restaurant with his wife about 20 years ago or so. Every time I came home to Indiana I would ask about him but no one new where he was. May you rest in peace. Will be in the area next month will make a trip to the cemetary to see you.*



Doris Rodic-Cole - July 08, 2024 at 01:57 PM

BR

“ *RIP "Bubba", you were a big part of why the class of 1965 at Horace Mann was so memorable. My condolences to the family and all who knew him.*

Bo Ridgely

Bo Ridgely - July 08, 2024 at 08:16 AM

IL

“ I graduated from Horace Mann HS in 1965. I saw him at our 50th HS Reunion. He was always such a warm and welcoming person. My condolences to the family and friends!!

Iris Lugo - July 07, 2024 at 11:03 PM

VL

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Vickie Lintner - July 07, 2024 at 07:12 PM

RG

“ To the family and friends, so sorry for your loss.

Rest Easy Hero.

Randy Gumkowsi (INPGR)

Randy Gumkowskir - July 06, 2024 at 07:05 PM



PT

“ *My sincere condolences to your family.*

Bill (Bubba) was a classmate at Horace Mann, and a great friend to our family. I am so saddened by his passing. The last time I was with Bill was at a Cubs game--with my cousin, Cary Collins, Ken Brown, Bill Berquist, and Angelo Angeles. I believe you could say that I was the rose among the thorns. Four of the guys sat under the awning, but Bill and I had seats very close to the first base line, and had a great afternoon chatting about old times.

Peggy Collins Totin



Peggy Collins Totin - July 06, 2024 at 10:56 AM

CC

Hard to take Bubba was a great person we had many good times together; Loyal and fearless a real character They broke the mold, after Bubba. RIP

Cary Collins - July 10, 2024 at 04:19 PM