



## Phillip Mark Townsend

November 8, 1951 - March 30, 2025

Phillip Mark Townsend, 73, of Crown Point, Indiana entered into the presence of the Lord on Sunday, March 30, 2025. Phillip was born on November 8, 1951, in Chicago, Illinois to Garnett and Helen (Sonderegger) Townsend. When he was 3 months old, the family moved to Bolivia where his parents were missionaries, returning to the Westmont/Downers Grove area every few years. When he was about 12 years old, he moved to LaFeria, Texas where he graduated from High School and attended college. Phil moved back to Westmont and began his career in finance.

Phil married Karen Larsen in 1972, and they made their home in Darien, Illinois. They raised five children who brought him much pride and love: Matthew Townsend, Justin (Kim Papucci) Townsend, Shawna (Ryan) McHugh, Brandon Townsend, and Zachary (Beth Wagner) Townsend. In 1997, Phil married Kathleen Carey, and they joyfully welcomed Jessica (Rio Bartusiak) Townsend. Phil's children blessed him with grandchildren Brittney (Diego Corona), Ethan, Chase, Kendall, Alexandria, Madeline, Brianna, Luke, Ada, and his great-grandson Liam.

Later, Phil decided to change careers and he earned his Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from Trinity Christian in Palos Heights, Illinois. He became a Registered Nurse in 1998 and practiced in Indiana until his retirement.

Phil loved Jesus and would send his children Bible verses and tell them that one day he will be in heaven with Him and what a glorious day that will be. He attended Stone Church in Palos Heights and Calvary Temple in Aurora, which became Calvary Church when it moved to Naperville.

Phil liked to play soccer when he was younger and as he got older, he enjoyed listening to music, watching football and hockey, and politics.

Phil was preceded in death by his parents. Phil is survived by his children, his grandchildren, and his sister Carmen Mendoza and brothers Paul Townsend and Thomas Townsend. A private Celebration of Grace will be held in honor of Phillip on April 14, 2025, at Harvest New Beginnings in Oswego, IL.

# Tribute Wall

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“ My deepest condolences on the passing of your dad. Phillip was a dear “member” of the Espinoza family. I so enjoyed the conversations we had where he reminisced about his time in Bolivia and with my parents.  
I am confident he was greeted in heaven with much joy by grandma and grandpa Townsend and my parents Lilia and Guillermo among others. I also believe we will one day join him for the greatest celebration ever, where there will be no sadness, no pain, no tears, only joyful songs of gratitude and praise to Him who is worthy of all honor and praise 🙏!

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**Ana Espinoza** - April 09, 2025 at 03:58 PM

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“ So sorry to hear about your loss. Sounds like an awesome man. I see he lived in Crown Point Ind. My wife's grandma lived there also. Small world.

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**Dan Pfluger** - April 07, 2025 at 08:32 AM