



## William Phillips

December 31, 1969 - November 13, 2015

Obituary of William Phillips, Jr. William J. "Bill" Phillips, Jr., 70, of Ocala passed away 6:30PM on Friday, November 13, 2015. Bill was a very loving family man. He began his work career early with his desire to help people. In his younger years he was an ambulance driver for a local funeral home in Pompano Beach, FL. After getting married he worked 15 years for Sears Roebuck & Co. With an extreme proficiency in computers he went to work for Tandy Corporation becoming a Radio Shack Computer Manager in West Palm Beach, FL. Bill was born in Clarksburg, WV and made his home in South Florida and Broward County for 55 years and was a member of the Church of the Brethren. He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Pamela Phillips, whom he met in band class in school. He is also survived by his daughter, Monica Phillips Ferris, granddaughter, Madeline Ferris, grandson, E.J. Ferris, sister, Carole Stewart, nephews, David Stewart and Robert McKeehan. A Celebration of Bill's Life will be held at Roberts Funeral Homes, Downtown Chapel 606 SW 2nd Ave., Ocala 352-622-4141 on Friday (November 20th) at 7PM.

# Tribute Wall

RM

“ Pam & Monty, it was with deep sadness that I learned that Uncle Joe had passed away. He was one of a kind and I think I inherited the "Fiddling Phillips" that Grandpa, Bill and I all received in our Phillips DNA! I remember he always had a fast car souped up when I was still in grade school and for many years after that. He also was an active Ham Operator another thing we both have in common: I am KM4APE and it is because of him I studied and passed the test a few years back. I regret that I was not able to make his service last Friday, but will always keep him, Aunt Pamela & Cousin Monty deep within my heart and in my prayers. Love is a choice and I choose love for each and every one in our family. The pain we feel at loss is part of the deal in loving and I for one never want to see the pain subside as it is the memorial we keep that shows the love we had and shared with another. May God's Holy Spirit Comfort, Lead and fill your hearts and lives both now and forevermore. I Christ's Mighty Name, Amen Robert Neil McKeehan, Wellington, Fl

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**Robert Neil McKeehan** - November 24, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Bill, and the whole family, are in my thoughts & prayers. May Bill's spirit live on forever in your hearts &, with time, may today's tears become smiles of remembrance of the life shared with a good man.

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**Susan Ferris** - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ A good man has left us and we will all be more empty as a result. Bill was a gentle soul, always ready to lend a hand or his expertise to anyone in need. His compassion for others was only trumped by his devotion and dedication to his wife, daughter and grandkids. Pam was the twinkle in his eye and his soul mate. Through the years his love for her never waned nor waivered. The two of them were inseparable as they moved through this life and he would have had it no other way. Monica was his greatest and most proud achievement. Their connection was unmistakable, from computers to the Dallas Cowboys to Star Wars to TCU to their shared love of Madi and EJ, they were as in synch as any two people could ever be. While they were 1000 miles apart physically, they were and will never be apart in spirit. The time Bill spent with his grandkids and hearing about their lives made him incredibly happy. To see his excitement as he laughed and played with them and the pride he took in their achievements both on the sports field and classroom showed unconditional love and unyielding support. Bill was a good man, a terrific husband, a loving father and grandfather. His life was too short, but because of the way he touched so many others while he was with us, his influence and spirit will live on, continuing to touch many more people who will never have the honor, privilege and comfort of knowing the man touching their lives. Bill will be greatly missed, but never gone.

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**Ed Ferris** - November 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ He was an exceptional individual, much loved in life, much missed in his passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

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**Dave Stewart** - November 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ I have so many memories of my brother!!! One is his getting his Cub Scout uniform and how proud he was of it. It was one of an ever-amazing source of wonderment to me at how proficient he was with computers. When I had a problem I could just email him and he would find a solution for me to follow. When he was born, my mom had a built in babysitter. From the very first I LOVED my brother and loved taking care of him, taking him for rides in his stroller. As we got older of course the busyness of life and making a living was with both of us but we always tried to stay in touch. I am going to miss his cheery emails and the beautiful flower pictures he would send me, including other material that he thought I would enjoy seeing. He LOVED baseball and I am so glad he got to see the World Series that was on recently. My heart goes out to you, Pam, and Monti and her family. But one thing I know, we can always be thankful for the time we had with him!!!

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**Carole Stewart** - November 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Dear Pam, Aunt Carole emailed me this morning to tell me about Bill. We are so sorry to hear this news. He was a good and kind man who loved his family and cared for others. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him. Love, Kathy, Lorene, Wayne and Donald Metts

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**Kathy Daly** - November 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ My thoughts and Prayers are with you all. Aunt Pam, Monica, and Aunt Carole and all your families. I know Uncle Bill was a genius in Chris's mind when he was a boy and how his Uncle mastered the Computer age so early. He was always so proud of him. It's been along time since I have seen all of you but still in my thoughts often. Cindy McKeehan oxoxo

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**Cindy McKeehan** - November 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM



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November 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM