



Franklin Edward Phillips

October 28, 2017

Franklin Edward Phillips, 94, of Lancaster died after a lengthy illness on Saturday, October 28th, 2017, at his residence surrounded by family. Born in Lancaster, he was the son of the late John Phillips and Gladys Harter Phillips. Frank graduated from JP McCaskey High School and attended The Wharton School of Business and Georgetown University. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII, and was in the 2nd wave of the D-Day Invasion in Normandy. He gave 4 full years of service in the Army before being wounded in Germany and paralyzed for nearly 4 years after the war. Determined to walk again, he endured intensive physical therapy and as a testament to his strong will, character and zest for life he eventually regained full mobility. After the war, he returned to Lancaster and married Verla Read with whom he celebrated 65 years of marriage with in 2012 before her passing. Frank worked for various companies during his lifetime including Armstrong World Industries, Farnam, Coltec Industries and General Motors. Also an entrepreneur, he owned several businesses and real estate. Frank volunteered his time and resources with many organizations in Lancaster and as an alumni of McCaskey he thoroughly enjoyed attending basketball games there. A member of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Frank also loved spending time at his home in Dewey Beach, DE with his family and close friends.

Frank is survived by his sons: Larry Phillips and his partner Sally Butler of Martic township, PA; Barry husband of Rachelle Phillips of Conestoga Township, PA; his grandchildren Tracy Phillips Hoover of Lancaster, Kennedy

Foster Phillips and Carly Read Phillips both of Conestoga Township, two great-grandchildren Charlotte Marie Hoover and Spencer Harrison Hoover and two step-grandchildren; Rebekah Morrison and David Phillips.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Frank's name at The Boys & Girls Club of Lancaster, 116 S. Water Street, Lancaster, PA 17603, OR The Salvation Army of Lancaster, 131 S. Queen Street, Lancaster, PA 17603

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date. Anyone wishing to attend can contact the family directly or by posting to the online condolences

Tribute Wall



“ *Franklin Edward Phillips*

October 22, 2023 at 11:34 PM



“ *Goodbye dear Frank.*

You were such a loving gentleman to all, and a wonderful friend to me. You have certainly enriched my life, and I was truly blessed. You are now back with the love of your life, Verla . I hope she's ready!

*With love,
Bob Walter*

Bob Walter - January 20, 2018 at 02:16 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Franks passing. I remember him as a wonderful person with a fantastic sense of humor. A long time friend of my family, he and Verla along with my mother, Jane Kulp, attended many McCaskey reunions together.*

Michael Shultz - November 12, 2017 at 06:18 PM



“ *Bill lit a candle in memory of Franklin Edward Phillips*



Bill - November 08, 2017 at 06:04 PM

BI

“ Frank will always have a permanent place in my heart. I will miss his incredible stories.

Nathan's in Brooklyn was one of my favorites.

Bill Laporte

Bill - November 08, 2017 at 05:56 PM

CH

“ Frank was always a caring and loving man. He gave of himself and earnestly cared about his friends. I will always be grateful for the time spent with him and learning from him. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, especially Tracy and the children.

Thank you for sharing this amazing man with me.

Cheryl Hartnett

Cheryl Hartnett - November 08, 2017 at 03:02 PM

FB

“ Once a friend, always a friend.

Heike and Fred Bloom

Fred & Heike Bloom - November 08, 2017 at 08:01 AM

PG

“ Tracy - Sorry to hear and see of Frank's passing. I really enjoyed our business relationship. Beyond that, I felt a special friendship with Frank. There was a kindness about him that always gave me a good feeling when we talk about matters and philosophies other than banking and finance. I trust he is in a good place and happy to be reunited with Verla.

All the Best,

Philip Golden

Philip Golden - November 06, 2017 at 04:49 PM

BP

“ Tracy and ALL .. A life well lived leaving us all wonderful memories! I will always remember the wonderful times we had at the Dewey Beach house cottage with Frank and Verla... great fun and lots of laughs.. may they together again Rest In Peace.

Brenda Perrotti - November 05, 2017 at 06:28 PM

JA

“ I am so sorry to hear about Frank's passing..I thought he would outlive all of us!! He was a great mentor and friend through out the years..I will miss his sense of humor and his 'frank' advice on staying focus in life..He was a great example.
Janice Weber Brown



Janice - November 05, 2017 at 11:23 AM

BR

“ So Sorry to hear of Frank's passing he was an incredible individual and a loss to all that knew him would like to attend his memorial service if I can

Thanks

Bob Rose

Bob Rose - November 05, 2017 at 08:04 AM