



Philip E. Wadley

June 21, 1932 - May 6, 2017

Philip E. "Phil" Wadley, age 84, of Bourbonnais, passed away Saturday, May 6, 2017 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee after a long illness.

Phil was born June 21, 1932 in Kankakee, the son of Frank and Portia Spies Wadley.

He married JoAnn Butters on October 14, 1951 at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church in Kankakee.

He was a sales manager for 34 years at Tenney Sales Inc. in Kankakee.

Later, he worked for Dierk's Foods in Rockford, retiring in 1996.

Phil was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Kankakee.

He enjoyed golfing and fishing.

Surviving are his wife, JoAnn Wadley of Bourbonnais; three daughters and sons-in-law, Andrea & Jeff Preston of Ft. Atkinson, WI, Kimberly & Donald Rapier of Bradley, and Kristine & John Abbott of Apollo Beach, FL; two sisters and one brother-in-law, Twilla Zinkann of Newnan, GA and Denise & Jerry Hurd of Bluffton, SC; three grandchildren, Corey & Julie Mills of Brodhead, WI, Brittani Overacker of Englewood, CO, and Benjamin Preston of Ft. Atkinson, WI; and three great-grandchildren, Abby Mills, Kaitlyn Mills, and Ayden Alayoubi.

He is preceded in death by his parents; and one brother-in-law, Dennis Zinkann.

Cremation Rites have been accorded.

Private Graveside Services will be held at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.
Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

2000 E. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Tribute Wall



“ I just googled Phil's name - and here I am expressing my sincere condolences to anyone who knew Phil - He was -THE- driving force in sales at Tenny's -epitome of a GREAT salesperson. Honest & Smooth as silk . He was a Great Man & a Hero to me . Many Many fond memories. I worked for him in sales for -8- years . R.I.P. Phil

Alley Oop - January 04, 2018 at 06:30 PM

MO

“ Kris and Family,
So sorry for your loss. Our deepest condolences.

Mike and Tina Oetter

Mike Oetter - May 15, 2017 at 04:23 PM

LW

“ Andrea & family - please know that we're holding you all in our hearts and prayers and are so sorry for your loss. We'll think of you all whenever the Bears play the Packers!

Love,

The Wilde Family

Lisa Wilde - May 11, 2017 at 09:08 PM

JL

“ My brother in law, Ron Lambert, worked for Phil and liked him as a boss. He also enjoyed golfing with him. My husband Bryan played golf with him in a golf league. My husband misses the challenge of being close to Phil's score. Our condolences to the family. Bryan and Joann Lambert

Joann Lambert - May 11, 2017 at 06:28 PM

TZ

“ We lived so far away. But I always love talking on the phone with my brother Phil, I will surely miss him. Twilla Zinkann (sister)

Twilla zinkann - May 11, 2017 at 10:42 AM

RS

“ JoAnn, I was so sorry to hear of my cousin's Phil's passing. We had a lot of fun together many years ago.

Richard Stearns
Naples, FL



Richard Stearns - May 11, 2017 at 04:48 AM

CR

“ I grew up next door to the Wadleys in Kankakee. Andrea was my childhood best friend since I was 5 yrs old, and she was 6 yrs old. I remember Phil (Mr. Wadley) as a very friendly, gregarious individual who loved the Chicago Bears with a passion! I felt like a part of their family and was saddened to hear he had passed away. I will always remember his charming smile and warm personality. Hugs and prayers to JoAnn, Andrea, Kim and Kris.

Clarice Roach - May 10, 2017 at 07:20 PM

BR

“ I am so sorry to hear of Phil's death. He worked with my husband Roger for many years and they enjoyed fishing trips together. My deepest sympathy to all of his family. He was a great person.

Barbara Rohrbach

Barbara Rohrbach - May 10, 2017 at 02:20 PM

AE

“ So sorry for your loss!
Thinking of you all
Amy Eichholz

Amy Eichholz - May 08, 2017 at 09:29 PM

KA

“ My deepest sympathy and prayers to the Wadley family.
Kari Cremer
(Friend of Kris)

kari - May 08, 2017 at 06:47 PM

DH

“ Although Phil was 14 years older than myself, I have some silly, sweet, and some sad memories of our times together. I even remember when I was about three or four years old, he always wanted Twilla or me to scratch his back-- promising to giive us a quarter, though he never paid up!! I hope he knows how much I loved him and how much I regret not seeing him before he passed away. He was the best older brother a girl could have.
May you now be pain free and rest in peace.
Your Sister, Denise



Denise HURD - May 08, 2017 at 03:41 PM

TZ

We lived far away from each other, but I always enjoyed talking on the phone with my brother, Phil. It was always great to hear his voice, I will miss him. Twilla zinkann (sister)

Twill Zinkann - May 10, 2017 at 06:48 PM



“ Joann & Family,

So very sorry to read about Phil's passing. Beings that the Wadley family has always been so close, I didn't even know he was sick! I remember I used to call him Uncle Phil when I was young, never could grasp that we were cousins!! You have my deepest sympathy. Jennifer Wadley Kistner (Al's daughter)



Jennifer Kistner - May 08, 2017 at 03:35 PM