



Richard W. Phillips

June 26, 1938 - June 14, 2018

Richard W. Phillips (Dick) of Centreville, MD, passed away peacefully of complications from pulmonary fibrosis on Thursday June 14, 2018, at his home with his family by his side.

Richard was born June 26, 1938, in Gumboro, DE, son of the late Robert and Louise Phillips. He married Rosanne White in 1957, and had three children, Dale and his wife Brenda, Richard and his wife Laura, and Lisa Smith and her husband Gary.

He is survived by his seven grandchildren, Caroline, Rebecca, Amanda, Jason Phillips and his wife Heather, Dawn Stead and her husband Mike, Emily Whitsett and her husband Danny, and Bradley and his fiancée Kelsey; four great-grandchildren, Mitchell, Colin, Samantha, and Nicholas Stead; his sisters, Patsy Fearins and her husband Ronnie (Preston, MD) and Janet Anderson (Hebron, MD). He is preceded in death by his brother, Vernon Phillips.

He was employed by Delmarva Power for 38 years, and retired in 1994 as District Manager. Following retirement, he became director/curator of Queen Anne's Museum of Eastern Shore Life. In 1996, he used his craftsmanship skills to begin his own woodworking business. He recently retired as property manager of the Jesuit Community in Centreville, where he worked for over 20

years.

In 1967, Delmarva Power transferred Richard to the Eastern Shore of Virginia. While there, he enjoyed renovating their 200 year old home. Favorite family memories were spent horseback riding, boating and making homemade ice cream. While living in Virginia, he was a member of the Cape Charles Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad and served on the Board of Education for Northampton County.

After moving to Maryland in 1979, he served on the Board and was a member of various organizations such as Centreville Business Association, Cross Roads, Centreville Rotary Club, Hospice, Christmas in April, Character Counts, United Methodist Men and trustee of the Centreville United Methodist Church. He was also a proud member of the National Guard as well as the Mardela Springs Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Maryland No. 170 for 50 years.

Richard will always be remembered for the time that he spent and the love that he had for his family. He was always willing to sit down to talk and tell stories with everyone, even those he had just met. Richard enjoyed time spent working in "Pops Workshop" and was well known for his wood carving, which he loved gifting to his family and friends. Richard's love, kindness, service and faith will be sorely missed, but greatly remembered by all.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, June 18, at 11 a.m. at Centreville United Methodist Church at 608 Church Hill Road, Centreville, Maryland. A visitation and luncheon will be held in the Fellowship Hall following the service.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Centreville United Methodist Church or Compass Regional Hospice, at 160 Coursevall Drive,

Centreville, MD 21617.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

Centreville Methodist Church
608 Church Hill Road
Centreville, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Richard W. Phillips*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Richard W. Phillips*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Richard W. Phillips*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Richard and Lisa. I am so sorry about the loss of your dad. Such a hard, life changing event in your lives. May God help and keep you both safe in the hard days to follow.*

Ellen Cooper - June 21, 2018 at 09:43 PM



“ *Dale, Jason, and family I'm sorry to learn of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Jake Haniffee - June 19, 2018 at 01:29 PM

CW

“ *Centreville Methodist Women sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard W. Phillips*



Centreville Methodist Women - June 18, 2018 at 09:45 AM

CW

What a great man that loved his church and people. We will surely miss his smiling face and thanks to him for all of the great work he did to help the Methodist Women. God bless the family at this time. Love you and your family, Centreville Methodist Women

Centreville Methodist Women - June 18, 2018 at 09:47 AM

DW

“ *David Jr & Kathy Wenck lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips*



David jr & Kathy Wenck - June 18, 2018 at 06:03 AM

DC

“ Dick Phillips invited me to join the Centreville Rotary Club. I accepted, and, for more than 20 years, it was one of the most rewarding things I have ever done. Dick became my friend, a mentor, a confidant, an, in many ways, a brother. He was a selfless man who always had time for anyone who needed help of most any kind. And that help came with a smile, a genuine smile. After I retired, Dick and I didn't see each other often, but he was never far from my thoughts. And I knew he was as close as the phone if I needed him. Now, though, he is gone. I know I will think about him often, and I will miss him every day.

Dan Cannon

Dan Cannon - June 17, 2018 at 08:38 PM

DC

“ *Roseanne and Family:*

Centreville has lost a friend, as has everyone who knew Dick. Everyone who came in contact with Dick became his friend. He was a special man, a family man, a gentle man. Although we are unable to attend the Memorial Service, our hearts and our prayers will be with you all.

Dan and Sandy Cannon

Dan Cannon - June 17, 2018 at 08:27 PM

LA

“ *Hugs and prayers for the entire family.*



Lisa Adkins - June 17, 2018 at 07:07 PM



“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 17, 2018 at 01:24 PM

SD

“ Dick and I did Character Counts when it first started and I could not have had a better partner. He was a wonderful man and friend. I remember when he build a model of the six pillars. He lived every one of them daily! I am lucky to also have one of his duck carvings that I cherish!!!

sara jane davidson - June 16, 2018 at 10:09 PM

BT

“ Betsy Truitt lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips



Betsy Truitt - June 16, 2018 at 04:22 PM



“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 16, 2018 at 03:46 PM



“ *Dick was a wonderful man. I loved working with him at the Craft fairs and other projects. He always has a warm smile and was willing to pitch in and help. I am lucky to ave known him. My condolences to you at this difficult time. He is smiling down on all of us.*

Rita Mielke

Rita Mielke - June 16, 2018 at 03:35 PM

KC

“ *Karen L Colley lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips*



Karen L Colley - June 16, 2018 at 02:53 PM

KC

*Dear Phillips family,
Mr. Phillips was one of a kind; a gentle and caring man who loved his family, his church and his community. We are all blessed to have known him.
Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you and pray you will be comforted by the prayers and kind words that will be shared with you.
Sincerely, Karen, Ken and Erin*

Karen L Colley - June 16, 2018 at 03:02 PM

JC

“ *John And Peg Chlada lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips*



John and Peg Chlada - June 16, 2018 at 11:18 AM

DP

“ *Doug Pierson lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips*



Doug Pierson - June 16, 2018 at 08:34 AM

KC

“ *Kay Councill lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips*



Kay Councill - June 16, 2018 at 08:16 AM

RA

“ *Richard & Holly Abel lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips*



Richard & Holly Abel - June 16, 2018 at 08:13 AM

AA

“ *I am so sorry for your loss . It was an honor to know him.*



Andrea Alduino - June 16, 2018 at 06:19 AM

JE

“ Jennifer And Trevor Ewing lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips



Jennifer and Trevor Ewing - June 16, 2018 at 12:07 AM

SM

“ Steve Tina Martin lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips



Steve Tina Martin - June 15, 2018 at 10:12 PM

GP

“ Gene & Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Richard W. Phillips



Gene & Lynda Palmatary - June 15, 2018 at 08:20 PM

GP

To the Philips Family: What a wonderful man that has left our community. He loved his family, friends and life. When the Lord calls our loved ones home, he leaves a gift of memories in exchange. Hold on to your memories and let them guide you during this time of sadness. We cannot feel life's losses without first feeling the blessings of its fullness. You are in our thoughts, our hearts and our prayers. Mr. Dick you will surely be missed, but your smiling face and love for others will never be forgotten. God Bless, Love, Lynda and Gene Palmatary

Gene Palmatary - June 15, 2018 at 08:25 PM

JP

“ JoAnn & Royden Powell lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips



JoAnn & Royden Powell - June 15, 2018 at 07:15 PM

DC

“ David And June Clark lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips



David and June Clark - June 15, 2018 at 04:41 PM

DC

Dear Phillips Family,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. i enjoyed my visits with Dick and Roseann.

David and June

David and June Clark - June 15, 2018 at 04:44 PM

BP

“ Sincere condolences to all the family. Mr. Phillips was a great man. He will be missed by many.



Bruce & Lisa Plummer - June 15, 2018 at 04:14 PM

JP

“ John And Phyllis Perkins lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips



John and Phyllis Perkins - June 15, 2018 at 03:38 PM

JE

“ Jim And Mary Ann Edwards lit a candle in memory of Richard W. Phillips



Jim and Mary Ann Edwards - June 15, 2018 at 03:21 PM

JE

*To Roseanne,Lisa,and Richard,We are so very sorry to hear of Dicks passing,Such a kind and wonderful human being to everyone,a great example for all.We send our most heartfelt sympathy and love to you.God Bless you at such a difficult time.
Jim and Mary Ann*

Jim and Mary Ann Edwards - June 15, 2018 at 03:46 PM