



Philip Ray Richardson

March 8, 1941 - July 9, 2016

Philip Ray Richardson, 75 of Centralia, passed away Saturday, July 9, 2016 at his home. He was born March 8, 1941 in Centralia, the son of Raymond Richardson and Helen (Phillips) Richardson. Philip married Sheila (McDonald) Richardson on June 15, 1979 in Salem, Illinois. In addition to his wife Philip is survived by two sons: Chad Richardson and wife Tara of Seattle, Washington, Jed Richardson and wife Preston of Mill Valley, California; one daughter: Justine Scheriger and husband Todd of Hendersonville, Tennessee; five grandchildren: Harper Richardson of Seattle, Washington, William and Benjamin Richardson of Mill Valley, California, and Michael Scheriger of Washington D.C. and Paige Scheriger of Gainesville, Florida; one brother: John Richardson and wife Ann of Centralia, Illinois; three sisters: Janet Gill and Husband Paul of Bloomington, Illinois, Charlotte Dunham and husband Roger of New Salem, Illinois, Debbie Hammond and husband Bill of Centralia, Illinois; many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother-in-law: Paul McDonald, one sister-in-law: Missy McDonald, and two nieces: Libby McDonald, and Lori Gill Conner. Phil received his bachelor's degree in agriculture from Illinois State University. He was a high school agriculture teacher and coached basketball at both the grade school and high school level. He owned Richardson Ag Service and operated the Centralia Elevator. He later worked for Central States Environmental Services. He was an accomplished horticulturist. Phil served in the United States Navy. While stationed in Honolulu, he was honored to serve as a lifeguard while President

Kennedy swam laps. Phil and Sheila have enjoyed their horse farm for nearly two decades. They have traveled all over Southern Illinois and Southern Missouri, and as far as Utah going on trail rides and camping with good friends. Phil always loved farming. He enjoyed helping his brother John during farming season. When he was no longer able to help on the combine, he enjoyed going for rides in the country to inspect the crops. Phil was an avid sports fan and was an accomplished athlete in high school and during his time in the Service. He played many sports in his youth but didn't discover his love for golf until much later. He was dedicated to the sport and earned the nickname "five iron Phil." He quickly became known for his mad putting skills and even enjoyed hitting a hole in one. Phil was a good friend to all. He loved his church, his friends, and especially his family. He impacted everyone he came across. Everyone has a funny story or a fond memory of him; his stories, his laugh, and his kindness. Per his wishes, cremation rites will be accorded and a visitation will be held on Thursday, July, 14, 2016 from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia. Funeral Services will be held Friday, July 15, 2016 at 10:00 AM at the First Presbyterian Church in Centralia with Chaplain Joannie Naraghi officiating. Private family burial will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Celtic Hospice or the First Presbyterian Church in Centralia. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Philip Ray Richardson*



Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services - October 26, 2018 at 10:38 AM



“ *We send our sympathy to Sheila, Chad, Jed, Justine, John, Debbie and his other sisters. The Richardson family touched our lives in many ways. Raymond was my boss at Raccoon School, Debbie taught me how to quilt and Phil was our neighbor for a time. Whenever we bumped into Phil, he always had a smile and a tale or two to share. Our family sends our condolences and love to all the family.*

Jeff & Linda Ludwa - July 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Phil and I were high school friends and we stayed friends all of these years. He was a great friend and father. He always talked about his love for his kids. Sending my thoughts, prayers, and hugs to each of you.*

Harriet "Suzy" Temple Hood - July 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ To Sheila and the Richardson Family, Phil will be missed by all, however, he has left so many fond and happy memories with us.
Dick & Debbie Garnier

Dick & Debbie Garnier - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JL

“ My deepest sympathy to all of Phill's family and friends. As his cousin I knew him all my life and I have only good memories of him.

Judy Lender - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Sincere condolences.

Tom/Nina Martin - July 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ Cathy Weas Jones and Family

July 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ To the entire Richardson family and John&Ann, my sincerest sympathy. The video is wonderful.

Karen Mathewson - July 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GF

“ DEBBIE & FAMILY, SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. MAY GOD GRANT YOU THE STRENGTH TO GET THROUGH THESE TRYING TIMES

GEORGIA JONES-RICHARDSON & FAMILY - July 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM

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“ *becky mcolley*

becky mccoey - July 10, 2016 at 12:00 AM