



Philip H. Collins Sr.

March 15, 1929 - March 29, 2020

Manchester - Philip H Collins Sr., 91, of Manchester, died peacefully on Sunday morning March 29th 2020 at his home.

He was born in Quincy, MA on March 15th 1929 a son of the late George H. and Bertha (Moora) Collins.

He graduated from Thayer Academy in 1946 and Holy Cross in 1950. He served with the first Marine Division in Korea for all of 1951 as platoon leader receiving a commendation with a "V" for valor and the Korean medal with four stars. When he returned home, he was an instructor at the Marine Officers School until he retired as a captain in 1958.

He spent his career in the leather business at Hamel Leather, left and started his own business Collins Lea, that later became Collins Johnsen.

After he retired from the Leather Business he served as a trustee of the Old Portsmouth Hospital and was involved with the sale of the hospital HCA where he remained as one of the trustees for six years. He was a member of the "Red House" for twenty-five years He was a member at Abenaqui for 45 years, served on the Board and was the treasurer for two years. Little known fact he got a hole in one on the 9th during a member guest as treasurer...After that bar bill, we now have hole in one insurance at Abenaqui. His was not a low handicap, but he managed to have four holes-in-one, and played in the NH seniors for 25 years.

Phil was a good man and had a good full life.

He was a loving husband to the late Patricia Ann Collins for 63 years until she passed September 4th 2013.

Surviving family members include his children, Philip H Collins Jr. and his wife Joan Collins of North Hampton, Judy Collins and her husband Roger Whitaker, Mary St. Gelais

of Hampton, and Daniel Collins and his wife Harper of Lawrenceville NJ; also survived by eleven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by daughter Patricia Collins of Florida and son David Collins of Simpsonville, SC.

Due to the current situation and restrictions on public gatherings all services are postponed and will be announced at a later date.

Comments



“ I have so many wonderful memories of my parents, Dan & Anne Gallagher, with Phil and Pat - they really knew how to have fun and laugh together. What a warm and wonderful man Phil was, always there for family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers for the family and hope for life everlasting.

Patricia Gallagher

Patricia Gallagher - April 02, 2020 at 11:31 AM



“ So very sorry to hear of Phil's passing. I have very fond memories of he, Pat and the entire Family. My heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with you
Mary Lou Elias

mary lou elias - April 01, 2020 at 05:01 PM



“ Phil lived at Meetinghouse with many other seniors. I am the nurse there and enjoyed his company very much! He was able to reunite with a childhood friend there and was very happy to look after her. He was always polite and pleasant with staff and residents. He was very proud of his service, telling me he “got all his guys out” , didn't loose one! I told him he was a very skilled leader and he loved that. Due to the recent health issues, I missed seeing him on a daily basis. It is with great sadness that he will not be there when I return. He was a real special guy!
Shirley RN supervisor!

Shirley Dennis RN, BSN - April 01, 2020 at 10:01 AM



“ Sincere condolences to you in Phil's passing. I enjoyed chatting with him many times when I was the Nursing Supervisor at the Meetinghouse. He had such great stories, he will be missed.

Cheryl, RN

Cheryl - March 31, 2020 at 05:45 PM



“ I am sorry to hear of the passing of a great guy. I met Phil when I moved to Hampton in 1981. In the early years and the beginning of my coaching in HYA Phil was our Treasurer and a great one at that! So many good memories and laughs. Prayers go out to the Collins family. RIP Phil. You were an inspiration to so many. Brian Warburton , Hampton

Brian Warburton - March 31, 2020 at 04:35 PM