



Phillip K. Vance

February 7, 1944 - October 23, 2011

Dateline: Alton

Phillip K. Vance, 67, died at 11:50 p.m. Sunday, October 23, 2011 at his home surrounded by family. Born February 7, 1944 in Seattle, WA, he was the son of Victor R. and Mary G. (Kell) Vance. He graduated from Salem Community High School in 1962. He then attended Southern Illinois University in Carbondale until he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was stationed in Hawaii and served from 1966-1968. After his service he continued his education at S.I.U.C. graduating in 1970 with a degree in Science. He retired in 2006 from Varian Corporation based in California. Phil was an avid outdoorsman and gardener. He was a member of Main Street United Methodist Church in Alton, the National Rifle Association, and was Captain of two teams for six years with the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. On April 23, 1988 in Venice, FL, he married the former Nancy (Campbell) Martz. She survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Jan R. Martz of Boulder Creek, CA, and Heidi L. Holt and her husband Jim of Buford, GA, four grandchildren, Thomas and Rebecca Koshi, Andrew and Austin Holt, one sister, Sharon Sue Mann and her husband Jerry of Greenwood, IN, one niece and two nephews, Stephanie Mann, Kurt Mann and Christian Mann and his wife Andrea and their children, Aidan, Avery and Addison. The family will receive friends from 10:00 a.m. until time of memorial service at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, October 29, 2011 at Main Street United Methodist Church. Reverend Jame Hahs will officiate. Memorials may be made to the American

Cancer Society Relay for Life or Main Street United Methodist Church. Gent
Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Phillip K. Vance*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Phillip K. Vance*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *My deepest symnpathies to the family. May the God of all comfort strengthen you now and the days ahead because He is near to us broken-hearted.*

(Psalms 34:18

A. Jackson - November 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Nancy,*

Our hearts and prayers are with you. Phil was always warm and friendly and acted like he had known us all his life.

We know you will miss him terribly.

John & Carole Baker - October 31, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Nan,

Phil ran the good race and is now relaxing at the finish line with our Lord.

What a priviledge to know him. We will miss him dearly.

Steve & Dorothy

Dorothy Benda - October 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ We knew Phil when he attended Salem Community...his family and my family attended the same church and he was my younger brother, Ed Spain's best friend. His Dad and Mother were wonderful, godly people as was Phil.

Nancy, you were such a blessing in his life....we have carried you in our hearts and have prayed for you and your family knowing that the Lord, our faithful comforter, will sustain you and carry you through this time. Life passes so quickly.

It will not be long until we

are all reunited together with Christ.

Know that you are greatly loved.

In His love,

Bill and Cathy

Bill and Cathy Spain - October 29, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AE

“ Nancy,

I will miss my "Uncle Sil". I am so glad Phil and Dad were such good friends. I am so sorry for you loss.

Amy Elliott - October 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NW

“ We knew Phil through his sister, Sue. If he's anything like she is, his generosity and kindness were integral to his life. We hold all who love him in our hearts and prayers.

Natalie Weir - October 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ We are going to miss you dear friend. You and Nancy mean so very much to us. You have been there with us through thick and thin and we feel honored to call you a friend.

Smokey and Beverly - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ Nancy,

Phil and I are so very sorry for your loss. You were a great couple. We enjoyed both of you in the daylilly club. May God be with you.

phillip and ann ellis - October 24, 2011 at 12:00 AM