



Philip Wendell Harvey

June 15, 1953 - October 29, 2017

Philip Wendell Harvey, a 15-year resident of Vallejo, California, passed away in the early afternoon, on Sunday October 29, 2017, at the age of 64, in his Vallejo home, after nearly a year of a courageous fight with throat cancer. Philip was born June 15, 1953 in Los Angeles to the parents of Yvonne Link and Charles Harvey. He graduated at Chatsworth High School in the San Fernando Valley of Los Angeles. He received his Associate Degree from Cosumnes River College in Placerville, California in Human services. Philip's profession began as a paper boy in the suburb of Canoga Park, where he was taught by his father to never walk on anyone's lawn, while delivering their newspapers. This the beginning of his strong work ethics. After graduating from high school he moved to Lake Tahoe for 7 years working various jobs in a tire shop to returning rental cars to the towns they came from. He would later move to Placerville for the next 30 years. Employed in many jobs from construction, painter, cook, and ending as a Social Worker for El Dorado County. In the summer of 2001 he would attend a Social Worker conference in Davis, California where he would meet a fellow social worker of Napa County, Diana. They would marry 7 months later. In early fall of 2002, Philip and Diana would buy their first home together in Vallejo, California and Philip would transfer as a social worker to Solano County (Fairfield, CA). Both loved to travel, leaving social work, in 2006 and attending trucking school with Schneider International trucking for 2 full years. They both drove in shifts throughout the united states delivering freight to all states but Maine, in severe

rain and snow storms, tornados, and perfect weather. Later, they would work for the same local trucking company delivering wine and related products to wineries throughout California.

Philip was involved with the Rock and Gem Club of Vallejo as well as the Kayak and Bicycle Club of Vallejo. He was an artist in many forms from welding, building anything and fixing almost anything that needed fixing. He enjoyed sailing, cycling, hiking, camping, road trips and more road trips. When people speak of Philip, the forefront of his character was his incredible storytelling and witty sense of humor. And more importantly, his long friendships with his grade school pals to new friends, he was an extremely loyal friend, and always offered his service to anyone that needed help. He was a neighbor you wanted to live on your block. He was a man you'd want to be your friend.

Philip is preceded by his father, Charles Harvey.

Philip is survived by his wife, Diana Harvey of Vallejo, CA mother, Yvonne Link of Diamond Springs, CA, daughter, Danielle Varozza of Placerville, CA, daughter, Rachael Milazzo of Fairbanks, Alaska, son, Mahka Blu Wakpa (formally Jesse Johnson), brother, David Harvey of El Paso, Texas, and grandchildren, Benjamin, Jesse, Abbie, and Hante and another on the way. Philip had a "home funeral" in his Vallejo, CA home with many family and friends attending. Cremation following with Bryan and Braker Funeral Home of Fairfield, CA.

The family wants to express deep gratitude to the "Hospice of the East Bay"" for every one of their angels that crossed the threshold of his home and lovingly cared for this kind and funny man, Philip Harvey....

Tribute Wall

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“ Our deepest sympathy to the Harvey family on the loss of your father, son, husband, brother & dearest friend, Phillip! We hope that the love he had for all of you will always bring you fond memories of your life together! May God bless and comfort you! Larry & Ceci Chavira from El Paso, Texas



Larry and Cecilia Chavira - November 05, 2017 at 10:36 PM

LJ

“ A lifetime of friendship... from Winnetka Elementary School through Chatsworth High. Re connecting in Lake Tahoe and then again in Cameron Park.

Phil, we called him. Our kids called him "Fil". We would see a note on the phone pad, "Fil" with an F called - it stuck all these years. So many memories...

But what do we remember most about Phil Harvey? The smile when he would walk through the door, EVERY TIME. The crooked little grin he could get while telling a story or voicing an opinion. The positive energy and kind words he spoke would always make us feel just a little taller.

Do you know what we DIDN'T know about Phil all these years? His gift of writing. WOW!

We have been awed these last weeks with his words regarding life. We will take heart. They have hit hard. We are blessed with more living and more gratitude to take care of.

We are so grateful for our last visit such a short time ago and will remember him standing on the porch waving his last goodbye. Phil, you will be missed, but still vivid in our daily paths because of your words and the man you were.

Our love and prayers to ALL of you, his loving family and friends. We hope it helps to know we all care so deeply.

Rich and Linda Johnson

Linda Johnson - November 02, 2017 at 12:18 AM

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“ To Philip's family; know that I share in your loss of such an amazing man who will be dearly missed.

Tina - November 01, 2017 at 01:17 AM



“ Tina lit a candle in memory of Philip Wendell Harvey



Tina - November 01, 2017 at 01:12 AM



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Tina - November 01, 2017 at 01:11 AM