



Philip Musgrove

June 24, 1941 - June 24, 2011

Philip Musgrove, 70, of Kingsford and formerly of Wauconda, Ill., passed away peacefully at his home on Friday, June 24, 2011, surrounded by his loving wife and family.

He was born May 26, 1941, in Lakeland, Fla., the son of John and Norma (Jenkins) Musgrove.

Phil married Patricia Belleno on June 8, 1963, and she preceded him in death on Jan. 18, 1995.

Phil worked in the automotive industry most of his life. As a young man, he was fascinated with fast cars and Ford engines. He became a master engine mechanic and was known throughout the Ford racing industry as an "engine building genius." His skills were sought after by many of the racing teams and car owners. Phil's custom built engines won many races. He was employed by Victor Ford in Wauconda before going to work for the city of Highland Park, Ill., retiring in 1999.

A man of many hobbies, Phil's expertise as a fisherman was known to his family and friends. He spent many hours fishing for that "trophy" pike or walleye throughout the Upper Peninsula and northern Wisconsin. He would share his skills with anyone who would ask and was known to weave some

wonderful "fishing" stories to all who would listen.

It was on one of his many fishing trips up north that he met and married his wife, Debra (Minella) Musgrove. They were married on Oct. 17, 2002. Phil was also a very talented woodworker and his skills were known to many.

Philip is survived by his wife, Debra; his mother, Norma Musgrove of Florida; sons, Robert and Matthew; stepchildren, Carolee Clark and Scott (Tanya) Popp; seven grandchildren, Joelynn Musgrove, McKinsie and McKayla Musgrove, Jaimie Oien, Justin Rock, and Averie and Ian Popp; one great-grandson, Carter Billadeau; brothers, John (Gale) Musgrove and Michael (Sonya) Musgrove; his father-in-law and mother-in-law, Jack and Marlene Minella of Kingsford; brothers-in-law, Jon (Christine) Minella and Thomas (Vicki) Belleno; sisters-in-law, Diane Hulbert and Donna (Frank) Rahoi; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, John Musgrove in 1996.

Visitation will be Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at American Martyrs Catholic Church in Kingsford.

A memorial Mass will follow at 11 a.m. at the church. Fr. Joseph Gouin will officiate.

A reception celebrating Phil's life will be held on Saturday, July 2, at 2 p.m. at his home, 305 Riverhills Road in Kingsford.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Philip Musgrove online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Homes of Iron

Mountain with the arrangements

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **28.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

American Martyrs Catholic Church
908 W. Sagola Ave.
Kingsford, MI 49802

Funeral Mass

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Tribute Wall



“ *Miss you pa!!!*

Carolee Pearson-Clark - April 11, 2016 at 07:47 PM



“ *Worked with Phil for a short time at Highland Park he was a good friend sorry I lost track of him*

P Walsh - Watersmeet, MI - coworker - March 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Missing you Pa....I love you! Do you like your garden? I bet you do...ma n mary worked very hard on it....and the new support wall by the pond? looking good huh? Tell Gram we miss her too n love her always! you two behave, you don't wanna get kicked out! love you always..*

Carolee Pearson-Clark - KINGSFORD, MI - Daughter - August 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ It's almost been a month with out you Pa...Ma is hanging in there, she has her days...she's lost without you. I miss you so much! I think about you all the time...I have a favor to ask you, yes yet another one...could you please let her know you're not far. She is truly lost without you, we all are but you had her so spoiled that she gets easily frustrated and during those times you can see the pain in her eyes, cuz it's usually over doing something that you usually took care of. I'm trying my best to be patient with her but I could use a little help from you, if you could just please help calm her soul. You are her soul mate and even tho your not physically here anymore if you could some how let her know you're love and spirit haven't and will never leave her, I am sure it will ease her pain, and sure would help me out a he**ofalot!!! hehe...

Oh did you see the garden her and Mary made for you....isn't it beautiful! Grandpa said something to ma along the lines of "what are you doing making a shrine" lol. Mike and Ann send a huge box of plants and flowers to the church service, so if you ask me, I think you had a little something to do with that. You'd be really proud of ma, she's been working really hard, of course Mary lites the fire under her a** to get her going...hahahaaa :).

I hope you got your cigg ma sent up with our balloons to you...we'll be sending 2 more up on Sunday so be watching for them ok...

I miss you more than anyone could begin to understand, nobody knows how close we really were, I miss most our alone time when it was just me and you. And of course the occasional eating the door off the fridge ;} I am sorry we didn't get a chance to make that video we talked about...so very sorry!

Well I miss you and love you endlessly...your #1 daughter

Carolee Pearson - Daughter - July 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Rob, Matt and family,
Phil will be greatly missed by many. There are so many very pleasant memories of Phil, Pat, Rob and Matt while we all lived in Larkdale. We all loved to camp. The memories of New Hampshire camping in the White Mountains will always be a fond memory for me!!!! Phil and Pat were like my second parents, always knew I could go to them when I needed someone to talk to. so sorry we lost touch but you were always in my thoughts!!
Love,
Debbie Bishop-Gabriel

Debbie Bishop-Gabriel - Wauconda, IL - friend - July 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Boyd and I always enjoyed sitting at the Blind Duck and chatting with Phil and Debra. He always had a story or some advise to share. You have our deepest sympathy.

Connie Bailey - Kingsford, MI - friend - July 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Deb, Bob & Matt:
We are truly saddened to hear of the loss of Phil. We have shared many memories with Him and the Family. We are blessed that just last year We came up to Kingsford to spend time with Phil and Meet Deb. As always We had a Wonderful time, just sitting around and reminiscing! Phil will truly be missed! I know there is now a "FORD" Angel in Heaven looking over US. Phil and Whitney are probably talking shop, too! We love and will Miss You Phil!

Mitch, Kathy and Bonnie Sabaj - Long Time Friends - July 01, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I thank God that his struggle is over; that he endured such pain and major issues - and never complained once. Dad had many friends and loved them all. He sometime would have a hard shell; but always had a soft heart. I will miss our conversations of the past and all of those project cars we had; which we either ran out of time or money - unfortunately - time was the issue. Dad never missed a day of work - Never missed the opportunity to help anyone - and Never missed enjoying life with his good friends and family. Dad did miss a meal or two during tough times - so that I would go hungry.

God put Debbie in his life. There are no accents; and I could not have been happier for him that He put Debbie and Dad together and he loved her very much; so much so - he became a Green Bay Packers fan :) The few years they had together were wonderful

Thank you all for being part of his life!

Matt Musgrove - Cortland, IL - Son - June 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NF

“ Sorry to hear the news. Phil and I enjoyed being friends in Wauconda.
Norm Kindel

NORMAN KINDEL - NEWBERG, OR - Wauconda High Friend - June 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ My prayers are with you. There is no pain in heaven. Rest in peace.

Diane Bourland Price - Conover, WI - Former classmate - June 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

WI

“ Thanks for the laughs! Our prayers are with you!

Walt - Highland Park, IL - June 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ Our prayers are with the family. Phil and John were both at Wauconda. Maybe Phil got more than something out of shop classes based on his experience in later life as a "shop man".

Duane L. Andrews - Clinton, MS - High School teacher - June 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ I'm sorry for your loss

Karen (Berns) Hansen - June 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you always.

Love,
Claudette & Jerry

Claudette & Jerry Tourville - Chicago, IL - cousin - June 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Carolee & Debbie ,

Im very sorry for your loss . May God give you the stength to make it through this. Remember no one or nothing can take away the beautiful memories you have. Take Care Angela Paquin Poquette

Angela Poquette - Kingsford, MI - Friend - June 27, 2011 at 12:00 AM