



Phillip Arellano

July 7, 1938 - February 8, 2009

Philip Arellano, age 70 of Fort Collins died Sunday, February 8, 2009 at his home. Cremation is planned and a celebration of his life will be held Friday, February 13th from 4:00 until 7:00 pm at Catalyst Coffee at Shields and Horsetooth in Fort Collins. Hawaiian shirt attire is preferred for Phil's celebration. Felipe Arellano was born July 7, 1938 in Fort Collins to Filigonio and Magdalena Arellano. After high school, he entered the U. S. Navy and served for two enlistments before being honorably discharged. He came home and began working for the City of Fort Collins Parks and Recreation Department. Phil also ran a business, called, Phil's Sprinkler Systems. Phil was a straight forward, direct, honest and simple man. He loved to help people, play golf and grow vegetables and roses in his garden. He was also an excellent cook and had a warm genuine smile that could "stop traffic". He is survived by his wife, Jean; daughter, Cindy (and her fiance', Kyle Curran); and son, Felipe, Jr.; siblings, Walter, Carmela, Grace, Virginia, Ramona, Magdalena, Filigonio, Pita and Becky; his in-laws, Lydia, Ramona, Ronnie, Sylvia, Ruby and Tonya; grandsons, Cory and Robert Eichlin; his pets, Bailey and Mylee; as well as many wonderful nieces, nephews and friends. Phil was preceded in death by his parents, Filigonio and Magdalena; brother, Ernest; in-laws, John and Mary Gonzales; and brother-in-law, Jerry Gonzales. Phil's family requests that any memorial donations please be made, in lieu of flowers, to Pathways Hospice.

Tribute Wall



“ Phillip Arellano

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ Phil was a warm, fun-loving person. When our girls were younger, around Christmas he would dress up as Santa and come to the house. When we would visit them he would give them big, messy chocolate bars. He always had a smile on his face and he will live in our family's hearts forever.

Diedra Peck - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ With deep sympathy and prayers

Warren & Edna(Ernestine Cordova) Lybarger - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Phil's presence will always be missed, His smile, laughter and kindness will always be remembered. Phil seemed to touch peoples lifes like noone else could. My heart crys for for all of Phil's family. It is a blessing for me to even be included in knowing such a wonderful person and father. Pops you will be missed by many but always remembered. All my thoughts, prayers and Love goes out to all the Family.

Always watch over us Pops...Love you and will always miss you.

Kyle Curran - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ *My heartfelt condolence goes to your family for the loss of such a great man. He will be missed greatly.*

Lenna and Michael Deane - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ *To Jean and all of Felipe's family, I send my heartfelt sympathy. I am in Oregon with my children but heard from Julie that he had passed. Felipe was a very nice, kind neighbor. He kept his yard and house very neatly manicured and decorated very beautifully at Christmastime. There is a real loss in our neighborhood with his passing.
His wife and children and grandchildren were very special to him and he was very attentive to them.
I will miss him.
Sincerely, Cheryl Gatti*

Cheryl Gatti - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

FA

“ *warm laughter unseen
but a smile that is felt
my best friend, my pop.*

You were my best friend, my biggest fan and critic, and showed me the importance of the joy of love. Thank you for everything, especially my knowledge and stubbornness. I love you!!

Felipe Arellano - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Philip and i first met at work we worked for george kinnison. we instaled sprinkler systems and laid sod in fort collins and lived together in larime wyo while doing the same work. later we both went to work for utilites he with city of fort collins me for public service company and would see each other on jobs. his brother-in-law jerry and i were friends way back too jr-high and high school. Philip will be greatly mised.

delmar (bill) baird - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ We will miss Phil very much. The neighborhood will not be the same. Always loved to see him coming down the street checking things out. Please call If there is any thing we can do. our love and prayers to the whole family and especially you Jean. Love Tom and Julie

Tom and Julie McDonald - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ What a great guy!! Always warm, friendly and ever so willing to help. You couldn't ask for a better neighbor. You'll be missed my friend!!

Doug Wilkerson - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ After all those years of raising "hell" (teasing you) about taking my B-DAY (being born on my birthday) now instead of trying to be the first to call on our birthday, I will release a ballon wishing you a "Happy Birthday"

Ron & Virginia Southworth - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HK

“ To the wonderful Arellano family. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this very sad time. I will never forget how you made me feel like a part of your family and how special my Christmas Eve was because of your kidness. I know there is a special angel in heaven looking down on us smiling. Take care. Love Helen

Helen Kazerooni - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WC

“ Dear Jean,
I am so sorry.. It wasn't in the paper until today so I missed the service.. Phil is a wonderful soul.. I love you guys! xoxoxxoxxoo

wendy cohen - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

V(

“ con mucho carino para mis familiares
I have sooooo many wonderful memories of Uncle Phil and my Tia Jeannie I don't know if there is enough room.

FAMILIES ARE FOREVER now and in the hereafter.

My son, Rafael, will be kicking back with Uncle Phil---I have no doubt of that.

*We love you all. Viv xoxoxoxoxoxo
Uncle Phil*

Vivienne (niece) - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ *Phil, it was a pleasure and a joy to know you! Your smile and your sense of humor always brightened my day when you walked into the pharmacy!! My heart goes out to Cindy, Felipe, Robert, Cory, Jean and all the family. Rest in peace, my friend!*

Kim Buchwald - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *As most of us know it is so hard to loose a loved one even when it is expected. We know though that Phillip is no longer suffering and is in a beautiful place with other loved ones that have passed before him and with God in heaven. Our hearts and prayers go out to his family and many friends in their time of sorrow. Keep his memory in your hearts as you go through your grief and as you move forward in your lives. I believe in remembering the humor that makes us smile and laugh. God bless you all*

Carolyn Southworth & Jim Micucci - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your Families.*

The Van Arnam Family - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ Virginia, I am very sorry to read of the passing of your brother. I know you do not remember me, but I lived next door to you while you were in high school and I was in Cheyenne, Wyo. at the air base. Hope that you are well and your family also. I believe that I knew your sister, Carmel Grace and your brother Walter. Take care of your self. You were such a beautiful lady in high school. Bless you Virginia.
Louis Leschnik.

Louis Leschnik - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ Phillip Arellano

Thomas Joy - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

HF

“ We will miss Felipe at Mass at Blessed John 23rd. We shared together, both spiritually and in a brotherly way, on Sunday mornings, when he could make it there.

We will miss him dearly.

Haji and Romola Fritz - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ Hi Jean and family, sorry for your loss. I and my girlfriend Lisa (no we didn't marry) met you and Phil tailgating. Boy I can taste Phil's green chile and your homemade tortillas right now! Geez that was a long time ago. The kids were just little. If I remember correctly Felipe was doing gymnastics. Take Care and God Bless,
Marty

Marty Gerlach - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

FG

“ TO ALL THE ARELLANO FAMILY!

Our deepest sympathy. GOD will be with you in your time of sorrow.

(I grew up in Ft. Collins - one of many Cordova's - Frances Cordova)

Frances & John Gallegos - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Jean and Family,
We are so sorry that Phil had to leave us so soon he will be missed by everyone. We just have to remember that he is where we will all reunite soon and all be at peace, he won't have to suffer anymore. I know you miss him dearly, but he left you with good memories and lots of knowledge. God Bless you all. And we love you
Ron, Ida and Family

Ron and Ida Gonzales - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ It was great to see Uncle Phil after so many years at Uncle Joe and Aunt Lydia's 50th anniversary this past summer. He was very complimentary of my father, whom he knew before his passing in the middle 60's. I appreciate his comments. I've lived here in California for most of my life now, but will never forget Uncle Phil's warm disposition since my earliest memories. Uncle Phil is one of those rare people who you can talk to and feel immediately at ease. There was no pretense about him, just a genuine spirit. Even though I had limited contact with him through the years, he made a positive impact on my life. Aunt Jean, you are in my prayers and I'm sorry for your loss. I wish I could have traveled out there for Uncle Phil's life celebration. Take good care, love Tom.

Thomas Joy - February 08, 2009 at 12:00 AM