



Philip E. Doherty

June 3, 1938 - September 14, 2022

Philip E. Doherty, 84, passed away September 14, 2022 in The Villages, Florida. He was born June 3, 1938 in Woburn, Massachusetts to Joseph and Norma (Beebe) Doherty. He served in the United States Air Force and was a police officer with The City of Miami Police Department for 20 years, retiring with the rank of Assistant Chief.

Philip's love and respect for law enforcement and the men and women who work in it continued throughout his life. With his wife, Doris, they started the Miami Police Veterans Association to connect, support and remember those who served in law enforcement. He was a loving husband and father, loyal friend, baseball fan, coin collector, owner of sports card stores and the author of three books.

Philip is preceded in death by Doris, his beloved wife of 59 years and survived by daughter, Lisa Gallagher; son, Tom Doherty; grandchildren Jessica Gallagher, Joseph Doherty, Matthew Gallagher and Cameron Doherty; sister, Marilyn Vinson; sister, Lorraine Heffner and brother-in-law, Jack Heffner; cousins, nieces and nephews. He is also preceded in death by brother, Gerald "Chips" Doherty; and grandson, Brian Gallagher.

Interment will be at the National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona in Phoenix.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Lady Lake, Florida.

Tribute Wall

LP

“ *Phil was very kind and supportive to my family after my father passed away. My deepest condolences to his family and friends.*

Lisa Palamara - October 05, 2022 at 06:39 PM

BA

“ *We were so sorry to hear of Phil's passing. We were neighbors on Candlebrook St. and enjoyed Phil's driving around in his golf cart and hearing his jokes and stories,. always smiling and sharing the news of the neighborhood. We shall miss " the Mayor of Auburndale'. Rest in peace dear friend. Beverly and David Albro*

Beverly Albro - September 26, 2022 at 06:18 PM

AR

“ *RIP PHIL! Thanks for being a great mentor and friend to so many. Your presence will be dearly missed!*



Art - September 18, 2022 at 09:09 AM

TL

“ *My prayers and condolences.*



Tammy Larkins - September 17, 2022 at 04:12 PM

LO

I am so sorry to hear. My thoughts and prayers to you and your family.

Laura O'Connell - September 17, 2022 at 08:33 PM

RB

Some of Phil's cemetery poetry He once told me "On this hill lies Phil against his will". On his visit to Indiantown Florida where we live Phil was thinking " who would ever live out there" He wanted me to open a pet cemetery. We visited Phil and Doris at their home in the Smoky Mountains. We had a nice visit. We drove around and showed us where "witness protection" people might live. My mom aunt Margaret loved Phil so much. When he had his baseball shop in Billerica Mass he would visit Aunt Margaret. They talked and laughed for hours. When Phil was about to leave my mum would break out a special "Bottle" she kept just for Phil so he would stay a while longer and he did. "We will miss His wit and humor " You are so very special Love bob and Gail Brown

Robert and Gail Brown - September 18, 2022 at 05:07 PM

GB

Phil and Doris lived down the street from us in the Villages and we always enjoyed stopping and talking to them, Phil would always drive by Bealls Outlet where I worked and just look in the window to make sure I was ok often. We missed them when they moved away and now we will truly miss them forever, our deepest sympathy to the family. God bless, Glenwood & Betty Browley

Glenwood & Betty Browley - September 18, 2022 at 07:44 PM

TD

*Thoughts and prayers for Marilyn, Lorraine, Lisa, Tommy and his grandson. His humor and wit will be missed.
RIP Cousin Phil*

Terry Doherty - September 19, 2022 at 01:52 PM

AH

I met Phil as a Public Service Aide at the police department. When he was in charge of Patrol I worked for him in a variety of roles. He was always friendly and helped in any way possible to make me better at my job and as a person. The experiences that I was exposed to while working for Phil, served me well in my law enforcement career and in my life. I left Miami and ended up in DC, but when I moved back to Florida I met another ex-Miami guy who knew Phil and we planned on going to visit. As it seems to happen so often in life, we waited too long for that trip and never got the change to go see Phil and thank him for his kindness and generosity.

Rest in piece and may you be in heaven 3 days before the devil know you died. Thank you for everything you did for me and so many like me. Archie Hart

Archie Hart - April 11, 2023 at 03:39 PM