



## Peter N. Phillips

August 7, 1935 - November 18, 2025

Peter Norman Phillips, 90, passed away on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, in Libertyville, IL. He was born in Cambridge, MA, to Langdon and Elisabeth Phillips. Peter loved to share many fond memories of growing up in small towns in central Massachusetts. In 1954, Peter graduated from the New Hampton School (NH), and in 1957, received a bachelor's degree from Babson College (MA). In 1957, he married Elizabeth Chisholm in Wellesley, MA, and in 1967, Peter moved his young family to Illinois, where he was a Libertyville resident for more than 50 years. In 2012, Peter moved to Victory Center in Vernon Hills.

Peter was a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, where he reached the rank of Captain. He was a lifetime member of the Marine Corps League. Semper Fi.

Peter began his career working in sales and business administration. For the last 20 years of his career, he managed several local movie theaters, including the Grayslake Outdoor and the Liberty Theater in Libertyville. In this role, Peter strove to provide excellent customer service and to be a kind and reliable colleague. He was also strongly committed to being a respectful and encouraging supervisor: "Mr. Phillips" was the first boss to many teens and young adults, who remember him fondly.

Peter was a faithful member of St. Joseph Catholic Church for 58 years. He was a member of the CHRP Men's Group, which impacted his life and faith enormously. These kind and supportive men expanded Peter's understanding of the Catholic faith and provided companionship until the end of his life. Peter also attended the Friday Morning Bible Study for many years, which was a great source of insight and knowledge. When he could no longer attend Mass, Peter was blessed to regularly receive Communion in his home and to view a livestream of Mass, both of which were a tremendous comfort.

Peter will be remembered for his good humor, kindness, prodigious memory and storytelling skills, but most of all, he will be remembered for his tremendous love for his wife and children. He will be greatly missed.

Surviving are 3 children, Mary Ann (Gary Levine) Phillips, Melissa Phillips, & John (Michelle Bloomfield) Phillips; 2 grandchildren, Austin (Tanya Marinovska) Deardorff and Ethan Deardorff; great grandchild, Mila; sister, Pamela Eames; sisters-in-law, Linda Phillips and Dorothy Cranton; and former daughter-in-law, Denise Phillips.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Elizabeth; son, Peter Gerard Phillips; 4 infant children; brother, David Phillips; brother-in-law, Herbert Eames; and former sons-in-law, Don Henderson & Kerry Deardorff.

Special thanks to: Randy Powers, who provided Peter with caring in-home assistance for more than 10 years; his many friends at Victory Center, who introduced him to many card games; the Outreach staff at Cook Memorial Library, who brought books to his home; and the committed medical staff at the Lovell Health Center, especially the Cardiology Department and Wound Care Clinic.

A visitation will be held from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Friday, December 5, 2025, at

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. in Libertyville. A funeral Mass with military honors will be at 10:00 a.m. Saturday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 121 E. Maple Ave. in Libertyville. The funeral Mass will be live streamed and a link is available on the funeral home website and also at <https://www.youtube.com/live/wmh5TiWprEM>.

For info: 847-362-3009 or share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to Meals on Wheels America, which delivered meals to Peter for many years (<https://www.mealsonwheelsamerica.org/donate/>).

Livestream Funeral Link, Dec. 6 at 10:00am  
<https://www.youtube.com/live/wmh5TiWprEM>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 5. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
120 West Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048  
(847) 362-3009

## Funeral Mass

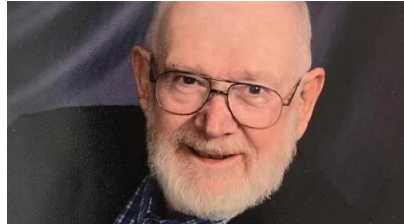
DEC 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
121 E. Maple Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048

# Tribute Wall



“ *Burnett-Dane Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Peter N. Phillips*



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**Burnett-Dane Funeral Home** - November 22, 2025 at 12:38 PM



“ *Margaret A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peter N. Phillips.*

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**Margaret A.** - December 02, 2025 at 10:06 AM