



Philip W. Shaw

July 26, 1948 - February 19, 2014

Philip Warren Shaw, born July 26, 1948 in Anderson, Indiana, died on Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at BroMenn Medical Center, Normal, Illinois. Philip was preceded in death by his mother, Frances Elizabeth Shaw, and survived by his sister, Angela Shaw Sheaffer; nephews, Benjamin Sheaffer (Aimee) and Adam Sheaffer (Dana); grand nephew and niece, Oliver and Violet Sheaffer; uncle and aunt, William and Marjorie Stork and eight cousins.

In lieu of flowers and in celebration of Phil's love and commitment to the performing arts community, memorials may be made to New Routes Theatre, member of the Illinois Theatre Consortium. Checks can be made out to ITC with New Route/Philip Shaw Memorial on the memo line and mailed to: ITC, c/o Peggy Prather, Treasurer, 26 Revolutionary Square, #1, Bloomington, Illinois 61704-6809; or, to Share the Music (a program that provides band and orchestra instruments for low-income children in the Bloomington-Normal area) c/o Joy, 1540 East College Avenue, Normal Illinois.

A memorial service is being planned and will be announced at a later date. Kibler-Brady-Ruestman Memorial Home in Bloomington is assisting the family with arrangements.

Comments



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Dear Family,

I wish to send my sympathy and condolences on the death of your loved one, Phillip Shaw. At times like this it is hard to find the words to express how we feel to surviving love ones. We have all suffered the pain of death when a love one passes. And while in some cases death may be expected if the person has had a long and blessed life, the pain of losing someone too soon and so unexpected can cause much pain and heartache. Please take some comfort in knowing that God's word the Bible states that humankind can and will live again. God, who is the creator of life(Psalm 36:9), has promised that. He will restore life to all in his memory. The Bible reports eight instances of humans-young, old, male, and female-who were brought back to life on earth.

God hates death. He views it as an enemy(1 Cor. 15:26). He has a "yearning" to conquer that enemy, to undo death by means of the resurrection. The Bible say, "There is going to be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous."

Read Genesis 3:17-19 and Romans 5:12 to see why we grow old and die. Yes, the dead will live again as stated at Acts 24:15. Phillip will live again.

Betty McCoy - May 20, 2014 at 09:46 AM



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My prayers go out to the family. He was one of my favorite professors; always making the class interesting and informative.

May 20, 2014 at 09:46 AM



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So very sorry for your loss. I first met Phil when i was a student teacher [Miss McCormick] at U-High and was blessed to have both Phil and Angie in a class where I was teaching Shakespeare! Phil and I met again as faculty at Lincoln College-Normal and renewed a wonderful friendship.I will always hear Phil when I read Shakespeare; the magnitude of your loss must be comparable to that equation. With deepesy sympathies.

Mary Adams - May 20, 2014 at 09:46 AM



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I know we have not connected probably since about 1966 but hope you remember me, and accept my heartfelt sorrow for you. Your and Phil's faces and voices are still clearly in my memory these many years later. My sister Tammy also passed recently and memories of our happy times in school are very clear in my mind now. Reading

of Phil's passing only made me more aware of how short our stay on this earth are! If you have time in the future please send a word, I attempted to phone you this morning but could not find a listing for you. Good luck in this time of sorrow time tends to heal although a bit slowly. Warm Regards Terry Oltman. 805. 6847524

terry oltman - May 20, 2014 at 09:46 AM



To Phil's Family

Phil Shaw was a major figure in the Central Illinois music and theater communities. When Judy and I initially saw him about 20 years ago in an ISU play, we marveled at his talent and stage presence. Phil and I sang together in the choral ensemble, Cantus Novus and enjoyed many good times together. It needs to be recognized that Phil was instrumental in the creation of Heartland Theatre in Normal which has become a staple to our Central Illinois cultural community. Phil will be missed greatly. Our sincere condolences to his family. Ed & Judy Hines

Ed Hines - May 20, 2014 at 09:46 AM



Angela, I just saw the paper today about Phil. I am so sorry for your loss. He was always a pleasure to work with. Take care.

Georgia Shultz - May 20, 2014 at 09:46 AM



Dear Shaw Family members:

During 1973-75 I was cast in several ISU shows with Phil during my grad school years. He was a highly talented man whose work I respected and by which I always attempted to measure myself.

He has left us too early as the theatre communities he served. Anyone who worked with Phil was the richer for having done so.

I am sorry for his loss and for yours.

Mary Cutler

ISU Theatre Masters Student 1973-75

Mary Cutler - May 20, 2014 at 09:46 AM



To Phil's Family,

Please accept my most sincere condolences for the loss of such a wonderful, talented human being. I had the privilege of being able to listen to Phil sing at the Sounds Of Christmas at State Farm for many, many years. He truly was the highlight of the show, and touched so many lives in a positive way.

Most Sincerely,

Major Steven J. Milligan
Assistant Project Manager
G4S Secure Solutions (USA) Inc.
At State Farm Insurance's CHQ

Steve Milligan - May 20, 2014 at 09:46 AM



“ Sorry for your loss Angie and family. I saw Phil around town a lot and at of course at Miller Park during the plays. He always had a smile. I have fond memories of you both from our time at the home.

Beverly Wilkinson-Jones - May 20, 2014 at 09:46 AM