

Philip Ivan Karp
February 15, 1925 - January 15, 2020

Philip Ivan Karp, 94, passed Wednesday, January 15, 2020 in Bradenton, Florida. Philip (Phil) was born February 15, 1925 to Louis and Nancy (Dallin) Karp in Mount Vernon, New York, the oldest of 2 children. He graduated from Mount Vernon High School in 1943.

Phil served in the Navy in WWII as an electrician's mate, third class. Phil graduated from Virginia Polytechnic University in 1948. Due to the flood of service people released from the military after the war, Phil found employment as an engineer in the tin mines of Bolivia. There he met and married his wife, Maria Luz Martinez. They had two children, Rosemarie and Joyce and moved back to the United States in 1951.

Phil began his career as a metallurgical engineer in New York. In 1954 the family moved to Ann Arbor, Michigan where Phil worked as a research metallurgist (Federal Mogul) adding two patents to his accomplishments. Subsequently he worked at Carpenter Steel (Pennsylvania) and Union Carbide (Indianapolis).

Phil was an avid reader who was curious about everything. He greatly enjoyed Broadway and classical music, operettas, especially Gilbert & Sullivan. He liked growing fruit trees ("you can't eat flowers!") and explored a wide variety of visual arts. During his retirement years, he mastered plique-a-jour, a challenging vitreous enameling technique.

Phil appreciated his time in Junior Achievement. He liked teaching and passing on what he'd learned to others. He liked a good joke to both give and receive.

Phil was preceded in death by his wife of 65 years, Maria Luz (2015), his sister Rita Coleman (2011). He is survived by his children, Rosemarie, and Joyce (Gary Hickerson); grandchildren, Jessica (Shawn) McBee and Nate Hickerson, cousin Ruth Schwartz, and numerous loving nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, January 23, 2020 at the Sarasota National Cemetery at 11:00 am.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Jewish War Veterans.		

## **Events**

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Sarasota National Cemetery 9810 State Rd 72, Sarasota, FL, US, 34241

## Comments



What a wonderful life your father had and a great family as well. Prayers are with you!

Susan Cheshire

Susan & David Cheshire - January 24 at 10:51 AM



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Nancy - January 22 at 09:46 PM



Joyce and family so sorry to learn of your dad's passing . I lunderstand how hwar the loss is and will be trust in Gods love.

Margo Kingsley - January 22 at 06:22 PM



Dear Gary, Joyce, Rosemarie, and family, We are praying for you today. May the best memories you shared with your father remain to comfort you as the years go by. We love you. From Mark and Nancian Hall; and the Ladies Guild.

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What a bright and accomplished man with such diverse interests and hobbies! He truly leaves such a lovely family as his legacy. Sending our prayers and most heartfelt sympathy.

The Leglers -- Kennedy and Mary Ann