



Phyllis Margaret Collins

August 24, 1935 - May 16, 2024

Phyllis Margaret Collins, age 88, of Sarasota, Florida passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 16, 2024, while surrounded by family.

Phyllis was born on August 24, 1935, to James H. Hope and Mary E. Beaubien in Detroit, Michigan. Phyllis was a registered nurse who spent much of her career in geriatric medicine, until she retired.

Phyllis leaves behind her devoted husband of 65 years, John Collins as well as her children, Steven Collins (Cindy) and Annie Avrutis (Tom), She is predeceased by her daughter Jeanne Dowell (Bob), her sister JoEllen Danckaert (Tom) and her brother James H. Hope II (Judy). She is survived by her brother Philip Hope (Sandra). Phyllis also leaves behind five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Phyllis was an avid reader of mysteries and loved golfing. She was also a longtime member of The Commonwealth Club in Warren, Michigan. Phyllis was loved by all who knew her and will be dearly missed.

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at Incarnation Church on May 21, 2024, at 9:30AM. The church is located at 2901 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota, FL 34239.

The service will also be livestreamed using the following link: www.incarnationchurch.org (click on “livestreaming” link). There will be a viewing for the immediate family at 9:00AM at the church. Flowers may be sent to Incarnation Church.

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 21. 9:30 AM (ET)

Incarnation Catholic Church
2901 Bee Ridge Road
Sarasota, FL 34239

Tribute Wall

HF

“ *Hennessy F. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Margaret Collins.*

Hennessy F. - May 21, 2024 at 12:55 PM

SH

“ *We've had many great times throughout the years. So many fun family get together's and lot of laughs. Always enjoyed the times together at your house at Christmas time. It was always fun to reminisce. You raised a great family and just know that you will be greatly missed by us all. Love your SIL, Sandi Hope 💕*

Sandra Hope - May 21, 2024 at 02:55 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.*



May 20, 2024 at 03:51 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.*



May 19, 2024 at 10:01 PM

TA

“ Tommy, Pam, Isabella, and Anneliese planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Margaret Collins.

Tommy, Pam, Isabella, and Anneliese - May 19, 2024 at 10:01 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



May 19, 2024 at 09:37 PM



“ I will always cherish the weekends we went to the Farmers Market. Looking for "treasures" and having a good laugh. The fish and chips dinners were special and you always made sure I had extra mushy peas. The boxes of ornaments and the Praying Santa will be displayed with tears this year. We shared a passion for Star Trek and both of us knew Captain Janeway was the best. Hallmark movies and Little House will pull tighter on the heartstrings. Thank you for my Little House books and my special teapot. Treasures that are immeasurable. I will miss you. Ever so much.

May 19, 2024 at 09:22 PM

DL

“ Dave and Carrie Lawler purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



Dave and Carrie Lawler - May 19, 2024 at 04:14 PM

SH

“ Sandra H. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



Sandra H. - May 19, 2024 at 03:40 PM

LF

“ Love, The Danckaert Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



Love, The Danckaert Family - May 19, 2024 at 01:04 PM

LF

“ Love, The Danckaert Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Margaret Collins.

Love, The Danckaert Family - May 19, 2024 at 01:04 PM

KH

“ Phyllis , You brought joy, happiness and laughter to all who met you. You will be deeply missed by everyone. Just a couple days ago Phil and I were reminiscing about you and the family and how blessed, fortunate and loved you all were.

Keith Hennessy - May 19, 2024 at 11:54 AM

KH

“ Keith, Beatriz & Payton Hennessy purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



Keith, Beatriz & Payton Hennessy - May 19, 2024 at 11:36 AM

NK

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Nicole Kuldell - May 19, 2024 at 11:18 AM

PH

“ 1 file added to the album Phyllis Margaret Collins



Philip Hope - May 19, 2024 at 10:42 AM

PH

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Philip Hope - May 19, 2024 at 10:32 AM

PH

Phyllis's siblings

Philip Hope - May 19, 2024 at 10:36 AM

TF

“ *The Rose and Thistle Golfing Friends purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.*



The Rose and Thistle Golfing Friends - May 19, 2024 at 10:11 AM

PH

“ I wish to extend my condolences to John, Annie and Stephen... My memories go back as far as I can remember... She was my “big sister”...Therefore she had many roles in my life... and with each role there are a flood of memories... From the babysitter, the stern disciplinarian, she was eight years older than I... There is a picture of her standing over a young sullen me dressed in cloth fitting some special occasion holding my precious toy rifle... Or in 1959 when I was 15 and hospitalized for those 40 days... it was Nurse Phyllis who confiscated my special magazine smuggled into the hospital by Cousin Johnny...However, I was extremely proud of her for being the first Hope ever to graduate from college...I remember how stunning she looked on the day she married John her husband of 67 years... She was an amazing mother who raised three children... She deserves an enormous amount of accolades for being a care giver, companion and “power” to our mother during her later years... What I will remember most is how in recent years through phone conversations, I begin to understand the depth and strength of her as a person... yes she was an avid reader which allowed us to discuss many topics... we discover that we both were SciFi fans... we discussed Asimov’s Foundation Trilogy and she introduced me to his I Robot series...In the end my “older sister” was a strong accomplished woman who I will deeply miss...

Philip Hope - May 19, 2024 at 10:10 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



May 18, 2024 at 08:38 PM

AA

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Annie Avrutis - May 18, 2024 at 07:28 PM

AA

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Annie Avrutis - May 18, 2024 at 07:12 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Annie Avrutis - May 18, 2024 at 07:07 PM

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Annie Avrutis - May 18, 2024 at 07:04 PM

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Annie Avrutis - May 18, 2024 at 07:02 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



May 18, 2024 at 06:40 PM

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Annie Avrutis - May 18, 2024 at 05:13 PM

GN

“ I worked with John for 10 years...did not realize he lived 1/2 mile away...met them on a walk...GREAT COUPLE.... met them dozen of times at both our houses over the last several years...she and my wife always had a glass of Port together...she was a fabulous person and will be greatly missed!!!

Gerard and Sue Noronha - May 18, 2024 at 12:39 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



May 18, 2024 at 11:34 AM

AB

“ Aubrey Blackman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Margaret Collins.

Aubrey Blackman - May 18, 2024 at 11:34 AM

VA

“ Vanessa and Vicki Avrutis purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



Vanessa and Vicki Avrutis - May 18, 2024 at 11:11 AM

IC

“ I so remember when they came to visit me in Hampshire, just loved having them. Please be rest assured of my thoughts and prayers.
Isobel xx

Isobel Chapman - May 18, 2024 at 10:33 AM

NN

“ Nicole, Mike, and Noah purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



Nicole, Mike, and Noah - May 18, 2024 at 10:25 AM

NN

“ Nicole, Mike, and Noah planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Phyllis Margaret Collins.

Nicole, Mike, and Noah - May 18, 2024 at 10:25 AM

MM

“ Maureen, Andy, Jack and Alex Mastrandrea purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Phyllis Margaret Collins.



Maureen, Andy, Jack and Alex Mastrandrea - May 18, 2024 at 08:58 AM