



## Phillip Wayne Houston

April 9, 1950 - April 30, 2017

Phillip W. Houston, age 67, of Herrin, IL, formerly of Marion, IL, passed away peacefully at 5:32 p.m. on Sunday, April 30, 2017, at his home in Herrin.

He was born in Marion, on April 9, 1950, the son of Samuel Calvin and Glendola Lee (James) Houston.

Phil attended school in Marion and was a graduate of Marion High School Class of 1968. He was first united in marriage to Mary Elizabeth Wells on April 19, 1974, in Marion, and together they shared nearly 26 years of marriage until her death on April 14, 2000. He later was united in marriage to Cheryl Clark on August 23, 2003, and together they have shared nearly 14 years of marriage.

Phil's working career was with Bill's Package Liquor Store in Marion for many years. He also worked for Timberline of Marion, for several years.

Earlier in his lifetime he attended and was an active member of Zion United Church of Christ of Marion.

He currently was an active member of the National Rifle Association.

Phil enjoyed learning and loved all types of books and enjoyed reading just about everything. He also enjoyed buying and selling guns, riding motorcycles and spending time with his dogs. He was very social and could talk to anyone.

He loved his family, especially his grandchildren, and was always interested in all of their activities. The many memories that have been created will now be cherished by those he leaves behind.

He is survived by his wife, Cheryl Houston of Herrin; daughter and son-in-law, Candice and Danny Wright of Marion; son, Brett Ridgway of Herrin; five grandchildren, Xander, Trea, Makayah and Regan Wright all of Marion, and Taylor Ridgway of Herrin; brother, Randal Houston of Marion; sister, Tina Neeley of Carbondale, IL; stepmother, Phyllis Houston of Marion; special niece, Amy Clark of Mitchellsville, IL, other extended family and many friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, first wife; son, Bryce Houston and daughter, Heather Houston.

Arrangements for Phillip W. Houston have been entrusted to Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home, 900 N. Court St., Marion.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

For those who prefer, memorial contributions may be made to either or both; “St. Francis Care Animal Shelter” of Murphysboro, IL or “The Multiple Sclerosis Society ” and mailed in care of Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home, 900 N. Court Street, Marion, IL 62959.

Memorial envelopes will be available at the funeral home.

For additional information please call the funeral home at 618-993-2131.

# Comments

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“ Childhood memories are not dimmed by time; when I hear your name, a smile comes to my heart. See you on the other side. Randy Snyder

**Randy Snyder** - May 03, 2017 at 11:55 AM

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“ Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home lit a candle in memory of Phillip Wayne Houston



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