



## Edward Gordon Phillips

April 27, 1936 - July 28, 2020

In Loving Memory of My Husband

Edward Gordon Phillips

Sunrise: April 27th, 1936 Sunset: July 28th, 2020

Edward was born to the Reverend Donald L Phillips and his wife Gertrude (née Brown) in Detroit Michigan on April 27, 1936. He lost his mother at a young age, but the family held together due to a strong father and elder sisters and brothers. Edward was one of fourteen children and four of his brothers plus one sister followed their father into the Ministry.

Edward accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior at a young age in his father's Church, New Bethel Baptist. Edward later met his bride, Audrey Carrington, when his family moved across the street in Detroit, Michigan.

Edward and Audrey became close as did both families. Edward joined the US Navy after High School and years later he and Audrey began dating after reuniting in California. They were married November 26, 1964.

Edward achieved the rank of Chief Petty Officer with notable wartime service on the USS Ranger (CVA-61) in Viet Nam. During his Navy Career he travelled to countless ports of call while he and Audrey were stationed overseas together in Japan, Hong Kong, and South Korea. In total, his Naval career spanned from 1962 to 1979.

Edward was a lifelong Christian Man who loved the Lord, loved his family and was a Father, Uncle, Brother, and mentor to countless people. He was

preceded in death by his mother, father, and siblings: Forestine, John, Clarence, Lillian, Miriam, Donald Jr., Paul, Morris, Melvin, Delores, Kenneth, and Felicia.

Edward is survived by his wife Audrey and by their children Jackie and John Moss. Additionally, he is survived by his brother William Phillips, and sisters-in-law: Cheryl Phillips, Ann Daily, Betty Carrington Brown and Sandra Phillips. Edward is also survived by many nieces, nephews, friends, and brothers and sisters in Christ.

# Cemetery Details

## Sacramento Valley National Cemetery

5810 Midway Road  
Dixon, CA 95620

# Previous Events

## Interment Service

AUG 4. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *My uncle Edward, what a awesome man! Someone you could always look up to, always full of wisdom, love and courage. Even when he lived overseas he was always reaching out to my family, forever concerned. Although he was in Japan and I was in Detroit he required a full disclosure of my scholastic progress. Our last conversation as usual was filled with wisdom, love and strength even though he was fighting serious health challenges. He will be greatly missed but always loved!*



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**April Glenn** - August 04, 2020 at 10:24 PM

ES

“ *In memory of Edward Phillips  
In time of sorrow when words of comfort is needed most, it seems they are most difficult to say.. but Audrey may you find comfort in the memories of your beloved husband.*

*I am indeed grateful I had the chance to met this man of God. God is welcoming him home with well done.*

*A family friend,  
Essie Milligan*

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**Essie** - August 03, 2020 at 06:52 PM

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“ *In Remembrance of My Beloved Brother, Edward:*

*From the football fields of Northern High School to our sailing on the high seas to the re-dedication to Christ, he has filled my heart with nothing but joy! He was not only a brother in the physical realm, but also in the Spirit. He leaves me with so many memories, such as sitting on our front steps on Kenilworth Street in the early-fifties telling me that one day a man will go to the moon. Just a few years ago, telling me that he believed he would see the coming of Christ. Last Tuesday, his wish was granted. Glory be to God!*



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**William Phillips** - August 03, 2020 at 02:16 PM

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“ *The Day God Took You,  
Uncle Edward Gordon Phillips*

*By Brigette Phillips*

*It was the shocking news that brought tears to my eyes.  
You made me remember what it was like to cry, love, let go,  
and Let God!  
On that dreadful day, it was between you and your God that he  
took you home!*

*There's a feeling in my skin, one that I can't ignore.  
I hate waking up in the morning, knowing I can't call you on the  
phone!  
I miss the way when you smiled, you lit up the whole night sky!  
I miss the way you taught me, to never at all be shy!*

*Thank you for always Loving me!*

*Your Niece,  
Brigette Phillips*

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**Brigette Phillips (Niece)** - August 03, 2020 at 11:11 AM

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“ *Fred, Loretta Alexander & Family purchased the  
Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Edward  
Gordon Phillips.*



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**Fred, Loretta Alexander & Family** - August 01, 2020 at 06:06 PM

BT

“ 7 files added to the album Memories Album



Brian M. Taylor - August 01, 2020 at 03:09 PM

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“ Edward Gordon Phillips was my Brother-In-Law , He will be missed by us all. He was truly a man of God. He loved his Wife , his church and his family. He always had a sense of humor even when you were feeling out of sort. He was stationed in San Diego, CA and he would come to visit us when he was on leave. One time I remember in the early 1960's He came to visit us in Los Angeles, CA. Audrey had surgery and my mother asked Edward how does she look? Edward answered, "Well Mom she always looks good to me". Edward always had a way of making you smile. He was our Family's Christian warrior, a Teacher and a Preacher when it came tto knowing The Word of God. I never heard him say an unkind word about anyone. Dearest Edward your journey has ended you fought the good fight, so please rest now in peace! Missing you already. Your Loving Sister-In-Law, Sandra Phillips, RN

Sandra Phillips, RN - July 30, 2020 at 11:07 PM