



Phillip "Phil" Hamula

May 4, 1942 - August 21, 2020

It is with great sadness I announce the death of my husband Phillip (Phil) Hamula at 78 years of age in Orlando, FL, on August 21st 2020, after a four year battle with heart valves. He tempted death more than once, but because of his desire to thrive he willingly took on extra procedures which brought him to New York and Cleveland. Phil was always open to new adventure and this was no exception. These extra procedures gave him 2 years more to grow closer to those he loved. Phil had a gentle spirit. He was also kind, impulsive and focused with a great sense of humor. In his last years with me he never lost these qualities. We were blessed to celebrate 50 years together.

Phil was born in 1942 in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada to Walter Hamula and Jean Hamula (Radosz). He grew up on a small farm that edged up to the North Saskatchewan River. He had imaginary friends and developed his love of animals in this spot. He traveled by his horse, Jenny, to his one room (grades 1-12) schoolhouse 2 miles away, slept in chicken holes, and ran with his dog Rex.

In his middle school years his family moved from the farm to a small town called Thorsby, about 50 miles from Edmonton. He was always searching out his friends, a tireless traveler with a specific plan in mind. At 14, his sister Charmaine (Sherry) was born. He finished high school at Jesuit College in Regina Saskatchewan. Often he stayed with his paternal grandmother and

accompanied her to the Polish Church. He felt a deep closeness to his Polish/Ukrainian heritage.

One year of college did not work for him, so he joined a telephone company climbing poles...Much fear in that job led him to join a Finance Company. While his career was blossoming in 1970, he met and married me...shortly after, Lisa, our 1st daughter was born. Then started our many transfers with his company, "The Associates", with promotions from Supervisor to Training Director in Canada, taking him from Edmonton to Vancouver, Ottawa and Toronto. In 1980 Phil was transferred to Dallas and became Training Director for Canada, the US, and England. At this time a 2nd daughter Julie-Anne was born. Always a great networker, Phil discovered an opportunity as a Mortgage Broker in Orlando. This would lessen his travel and allow him to spend more time with his family. In 1988 we made the move and have lived in the Orlando area ever since. I was also blessed to work with him for many years. He was a great leader.

Phil was a very involved Dad and Grandpa. He drove his daughters and granddaughters to and from school and supported their various activities. Lisa was involved with ballet from a young age and he sat through many ballet recitals. She even recruited him to be a performer in The Nutcracker. He never said no to his girls if they asked him. He took many cross country trips with Julie for her operatic training and jobs. His granddaughters took him on a different path of activities....down the road of track and cross country running.

Sports activity was an integral part of Phil's life. Baseball was a huge focus of his teenage years. Older members of a local baseball team recruited him for his notoriety as a left-hander and striking out batters. His physical abilities led him to excel in curling, tennis and golf (with 2 holes in one). He loved to watch football and golf, and was even known to place a bet or two.

Phil also loved to drive. He traveled with his dad who was an Esso Dealer. He also planned many road trips for us, starting with our honeymoon drive from Edmonton to San Francisco. When the banking economy shutdown came after 2008, Phil reinvented himself utilizing his driving talents for the car auction as well as delivering auto parts. His last two road trips comprised a cross country move from New Jersey to California with his daughter, Julie, and a trip in 2019 with myself and Julie to the Bronx for a heart valve repair.

Phil was not someone who loved to study, but on his 73rd birthday he wrote and passed his Real Estate License, and joined me in the business. We had more fun than work.

Phil was a history lover from a young age and continued to read history and historical fiction right up until this year. In March he purchased "August 1914" by Solzhenitsyn but never got to begin it. If you are also a history buff, call me as I would be thrilled to pass it on.

Phil served on the FAMB Board of Directors from 1990 to 2008. He was also President of the Central Florida FAMB in 1998.

He was a member of St Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Winter Park

Phil loved First Responders...Police, Firemen, EMT's and would be pleased to have donations sent to any one of these parties. We have chosen the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund. You can donate in his name on the website nleomf.org or by phone 202 737-3400. Phil also loved flowers so if you prefer to send flowers he would also be thrilled.

Phil is honored and loved by myself, Lorraine Hamula: his daughters Lisa (Allen) McAnally of Oviedo and Julie (Martin Mazik) Hamula of Slovakia: his granddaughters Audrey and Lauren; his sister Sherry (Keith) Gwynne, and

nephews Cameron, Ryan and Jordan; many supportive relatives, good friends, favorite dogs, Fifi and Clarke. He was predeceased by his father Walter Hamula, and his mother Jean Hamula.

Memorial and visitation will be held on September 1st beginning at 7:00pm at DeGusipe Funeral Home 9001 Maitland Ave, Maitland, FL, 32751.

For those who wish to attend virtually, beginning at 7:00pm, click on this link to view Phil's services: <https://www.facebook.com/DeGusipeFH>

Funeral Sept 2nd (Julie's birthday) 11:00am at St Margaret Mary Catholic Church, 526 N Park Ave, Winter Park, FL, 32789.

This will be live streamed at 11:00am EST <https://stmargaretmary.org/funeral-mass-livestream/>

Interment 10:00am, Sept 8th at Queen of Angels Cemetery, 1901 Queen of Angels Drive, Winter Park, FL, 32792.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

SEP 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Live Streaming - St. Margaret Mary Church

526 N Park Ave.

Winter Park, FL 32789

<http://stmargaretmary.org/funeral-mass-livestream/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Lorraine- I'm so sorry for your loss-- Phil was a character and I will always remember you guys and the love you had for each other. Be comforted by the life that you shared .*

Diana Harclerode - October 30, 2020 at 07:11 PM

JM

“ *Dear Lorraine,
Sorry to hear about Phil's passing and the years he has suffered. His obituary was done beautifully and brought back many memories we shared with you both in Dallas. We are living in Georgia now, only last night Jim thought about Phil and decided to look him up on the internet and that is how we found his obituary. May he Rest In Peace and may God give you the strength to carry on each day.*

*Jim & Millie McCleary
September 22, 2020*

Jim McCleary - September 22, 2020 at 01:07 PM

BS

“ *Phi was my supervisor in Edmonton back in the 70's. Remember going for coffee with Phil and he having a milkshake. Lots of memories. Phil wouldn't have known this but Paul Robins passed away recently also. to many of the old gang leaving us.*

Barry Sheptycki

Barry Sheptycki - September 18, 2020 at 11:04 PM

DD

“ I grew up in Thorsby also, Phil was a couple of years older than me and hung out a lot with my older brother Fred. He was always a " cool " guy to be around and really well liked by everyone. I used to love to watch him pitch fastball, the local team would import him for the big tournaments and he had a fastball no one could see let alone hit. Great guy and lots of great memories even though I have been gone from the area for nearly 60 years. RIP old buddy.

*Dennis Dornan
Kamloops , BC*

Dennis Dornan - September 08, 2020 at 05:17 PM

LH

Dennis, thank you for your kind words. Phil loved to talk to old friends and would have enjoyed talking to you.

Lorraine Hamula - September 10, 2020 at 05:50 PM

BH

“ Dear Lorraine & Family,

I'm Rodney Hamula's eldest son, Bryan...we've likely met at Baba & Djajo's farm a time or two. Julia and I have been friends on FB for some time and was saddened to hear the news.

On behalf of Rodney's extended family (myself, Kathy, Michael and Marcia), I would just like to convey our most sincere condolences on Phil's passing.

God Bless!

Bryan, Sally, Nicholas & Ethan Hamula

Bryan Hamula - September 06, 2020 at 12:00 AM

LH

*Bryan, and family, thank you for your support at this time. Blessings to you as well.*Lorraine

Lorraine Hamula - September 10, 2020 at 05:53 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Funeral*



Julia Radosz - September 03, 2020 at 10:22 AM

EH

“ *Emma and Gord Henry purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of Phillip "Phil" Hamula.*



Emma and Gord Henry - September 02, 2020 at 12:02 PM

RH

“ Dear Lorraine and family,

Bev and I are so sorry for the passing of Phil. Our prayers and best wishes are with you at this sorrowful time. It is fond memories I have of Phil when he was growing up in Thorsby. When I came with my parents, Phil's Uncle Willie and Auntie Anne, to Uncle Walter's and Auntie Jean's home in Thorsby, Phil spent time with my brother Rodney and me in the rumpus room over the garage. I don't remember what games we played, but I do remember there was lots of fun and laughter. Phil loved to tease me at Christmas time when we all gathered at Baba's and Dajo's in Edmonton. He and cousin Ronnie would always get myself and Morley and Jerry all excited by telling us they could hear Santa on the roof. We could never hear Santa, but they assured us he was there. Thinking about it now I should have realized then that they were teasing, because we were in the basement, a long way from the roof. Unfortunately because Phil was older than me he moved on to the business world and we didn't see each other that often. But he was a friendly person with a mischievous smile and laugh and I enjoyed his company whenever we did connect. He was a great cousin who liked my dad a lot which I found out from my dad before he passed was probably because Dad was one of his go to bootleggers in Phil's teen years. Lorraine and family please accept our condolences. May God bless you all.

Cousin Ray and Bev Hamula

Ray Hamula - September 01, 2020 at 10:49 PM

LH

Ray and Bev, I love the way you describe Phil and the fun he had teasing you all. It's a shame time takes us away to another part of the world and we lose touch, but Phil shared many of his memories and foibles with me. He enjoyed having a good time even in his later days. Thank you for your care. Lorraine

Lorraine Hamula - September 10, 2020 at 05:59 PM

RH

“ Dear Lorraine and family

I thank you so very much for arranging the live stream of the prayers and the funeral mass. We obviously could not be with you now during your time of sorrow. But we wish you and your family our deepest regards. I also remember Phil from the earlier days when we were growing up in the Thorsby and Calmar area. Phil was a few years older than me so the times we were at Uncle Walters in Thorsby playing upstairs in the rumpus room or at the cabin at the lake he spent more time with my older brother Rodney than with me. But I tried my best to fit in even though they probably didn't want the little one around bugging them. That really happened on Christmas Eve at Baba's and Dajo's in Edmonton. Phil and older cousin Ronnie would tease the hell out of us in the basement. Their favourite would be pretending that Santa was on the roof of the house. We, the younger ones like Morley and Jerry really believed them.

Again we are very sorry, and please know our prayers are with you, the family, and of course for the soul of Phil.

God bless you all.

Cousin Ray and Bev Hamula

Raymond Hamula - September 01, 2020 at 08:38 PM

LR

“ Our deepest sympathies and Gods blessings, on the passing of Phillip, to you Lorraine and your family

Phillip was a great friend and companion during the early years of our lives(the wild and carefree years).

Looking back to the earliest years, I remember one summer when I was invited by Jean and Walter to their farm for a week. I think I was 9 or 10 years old and Phil was 4 or 5. Jean told me to look after Phillip and not to stray too far away. Phillip had a tricycle so we would venture out on this dirt road towards the next farm about a half a mile away. It was exciting for both of us...,like an adventure to a strange land. I think we pretended to be explorers. This one time we must has been gone too long because Jean came looking for us....I got a real scolding from Jean.

Phil and I hung around with one another in our later years and managed to get into our share of troubles around Pigeon Lake/the cabin; even at the University of Alberta. We drank some wine and chase some girls(we didnt catch any).

We got older not necessarily wiser....but those were our learning years. As we can see not all fell on deaf ears.

Eventually we went our separate ways.....found the right girl...both Lorraine??? How great was that. We have been blessed.

You and your family stay safe during these trying times in our lives.

May God walk with you and your family and comfort you.

Henry and Lorraine Radosh(Radosz)

Lorraine Radosh - September 01, 2020 at 06:46 PM

LH

Thank you Henry and Lorraine. Phil was blessed to have an uncle as you. My blessings are being sent back to you. Lorraine

Lorraine Hamula - September 10, 2020 at 06:04 PM

JD

“*Sorry to hear of Phil's passing, my deepest sympathy to the family. I will share a fond memory of the kind, thoughtful man Phil was. Years ago when Phil was visiting his parents at Salem Manor Nursing Home in Leduc, Alberta, he stopped by to say "Hello" to my mother (Phil's aunt) Jean Pinkoski. This thrilled my mom as her room was the other end of the bldg. from his parents so he had to go out of his way to stop by. This thoughtful actt of kindness brighten up mom's day. This small gesture was so appreciated. Shows the kind of man Phil was.....Rest in Peace Phil.*

*Cousin,
Judy Davis,
Edmonton, Alberta*

Judy Davis - September 01, 2020 at 03:58 PM

LH

*Judy, I remember this. Phil was so very loved, and he brought great joy to many. I am so glad that it meant that much to Jean. It reminds us all of the little acknowledgements that others enjoy. Blessings to you.
Lorraine*

Lorraine Hamula - September 10, 2020 at 06:08 PM

L?

“ Love Teresa, Terry and Family ?? purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Phillip "Phil" Hamula.



Love Teresa, Terry and Family ?? - September 01, 2020 at 01:44 PM

LP

“ Dear Lorraine and Family:

Very sorry to hear of Phil's passing. Please accept our deepest condolences. When we think of Phil, there are so many memories going back to Thorsby. We used to spend a lot of time at Uncle Walter and Aunt Jean's place and at the lake. We also roomed together at our grandparents place in Edmonton. Phil was always our role model. He started in the finance and so did I. Actually, we had a lot in common besides being cousins.

This, no doubt, is a very difficult time for you and your beautiful family. Please take some comfort in knowing that there are many of us who share your loss.

Love,

*From Cousins,
Larry and Valerie Pinkoski
Calmar, AB*

Larry and Valerie Pinkoski - September 01, 2020 at 02:30 AM

LH

Larry and Valerie. Your reminder that others share our loss, helps us to move forward and cherish the beautiful memories. Thank you so much for sharing this.

Lorraine Hamula - September 10, 2020 at 06:12 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Phillip "Phil" Hamula.*



August 31, 2020 at 04:01 PM

CF

“ *Colleen, Harold and family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Phillip "Phil" Hamula.*



Colleen, Harold and family - August 31, 2020 at 01:45 PM

MH

“ *Milton Hopkins purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Phillip "Phil" Hamula.*



Milton Hopkins - August 31, 2020 at 12:54 PM



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Julia Radosz - August 31, 2020 at 10:54 AM



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Julia Radosz - August 31, 2020 at 10:53 AM



Beautiful--- Brings back many memories of the cousin we had and moved away on us. some 40 years ago. Thank- you for sharing Phil's life .I still have Phillip's letter he sent when the Hamula Reunion was being organized in 1998. Also have some memories when visiting the farm in Thorsby. Thank- You for the memories.-- Loretta

Loretta Senio - cousin - September 01, 2020 at 03:46 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Phillip "Phil" Hamula.*



August 31, 2020 at 10:51 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Phillip "Phil" Hamula.*



August 30, 2020 at 08:31 AM



“ *So sorry to hear! I remember a lot of great times with FAMP! Rest in Peace!*

Terri Koubek - August 29, 2020 at 07:25 PM



“ *Dave & Nancy Mikels, Kim & David purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Phillip "Phil" Hamula.*



Dave & Nancy Mikels, Kim & David - August 29, 2020 at 11:38 AM