



## Philip G Karrandja

September 10, 1945 - April 6, 2022

Philip G. Karrandja was born on September 10, 1945 in Detroit to Gregory P. and Sophia Karrandja. Philip passed away on Wednesday, April 6, 2022 after a short illness in Charlotte, North Carolina at the age of 76. Phil was a very proud US Army veteran serving our country and earning the Army Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. Following his honorable discharge from the Army Philip finished his education earning his bachelor's degree in accounting. Philip entered the workforce taking a position with Schwartz Industries, a leading provider for the Aerospace industry. Philip quickly rose through the ranks of the employees at Schwartz and became a member of their Executive Management team in 1976. Philip and his business partner, Terry Tomayko, purchased Schwartz Industries in the late 1980's and held his ownership position until his retirement in 2001. Philip is the beloved husband of Lois. Loving father of Jason Karrandja, Matt (Cindy) Karrandja, and Andrew Karrandja. Very proud grandpa of Maddie, Annie, and Noah. Dearest brother of Millie (the late Daniel) Jones and the late Don (the late Karin) Karafil. Visitation Tuesday 2-8 PM with a 6 PM Evening service and sharing of memories with US Military Honors at the Wasik Funeral Home 49150 Schoenherr Rd. (n. of 22 Mile Road), Shelby Twp. In lieu of floral tributes please take the opportunity to make a donation in Philip's memory to C.S.D.D. Life Enrichment Academy 5225 22 Mile Road, Shelby Twp., MI 48317 or to Shelby Township Parks and Rec. 14975 21 Mile Road, Shelby

Township, MI 48315 (please include 'special rec' in the memo line).

**\*\*Please note that Philip's Military honors, prayer service and sharing of memories will be livestreamed here on the Wasik Funeral Home website beginning shortly before 6 PM on Tuesday April 12.\*\***

# Cemetery Details

## Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road  
Holly, MI 48442

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 12. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township  
49150 Schoenherr Rd.  
Shelby Township, MI 48315  
(586) 532-8600  
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## Funeral Service

APR 12. 6:00 PM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township  
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Shelby Township, MI 48315  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Wasik Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Philip G Karrandja*



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**Wasik Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 12, 2022 at 05:19 PM

FJ

“ *I have been a physician at my office for eighteen years and in that span of time I have never met a more kind hearted...loving...and family orientated human being. He will forever be remembered as one of my best friends. May God bless his whole family and may he be in eternal peace now.*

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**Frank A. DiPonio Jr.** - April 12, 2022 at 10:55 PM

LC

“ Phil's death understandably has brought tears and sadness to his family, including those of us decades removed from our shared time together in Detroit and surrounding communities. In recognition of just how fragile and precious is the gift of life, I give thanks for Phil's life of purpose and generosity, for his loving service to so many I held and yet hold dear.

*As children and young adults on the East Side, West Side, and glamorous neighborhoods to the north and west, first cousin Lois and I had a special bond. Not only in giving her big brother Jerry a hard time when we could, but in our deep love for and loyalty to my sister Renee. Lois meant the world to Renee, which meant that her knight in shining armor had better well ... shine. And so he did.*

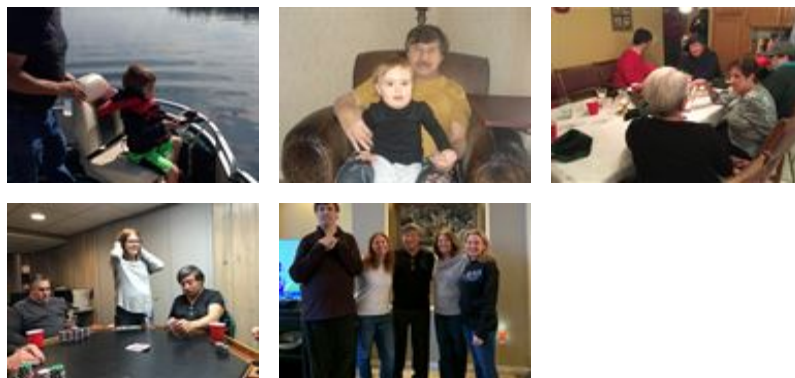
*Phil Karrantja was a successful entrepreneur with considerable professional chops. OK, good start. But what I most admired in my new cousin-in-law was total selflessness when it came to Lois, Andrew, and his inlaws, who also were very special to Barbara and me. A man of integrity, a model of generosity has left this world a humbler place. RSVP.*

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**Lou Cartier** - April 12, 2022 at 06:19 PM



“ 147 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Wasik Funeral Home, Inc.** - April 12, 2022 at 02:16 PM

GS

“ There are no words to express the sadness and loss that John and I are feeling.

*Phil was a good husband, a good father and grandfather but he was also a good friend. We will always remember his contagious smile and generous person that he was.*

*He always treated John and I like members of his family.*

*We love you Philip "with one L" Karrandja and you will be greatly missed.*

*Till we meet again  
With Love and Friendship  
Ginger and John*

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**Ginger/John Scigiel** - April 11, 2022 at 07:10 PM

MJ

“ When i was a shy young girl dating Roy Jr in high school we went to your home for Christmas and Uncle Phil welcomed me with open arms, making me smile and laugh. Over the 37 yrs of marriage he always was kind and welcoming. Always had a story and laugh for me. He will truly be miss! He was a Great husband, dad, grandpa, uncle and friend. May God be with you all.

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**Mary (Sabo) Jaissle** - April 10, 2022 at 11:06 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Philip G Karrandja.



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April 10, 2022 at 01:54 PM

TP

“ My deepest condolences ....he was a generous and kind man and I know he was the “love of your life”. May God bless you and your family during this difficult time.

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**Teresa Pode** - April 10, 2022 at 10:51 AM

CC

“ I know he was the love of your life. And you were his. This is heartbreaking. Love to you all.

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**Cousin Claudia** - April 10, 2022 at 10:05 AM

RJ

“ The Jolet families want to offer our deepest sympathy to this loving family. Our son Joe loved him deeply and had the highest regards for Phil  
And his entire family. We will hold your family in our prayers .

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**Robert and Marilyn Jolet** - April 09, 2022 at 09:13 PM