



## Philip Jeffries

October 23, 1940 - January 29, 2021

GREENFEILD – Philip Leonard Jeffries was born on the family farm near Fountaintown in Shelby County, Indiana on October 23, 1940. He passed to his Heavenly reward on January 29, 2021 at Springhurst in Greenfield. He was the son of Leonard and Mavern Wickliff Jeffries. He was a 1958 graduate of Wilkinson High School and attended Purdue University. Phil married Nila Paxton on July 2, 1961 in Madison County.

Phil previously worked for the Indiana State Highway Dept. Later he became a computer programmer/analyst for Indiana Farm Bureau Insurance. He also worked for Service Supply and Red Ball, where he retired. Phil was a fourth-generation member of Shiloh Christian Church. He served many roles there as a Teacher, Sunday School Superintendent, Deacon, and Elder. Phil enjoyed reading and traveling.

Phil is survived by his wife, Nila Paxton Jeffries; sons, Brian (Karen) Jeffries and Todd (Robin) Jeffries; grandchildren, Ashley (Brady Bostic), Caleb (Kimberly Wedinger), Emily (Austin Bowling), and Erin (Jimmy Vettters); sister, Norma Jean Smith; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, and brother-in-law, E. Marcus Smith.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, February 3, 2021, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Erlewein Mortuary & Crematory, 1484 W. US Hwy. 40, Greenfield, IN 46140. A funeral service will take place immediately following the visitation at 1:00 p.m. Pastor Fred Girdwood will be officiating. Burial will follow at Park Cemetery in Greenfield. As a reminder, the government mandate requires guests to wear masks when inside our building. We must limit the number of guests at a time and please practice social distancing.

The family invites you to watch a recording of Phil's funeral service via this Zoom link:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/KtOdSH1aHjr-](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/KtOdSH1aHjr-RJIrHUOqUWVu9A8hDk_Y_NtMITPIgDCK-iNe2AeHatowby12LkPV.3COroahy2oYJ0Pqg)

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Memorial contributions may be made by mail to Shiloh Christian Church, 4980 S. 500 E., Greenfield, IN 46140 or envelopes will be available at the mortuary. Friends may share a memory or condolence at [www.erleweinmortuary.com](http://www.erleweinmortuary.com).

# Cemetery

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## Park Cemetery

621 South State Street  
Greenfield, IN, 46140

# Events

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**FEB** **Visitation** 11:00AM - 01:00PM

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Erlewein Mortuary & Crematory - Greenfield  
1484 West US Highway 40, Greenfield, IN, US, 46140

**FEB** **Funeral Service** 01:00PM

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1484 West US Highway 40, Greenfield, IN, US, 46140

# Comments

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“ To Nila and Family,  
Phillip was a friend of mine. We were members of the 1958 graduation class. We both Marched in the band. We attended many class parties and functions. Phillip introduced me to reading western mysteries. It was my intro to my reading fiction for fun. WE also collaborated drawing plans for construction of homes etc. He wanted to be an architect in those days. We attended the junior prom together and several movies. We are pictured in the senior year book as the most talkative, which was probably true. In all we were good friends and I will miss him.

My sympathies are with all of you.

Sincerely, Frances Reger Inbody

**Frances Reger Inbody** - February 05 at 08:43 AM

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“ Mary and I didn't get to know Phil until the family reunion we attended in 2017. It was so great to meet my cousin, Phil and all the Jeffries family that I didn't know that I had. I just wish we could have met everyone sooner. That reunion was so much fun, and here is a photo of Brian, Phil, Me, and Todd. As someone else pointed out he was a special man who raised such a good and Christian family.



**Jim Jeffries** - February 02 at 06:08 PM

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“ Phil and Nila were committed to attending the events and activities of their grandchildren. I know because I was at some of the same events. Good people!

Patty Sullivan

**Patricia Sullivan** - February 02 at 05:51 PM

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“ My sincere condolences to Phil's family. I worked with Phil at Service Supply. He was genuine guy. He was always helpful and pleasant. I teased Phil about his every day lunch of Buddig beef sandwiches on white bread. He took it all in stride, just chuckled. Great guy.

**Cheryl Willoughby** - February 02 at 01:22 PM

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“ My thoughts are with whole family during this time. I always appreciated Phill's kindness each time I saw him. Was so happy that my mom and him went zip lining.  
Dale spegal

**Dale spegal** - February 02 at 12:38 PM

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“ Nannie Phillips Alldredge lit a candle in memory of Philip Jeffries



**Nannie Phillips Alldredge** - February 02 at 11:53 AM

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“ Sarah Kelley lit a candle in memory of Philip Jeffries



**Sarah Kelley** - February 02 at 09:44 AM

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“ I'm So Sorry to hear the loss of Phil, I have know him for most of my life and spent a lot of time with him at church, He was a very sweet and caring soul, as is his son Todd that I have also known for several years. He will be dearly missed , I'm sure there will be a great void in there family. But they will have piece in knowing he is with his maker and no longer in pain.  
Peace be with you all.



**Joy Rodich** - February 01 at 10:19 AM

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“ Wonderful memories of the Class of 1958, Wilkinson High School and all of our class memories. Missing many

**Mike Allford** - January 31 at 09:02 AM

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“ Todd & Robin,

So sorry for your loss but Dad's gain! I am praying for you all as I know the transition is hard. May God's love and peace fill you as you celebrate your father.

**Cheri Cole** - January 31 at 07:37 AM

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“ Nils, Brian, Todd and families,  
So sorry you have lost such a special man. Though I didn't really know Phil I know he was a good man because I know the special family he nurtured. I do have one anecdote shared by Nola. When Todd was a youngster he used gel on his hair to tame the curl. His hair was so light the green DippityDo colored his hair. Phil being the loving father he was went shopping to find Todd yellow gel. That's a loving dad. I carry your family in my heart and send love and prayers.

**Nicky Ray** - January 30 at 08:26 PM