



Denis Phillips 1938-2024

Denis Ray Phillips, 85, passed away February 21, 2024. Born December 13, 1938, to Marvin and Madeline Phillips. Denis was the oldest of four children and the consummate big brother. Denis attributed his mother with getting him started in art; she mail-ordered drawing instructions and entered him into competitions found on matchbook covers, uncovering his gift of art and ultimately his lifelong passion. He graduated from Olympus High School and in 1957 joined the US Coast Guard the same year, which took him to Alameda Island in the Bay Area of California for 6 months of boot-camp training followed by once yearly 2-week reserve duty for the following 6 years. Denis graduated from the University of Utah with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1962.

Soon after graduation from school, Denis opened the Art and Sign Company. Working as a sign-painter, he created (and Albertson's), which remained one of his trademark skills. In addition, he and lifelong friend, Ron Williams, started The Good and Beautiful Shop in the 9th and 9th neighborhood, creating hand-crafted custom leather saddles. For two years, Denis also taught painting at the University of Utah Fine Arts Department. Although he did consider teaching as a possible career path, he knew that creating art was his passion and he went on to become one of Utah's most revered and prolific painters.

In 1963 he met his future life partner, Bonnie Gile, where they were each leaving adolescent studio spaces in the same building. Shortly thereafter, in 1965, together they founded Phillips Gallery. Utah's first art gallery bringing contemporary art to the intermountain west. Denis and Bonnie moved to Nevada and were married in the Elko County courthouse on September 11, 1966. They had two sons Benjamin Dotti (1969) and Adam Burke (1971).

In the early days of Phillips Gallery, located on the northwest corner of 9th and 9th, Denis and Bonnie worked alongside their many artist friends, selling their respective works. While holding space for local artists, Phillips Gallery hosted many events promoting anti-war and other important social causes. These gatherings showcased alternative films which collectively engaged the local community. Denis and Bonnie were active in the Peace and Freedom Party in Utah. In 1968, Phillips Gallery relocated to its current home at 444 East 2000 South.

Each summer the gallery would close its doors so the Phillips family could travel around the west, camping and painting. Denis would plein-air paint throughout those late summer travels in Idaho, Utah and West Virginia. He also painted and produced watercolor landscapes. The children, Ben and Adam, when not shooting BB guns, bicycling or fishing, were also exposed to outdoor landscape painting. Denis and Bonnie would paint alongside their parents. Those summer trips resulted in some of Denis's most iconic works of oil-on-canvas landscapes that became among Denis' best-known art styles from the late '70s through the mid 80's. During one of those summer adventures, Denis and Bonnie bought a house in Park, Idaho, which provided a summer home enjoyed by both family and friends for years to come.

Denis's art styles ranged from large scale symmetrical abstract works, plein-air realistic landscapes, colorful abstract landscapes and most recently his platter series that were both rich in color and experimental in painting surface. He dabbled in any medium that caught his fancy, including small playful sculptural pieces often involving dried plant brushes affixed to various surfaces. Denis remained a prolific painter and creator throughout his life. He somehow managed to delight his audience with almost everything he produced. His wife Bonnie and their son Ben continue to own and operate the Gallery.

Denis was also a musician. He played the piano, guitar, ukulele and found time to compose and record new age music. Golf was a passion. On beautiful days, he could be found skipping work to go "hit some balls."

Denis was a man of few words, yet once engaged, his discerning opinions were valuable insights that cut to the chase. His advice to artists was always "keep going, make more and don't worry about it too much." Denis did things his own way, was independent and loving, stubborn and generous, a good friend with a truly beautiful soul.

He is survived by his wife Bonnie; son, Ben; sister, Patricia (Dolly) Larsen granddaughters, Rosie, Joan, Lily, daughter-in-law, Lisa Phillips and Lisa's daughter, Taylor. He is preceded in death by his son Adam, and his brothers, Terry and Roger. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to a local charitable and/or educational arts organization. We would like to send our gratitude to our family, friends, gallery employees and artists who have expressed their sympathies and support. A memorial and celebration of life will be announced at a later date at www.denisphilips.com.

Photo by Simon Blundell

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Jon Henry

1953 - 2024

Jon Henry, 70, of Salt Lake City, Utah, passed away unexpectedly on May 4, 2024. He was born on June 26, 1953, in Salt Lake City, Utah to Edward Charles Henry and Verla Kay Henry. Please help us celebrate Jon's life on June 8, 2024, from 4-6 PM at Star's Funeral Parlor, 3651 South 900 East in Salt Lake City, UT. Guests are encouraged to use parking and entrance located on the north side of the building. The family also invites anyone who would like to attend will come help them celebrate Jon and the legacy he created in the Utah motorcycle industry.

In lieu of flowers, please share watercolor, memories and photos with Jon's family. In memory of Jon, his family hopes you'll enjoy riding your motorcycle, ATV, UTV, boat, or anything in the great outdoors. Please visit www.StarsFuneral.com to view an extended version of the obituary.

Elizabeth "Betty" Chenoweth 1934 - 2024

Murray, UT - Betty passed on February 16, 2024. See a full detail obituary at <https://www.serenityfunerals.com/obituaries/Elizabeth-Chenoweth/91/>. Obituary Please view the video. A celebration of life is planned for June 8th, 2024 at the Intermountain Baptist Church, at 4770 S 1950 W Taylorsville, Utah 84129 From 2 to 4pm.

Marilyn Burgess Preece 1948 - 2024

Marilyn Burgess Preece peacefully passed away at the age of 76 on May 20, 2024 at her home in West Valley City, Utah.

Marilyn was born to Emmett William and Marion Ruth Burgess on February 23, 1948 in Salt Lake City, Utah. She was one of four children, her sisters Susan and Joan, and her brother, Bill.

Marilyn spent most of her early life in Utah and graduated from Utah Technical College in Nursing with her LPN. She moved to Rockville, Maryland in the early 1970's and found herself living in Kearneysville, West Virginia before returning to Utah in the late 70's. She practiced nursing most of her life before retiring from it and working for the Utah Housing Authority, where she met Perry Dick Preece. The two married in 1998, living above the capitol in Salt Lake City before settling in West Valley City, Utah. They enjoyed their time together, especially with family and friends. She was the life of the party even if she didn't realize it. Marilyn was a free spirit and lived life her way. She loved traveling around Utah and the West Coast. She enjoyed camping trips, Hoop Lake in the Uintas and traveling along the West Coast through Oregon and Northern California, visiting friends and family. Marilyn especially loved visiting Moab, Utah. She loved the warm weather, but it was the Native American culture found around Moab that she loved the most. She also had a passion for shoes and jewelry, especially silver and turquoise jewelry.

Marilyn is survived by her husband Dick, sister, Susan Ott (Bob Heitcamp), brother, Bill Burgess (Kella), daughter, Lisa Rock, daughter's mother-in-law Marilyn Halton, sons, Darin Moyer, Richard Preece, Robert Preece, Steven Preece (Jennifer), grandchildren, Nate Rock (Jordyn), Nicholas Halton, Matthew Halton, Dustin Gaurt, Quentin Preece, and Rachel Bice. She is also survived by many more relatives and good friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister, Joan Hansen, daughter, Pam Preece, and son-in-law, Mike Halton.

A celebration of life will be on Monday, June 3 from 6-8 PM at Star's Funeral Parlor, 3651 South 900 East, Salt Lake City, UT. Guests are encouraged to use parking and entrance located on the north side of the building.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Star's Funeral Parlor. Please visit www.StarsFuneral.com to share photos and memories with Marilyn's family.

Adam Phillips 1971-2024

Adam Burke Phillips passed away on February 15, 2024, at the age of 52, in Millerville, Utah. Born on May 17th, 1971, in Salt Lake City, Utah, Adam was raised in the Lower Avenues of Salt Lake City. He married Lisa on October 4th, 1999. Adam's happiest times and accomplishments included his artistic studies involving various art mediums including painting on furniture, clothing, shoes, leather, rug bracelets and belts. In his youth, Adam worked at Phillips Gallery making frames and taking the time to draw.

After attending the West Culinary Institute in Portland, Oregon, Adam worked as a chef in various restaurants in the Salt Lake Valley and cooking remained one of his life's passions. He really enjoyed making people laugh and putting a smile on their faces by telling jokes. He was known as a long-time "Joke-Master." Adam made friends easily.

We witnessed so many times in Adam's life when he endeavored to do the right thing and live by doing it. His drawings reflect that exploration. Also, Adam had a great tattoo on his back from shoulder to shoulder in beautiful calligraphy and it is the words "forgiveness." We will miss his love and his smile.

He is survived by his wife Lisa, and Lisa's daughter Taylor, who Adam loved and raised as his own, parent: Bonnie and Denis (Denis passed away the following week), older brother Benjamin, nephews and nieces, Aaron, Jon, Rosie and Lily. He is preceded in death by his grandparents Marvin and Peggy Phillips and June Dooly Porter. We would like to send our love and appreciation to friends, gallery employees and artists who have expressed their sympathies and support. Services will be announced at a later date.

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Lana Arlene Troyer 1946 - 2024

Our Beautiful Mother, Lana Arlene Troyer, passed away on May 27, 2024 at the age of 77 in West Jordan, Utah. She was born on June 14, 1946 in Salt Lake City, Utah to Howard and Margaret Anville Turnbow. Lana married Joseph Troyer in 2005 and had ten wonderful years together. Lana loved animals, reading books, shopping, and old movies. She shared her home with the feral cats and loved them all, everyone of them had a name. Lana is survived by her son Michael (Paula Bassett), daughters Rebecca (Hal) Crew, Cindy (Dutch) Cassidy, Wendy (Dan) Fletcher, 13 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, all whom she loved dearly.

She is preceded in death by her husband Joseph; daughter Lori; brother-in-law, mother Anville, brothers Jimmy, Danny, sisters Linda and Sherry. The family would like to thank Serenity Hospice and her loving nurses for their care and support for her.

Funeral services will be held on Wednesday, June 5, 2024 at 2:00 PM at Memorial Redwood Mortuary, 6500 South Redwood Road, West Jordan, Utah. You may visit with the family at a viewing prior to services from 12:00 to 1:45 PM. Interment following services at Memorial Redwood Cemetery, 6500 South Redwood Road, West Jordan, Utah.

Warren Craig Eby 1945-2024

Saratoga Springs, UT - Warren "Craig" Eby passed away in his sleep Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at the age of 78 while recovering at Pointe Meadows Rehab Center from a stroke he suffered on April 9, 2024.

Craig was born the youngest of 7 children to Dexter James and Anita Forbes Eby. His mother lovingly called him "Craigie Baby".

Craig is survived by his completely devoted and loving wife Sandra Jean, his three daughters Allison (Nate) Barry, Lauren Cooper and Alissa (Curtis) Allen, his 13 grandchildren (5 married spouses) and 5 great, 6 great-grandchildren (11 of whom surely was there to greet him at his passing), and a host of others whom he considered daughters and grandchildren.

He welcomed and loved them all.

Craig grew up in Salt Lake City, Utah. He attended Granite High School where he met his sweetheart, Sandra Jean Andersen. After high school, he enlisted in the Marines where he was with their growing family and enjoyed raising their children. He was injured while on patrol. During this experience, he also saved a comrade. Upon his return from Vietnam, he married his love, Sandra on June 2, 1966 in Salt Lake City, UT. They moved to Southern California to complete a 1 service. They made their home and life there for the next 40+ years where they raised their 3 daughters. Craig worked in the brokerage industry where he met some wonderful friends whom he & Sandra would raise their children with and remain lifelong friends. Craig had a wonderful voice and loved singing and dancing on off stages. He was involved in community there. He loved raising his daughters and being involved in their lives.

On May 25, 2022, after much pondering, prayer and a few life tweeks, he took his sweetheart and their 3 daughters to the Los Angeles Temple to make covenants that would seal his dear family together forever and into eternity. This was a choice he valued and treasured above anything else. On May 25, 2006, he and Sandra moved to Saratoga Springs, Utah to be with their growing family and enjoy and raise grandchildren. His grandchildren referred to him as DanDan (Granddad) and so did everyone else from then on. Being with his grandchildren was the best for him. Watching them in all their various activities and sports, working with them in the yard, teaching them life lessons, accompanying them to school and church activities, sharing a meal, slipping them a \$20 (or maybe that was mom) or snuggling in his chair gave him life. He absolutely adored his grandchildren and when the great grandchildren came along, the adoration continued with them.

Craig loved to putter and be in his beautiful yard, something he really missed being able to do in his later years. Cats have 9 lives so maybe he was a bit of a feline survivor. After Orange, being blown up in Vietnam, prostate cancer, and diabetes, Craig was hit hard by Covid in Sept. of 2020 when, on recovering, he was welcomed back home with a soldiers parent Orange. Although Craig had health challenges that were really hard, what was never a challenge was his heart. His heart was big, healthy and functioning and that's how he lived his life, with his heart, big and healthy and functioning for as long as his body allowed.

We thought we were prepared for his passing since this wasn't the first time we thought we might lose him, but the hole in our hearts is BIG and oh how we miss him already. We are grateful his body is whole, free of pain and no longer tethered to oxygen. His legs are healthy and he won't have to be tethered to oxygen. He will miss us too but we will be together again because of covenants made and surely he went to heaven dancing and singing. We will treasure the life lessons DanDan taught each of us collectively as well as individually. We will go into the world and love BIG, like he always did. A Celebration of Life will be held on June 22, 2024.

Connie Manwill 1938 - 2024

Connie Brinton Manwill was born October 13, 1938 in Salt Lake City and passed away on May 28, 2024 surrounded by her loving family.

She was married to Pat Manwill in the Salt Lake City Temple, and together they had 5 children: Todd (Sylvia), Cory (Lisa), Jody (Shawn), Heidi (Dave) and Joel (Alicia). Paul preceded her in death. She had 21 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren, with 2 more on the way.

A funeral service will be held on Monday, June 3rd at 10:00 am at the Kays Creek Ward chapel located at 2435 E. Canyon Rim Dr. Salt Lake City, UT 84040. A viewing will be held on Sunday, June 2nd from 6:00-8:00 pm and before the funeral on Monday from 9:00-9:45 am at the same location. Interment at the Memorial Lakeview cemetery in Bountiful.

See the full obituary at: <https://www.memorialutah.com/memorial-lakeview-mortality-and-cemetery-obituaries>

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