



## Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick

September 26, 1958 - May 28, 2017

Phillip Neil Hardwick, 58, lost his battle with COPD on May 28, 2017, at Christus St. Patrick Hospital in Lake Charles, LA.

Phillip was born in Aiken, SC, on September 26, 1958. He was the son of Nathan E. Hardwick II of Albany, GA, and Nancy J. Knight of Albany, GA. He is survived by siblings Nathan E. Hardwick III of Glendale, AZ, Jackie (Russ) Youngblood of Shalimar, FL, and Michael D. Hardwick of Albany, GA. He is predeceased by his sister, Donna K. Whitmore of Brunswick, GA.

Phillip spent his adult life travelling to many parts of the U.S., working as a crane operator. Greatly respected in his profession for his proficiency and experience, Phillip was very proud of his work abilities and always said, "The proof is in the pudding." He was quick-witted and bright with a love of people and family. He also had a great sense of humor and loved to give nicknames to those around him.

Phillip loved the University of Georgia Bulldogs and looked forward to football season each year. He shared this love with his mother, who was also an avid fan. NASCAR, too, was one of his favorite pastimes. He relished the holidays spent with siblings, nieces, and nephews. He enjoyed spending time with the children, whether making up songs with the great-nephews (sons of nephew, Phillip (Jamie) Lovett) or going to the beach or out on the boat with great-nephew and great-nieces (children of nephews, Jonathan (Deidre) Price and Joshua (Kierstin) Price). He considered the home of his sister, Jackie, as his home base and loved sitting outside, looking at the water.

Phillip spent time with each sibling during various seasons of his life, in AZ with Nathan and his children, April (Aaron) Kline, Jessica Hardwick, Mary Hardwick and Nate Hardwick and with his brother, Michael (Pam), and his daughters, Mandy (Jon) Gray and Tara (James) Gray. Most recently, he spent time with Michael, enjoying some downtime before his last job in Lake Charles, LA. He loved every moment spent relaxing and visiting with friends. Phillip fought demons throughout his life, but the most persistent was his battle with tobacco. This was the final fight that took his life. In recent years, he struggled to breathe, yet continued to work at a high level. We mourn our brother, uncle, cousin and friend. He leaves a hole in the hearts of those who loved him. Phillip would want to acknowledge his appreciation of organizations from whom he received assistance during his life, including the Salvation Army and Waterfront Mission (Ft. Walton Bch., FL). He made lifelong friends within these and, from them, gained inspiration and found healing. Phillip loved the Word of God, the devotion times, and Bible study.

The family thanks all those who circled Phillip with prayers and healing thoughts during his final illness.

Kimbrell-Stern is handling the arrangements for Phillip. Visitation will be held on Friday, June 2, 2017 at Kimbrell-Stern, 1503 Dawson Rd., Albany, GA, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Services will be held Saturday, June 3rd, 2017 at the chapel at Crown Hill Cemetery, 1907 Dawson Rd., Albany, GA, at 4:00 p.m. A celebration of life will follow at Merry Acres Inn at 1500 Dawson Rd., Albany, GA.

# Cemetery Details

## Crown Hill Mausoleum

1907 Dawson Rd.  
Albany, GA 31707

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 2. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Kimbrell-Stern  
1503 Dawson Road  
Albany, GA 31707  
(229) 883-4152  
<https://www.kimbrellstern.com?>

## Funeral Service

JUN 3. 4:00 PM (ET)

Crown Hill Mausoleum Chapel  
Albany  
GA 31707

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick*

May 22, 2023 at 10:29 AM



“ *Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick*

May 22, 2023 at 01:29 AM



“ *Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick*

December 24, 2022 at 02:54 AM



“ *Renee Bates Howell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick*



**Renee Bates Howell** - September 22, 2017 at 10:54 PM



“ *We love and miss you my friend!*

**Robert Connell** - June 04, 2017 at 04:37 AM

JD

“ Jennifer D Deese lit a candle in memory of Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick



Jennifer D Deese - June 02, 2017 at 08:37 PM

DD

RIP Phillip....you made me smile & laugh many times & I Thank You for that! Denise

Denise Deese - June 02, 2017 at 08:39 PM



“ My friend

Stuart Johnson - June 02, 2017 at 08:35 PM

CB

“ RIP Phillip , go fly high above the crane your work on earth is done my friend



Cissy Singletary Barfield - June 02, 2017 at 10:58 AM

LP

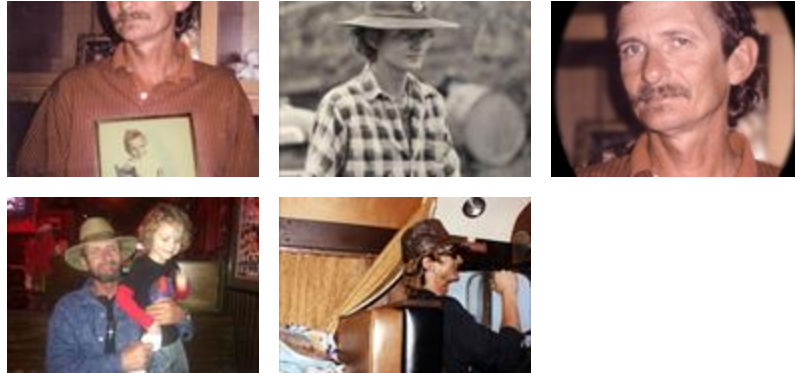
“ LINDA, CHRIS AND ROBIN POWELL purchased the Garden of Serenity Bouquet for the family of Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick.



LINDA, CHRIS AND ROBIN POWELL - June 02, 2017 at 10:24 AM

JY

“ 7 files added to the album Phillip-a lifetime of memories



Jackie Hardwick Youngblood - June 01, 2017 at 10:53 PM

KP

“ Kim Etheredge Price lit a candle in memory of Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick



Kim Etheredge Price - June 01, 2017 at 07:47 PM

KP

Phillip and I were very good friends back in our early teens. I ran into him a time or two years later on a couple of jobs and he hadn't changed much at all, he was funny and friendly as can be. He was one h\*\*\* of a crane operator. RIP my old friend until we meet again.

Kim Etheredge Price - June 01, 2017 at 07:54 PM

DJ

“ Diane Judy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick



Diane Judy - June 01, 2017 at 08:54 AM

SB

“ *Sherry Bryant lit a candle in memory of Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick*



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**sherry bryant** - June 01, 2017 at 07:20 AM

RB

“ *Ruben Barrow purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick.*



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**Ruben Barrow** - May 31, 2017 at 10:16 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mr. Phillip Neil Hardwick.*



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May 31, 2017 at 09:18 PM



“ Phillip stayed with my husband David and I for a few months about 6 years ago. It had been years since we had talked to Phillip and thanks to Facebook we reconnected. He had not changed one bit! Same sense of humor, same love of music and love of friends and family but often spoke of the love of Jesus Christ! I'm fortunate to have been a friend of Phillips and will never forget him. We both loved the song *What A Wonderful World...* and the world was much more colorful with Phillip in it!

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**Cathy Massengill** - May 31, 2017 at 08:21 PM