



## Phillips M Huston

April 11, 1923 - May 6, 2015

Phillips Huston died May 6, 2015. He was 92.

Phil was born in Indianapolis, April 11, 1923, the son of Francis Phillips and Sylvia Mann Huston. He was educated in the public schools there and graduated from Princeton University. He served in the Army in World War II. He and Ruthann Gephart were married in 1947. They came to Naples in 1990, became full time residents in 1993, and moved to Bentley Village in 2000. They had previously lived in Indianapolis, Ridgewood, NJ, and Weston, Conn.

Phil was a magazine editor, writer, and creator. He held senior editorial positions with The Rough Notes Company, Medical Economics, and Patient Care. His primary audience was physicians. In 1977 he formed an editorial consulting company and helped found four journals. He wrote a business book for physicians and a mystery novel, Alarm Cry that enjoyed modest regional success. Earlier he taught English Composition at the Indianapolis branch of Indiana University.

He was elected to six vestries in various Episcopal parishes and served as a junior and senior warden. He was a delegate to a convention that elected a bishop. The Bishop of Connecticut appointed him to the Diocesan Commission on Ministry. He was a founder of St. Richards Episcopal School

in Indianapolis.

He became an Eagle Scout at age 14, and to “give back something to Scouting” he served as a Scoutmaster of an inner-city troop in Indianapolis.

In Naples, he was co-president with Ruthann of the Naples Chapter (#232) of The Mended Hearts, a support group for people who have had heart surgery. He was formerly a docent at the Nature Conservancy of Southwest Florida. He participated in various activities at Bentley Village and was an active member of St. Mary’s Episcopal Church, Bonita Springs.

Phil is survived by Thomas and his wife Sarah of New Orleans, Anne and her husband John Taussig III of Sammamish, Washington, and Jane of Weston Newton Mass. The grandchildren are Julia Nguyen and her husband Steve, Emily Huston, Kate Wallace and her husband Dr. Michael Wallace, John W. Taussig IV, Charles H. Taussig, Sarah Taussig, and Margaret Huston. The five great grandchildren are Truly, Lily, and Price Nguyen and twins, James and Oscar Wallace. Two nieces also survive. His wife of 64 years Ruthann died in 2011.

A Holy Requiem Eucharist will be celebrated 11:00 AM, Saturday, May 23, 2015 at St. Mary’s Episcopal Church, 9801 Bonita Beach Rd. SE, Bonita Springs, followed by a reception.

Memorial contributions may made to St. Mary’s Episcopal Church Endowment Fund, Alzheimer’s Association, or The Mended Hearts Chapter 232 Naples.

# Previous Events

## Holy Requiem Eucharist

MAY 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary's Episcopal Church  
9801 Bonita Beach Road  
Bonita Springs, FL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Phillips M Huston*

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October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *I knew Phil & Ruthann for many years both as clients and as friends. Phil and I particularly enjoyed discussing the Ivy covered halls at Princeton, as a goodly number of my family attended the University. While I did not attend Princeton, I was a frequent visitor enjoying the "Tigers" play at Palmer Stadium as opportunity permitted. I will miss his good cheer and fine intellect. He cared very deeply for Ruthann and I shared his sadness at her passing in 2011. My sincere condolences to his family.*

*Percy Hill*

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**Percy Hill** - May 23, 2015 at 06:09 AM



“ *From the entire Mended Hearts family I send our sincere condolences to Phillips family. Both he and Ruthann were very important to Chapter 232 of Mended Hearts from the very beginning, and their hard work is being carried on today as they would very much like it to be. We will be forever grateful for what they began with Chapter 232, and indeed accomplished. Our thoughts and many, many good memories are with the entire family.*

*Orland Smith, President Chapter 232*

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**Orland Smith** - May 20, 2015 at 05:36 AM