

Promoted to Heaven



Rev. Philip Hollis

Senior Pastor | Topeka Faith Family Life Centre
April 23, 1950 – March 13, 2015

The primary passion in the life of Phil Hollis centered on knowing and declaring Jesus. Concurrent with that passion, he lived a physically active life. He enjoyed boating, snow and water skiing, racquetball, and annual campouts with his sons and grandsons. He was especially well known as a motorcycle enthusiast. While riding his motorcycle in Topeka this past Friday, at about 1:00 in the afternoon, Pastor Phil Hollis had an accident. He stepped from this earthly life into the unfiltered presence of Jesus and now lives out the fullness of the apostles words, “to live is Christ; to die is gain.”

Pastor Phil’s “gain” registers as a shock and deep loss especially for Sheila, his wife of nearly 44 years. Whether a casual glance or upon close inspection, those that knew him and Sheila saw their marriage as an ever developing love affair. They were married July 9, 1971. Their two sons, Jason and Brandon, and the five grandchildren Phil and Sheila love so dearly, will also count his passing as a significant loss. Their extended family, their local church – Faith Family Life Centre AG, Topeka – and this AGK Network also feel heartbroken at his unexpected passing.

Phil Hollis led his church with great dedication but he also involved himself with the Greater Ministerial Alliance of KC & Western Kansas as a member and as President. Moreover, he found time to serve on the board of First Love Ministries, and he provided pastoral care for Heartland School of Supernatural Ministry and Upper Room Community.

Prior to serving as Faith Family’s lead pastor, he served as associate with his dad, Oliver, for two years. He began service as the lead pastor in 1985. Before Topeka pastoral ministry days, Phil and Sheila pastored in eastern Kansas (Faith

Chapel, Overland Park) and western Kansas (Plainville, First AG.) They also ministered for a year as associate pastor at Seneca AG – now Colonial Heights. While carrying local duties, Phil accepted responsibilities in the wider AGK organization and for 16 years filled the post of Assistant Youth & Christian Education Director.

FAMILY & FRIENDS VISITATION is scheduled a visitation for Tuesday evening, March 17, from 6:00 – 7:30, at Penwell-Gabel Parker-Price Chapel, 245 NW Independence Ave., Topeka.

FUNERAL SERVICES AND CELEBRATION OF HIS LIFE will occur Wednesday morning, 11:00, at Faith Family Life Centre AG, 3710 NW Topeka Blvd., Topeka Kansas.

Per our policy, this office will send a bereavement offering to Sheila and, as always in such circumstances, we encourage others to do the same. If you desire to send a memorial offering, the family designated the local church to receive those. Please mail those and cards of condolence to the church address.

Phil had a winning smile, and I loved his deep, smooth voice. I also appreciated his unwavering conviction. We will miss him. We grieve his passing. However, we do not grieve as those who have no hope! Let's embrace the example of Phil Hollis and live fully until Jesus returns or takes us to Heaven through the doorway of death.

With assurance and hope,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry L. Fancy".

District Superintendent
Kansas Assemblies of God